## **Dementia Care Community**

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## PriDem update



A massive thank you to everyone who came to the DCC meeting on 13th November. At this meeting we reviewed the feedback from the meeting to discuss patient held records in October. This was a great opportunity to hear further from the DCC about the pros and cons of using something like a patient held record, and how this type of tool could support people living with dementia.

During the November meeting, Claire also gave an update on the development of the intervention. We learned that this intervention will include a dementia care facilitator whose role will include building capacity, improving systems and managing complex cases.

## Spotlight



Ester Bellavia is one of the PhD students that are part of the PriDem team. Her work focuses on how best to involve people in dementia research.

As part of her PhD, Ester has observed DCC meetings and reviewed documents relating to the group. She is now discussing her findings with DCC and PriDem team members, and people with experience of involvement in other dementia research. In the next few months, she will be conducting further interviews to explore views on her draft framework. She hopes the framework will support the involvement of people with dementia and family carers throughout a research project.

## Thank you



We hope to see you at the Christmas social on 17th December at 2pm (over Zoom), but would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your contributions to the DCC this year. It has been a challenging year in lots of ways, and we really appreciate your continued commitment to supporting the work of PriDem.

We are putting together a programme of DCC events to begin in the new year, and will be in touch to invite you to take part if you can. We look forward to seeing you in 2021, and wish you all a very merry Christmas, and all the very best for the new year!