

## **ASSISTED LIVING – VALIDATING THE TECHNOLOGY ROAD MAP BIRMINGHAM 12 JULY**

### **Introduction**

In November 2006 the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) in collaboration with the Department of Health (DH), held an event to generate a technology road map for future research and development in the area of Assisted Living.

West Midlands Medilink and the Health Technologies KTN are now pleased to be helping the DTI and DH to validate that roadmap.

### **The November 2006 draft road map**

The 2006 event was attended by around 50 leading players with an interest in the future of Assisted Living technology and brought together a strongly interdisciplinary team from the telecare industry, ICT specialists, health professionals, academics and Government officials. It was facilitated by Richard Curry and James Barlow of Imperial College.

### **An Innovation Platform in Assisted Living**

The DTI hosted the event as part of their programme of work developing an Innovation Platform in Assisted Living. The proposed Innovation Platform is the brainchild of the Technology Strategy Board. Innovation platforms are seeking to address Societal Challenges. They can utilise traditional instruments like collaborative R&D funding, but are also interested in the wider innovation agenda including e.g. standards, and are seeking to build bridges between R&D and public procurement.

### **Purpose of the event on 12 July**

In order to test and validate the road map we are looking to invite a different group of interdisciplinary experts from those who attended the November 2006 event, to consider the future technology requirements for assisted living. This will again bring together experts from a number of fields, technologists, health professionals, and social scientists, from industry, academia and Government. You will be given the opportunity to provide input to the future direction of R&D in this important area in the UK, in a structured and facilitated workshop.

### **Next steps**

The 12 July workshop will be closely followed by a workshop on 19 July which will bring together some of the participants from the November 2006 meeting, with some new faces to prioritise future activities of the proposed Innovation Platform. It is anticipated that this will also include some of the participants in the 12 July workshop. It is intended that this priority setting exercise will in turn provide the basis for formulation of a Business Plan outlining the future activities of the Innovation Platform, including its R&D priorities over the next few years.

### **To Register**

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On registration you will be sent a copy of the initial draft road map and an agenda for the day.