

Harjinder Kaur

South Asian Community Engagement Worker, Compton Care

Harjinder Kaur currently works as the South Asian Community Engagement Worker for Compton Care in Wolverhampton, West Midlands. She previously worked as a Community Psychiatric Nurse for Wolverhampton City. In 2001, Harjinder was appointed as the Asian Link nurse with a specialist role to increase contact between specialist old age psychiatry services and older people from Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities. Harjinder has played an important role in disseminating information about dementia and related conditions and in educating the South Asian community and professionals on the help available.

Professionally, she has made remarkable efforts to ensure that the BAME communities residing in Wolverhampton have fair access to services and has consequently increased the diagnosis rates of dementia within these often hidden and marginalised communities. She has now brought these expertise to Compton Care to increase their engagement with the South Asian community of Wolverhampton and support them to provide culturally sensitive and competent care to those living with complex and incurable conditions. She is also a presenter for a local Wolverhampton South Asian radio station and has a weekly 'Health is Wealth' programme by way of further continuing this education and support.

