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## What's In Your Partners in Care Bulletin?

This weekly bulletin provides details of training, guidance, access to past editions and lots more. There's also helpful information on the web pages dedicated to our Independent Care Provider colleagues across North Yorkshire and York. [Please click here to bookmark these pages](#)

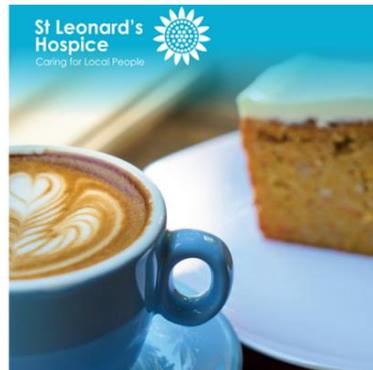


**Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI)  
Statement on COVID-19 Autumn 2023 Vaccination Programme**

The UK COVID-19 vaccination programme is entering its third autumn season in 2023. The primary aim of the programme remains the prevention of severe illness (hospitalisations and deaths) arising from COVID-19. During the current phase of pandemic recovery, and while the virus continues to circulate and cause illness, the objective is to continue to focus the offer of vaccination on those at greatest risk of serious disease and who are therefore most likely to benefit from vaccination. For autumn 2023, JCVI has begun to include cost effectiveness considerations in the development of its advice. JCVI advises that for the 2023 autumn booster programme, the following groups should be offered a COVID-19 vaccine:

- Residents in a care home for older adults
- All adults aged 65 years and over
- Persons aged 6 months to 64 years in a clinical risk group, as defined in tables 3 and 4 of the COVID-19 chapter of the Green book
- Frontline health and social care workers
- Persons aged 12 to 64 years who are household contacts, as defined in the Green book, of people with immunosuppression
- Persons aged 16 to 64 years who are carers, as defined in the Green book, and staff working in care homes for older adults

To find out more please follow this [link](#)



## St Leonard's Hospice Sunflower Wellbeing Hub

If you, or someone you care about, has been diagnosed with a life-limiting illness, The St Leonard's Hospice Sunflower Wellbeing Hub can help. The hub provides expert advice and support covering a range of topics including the impact of a diagnosis on yourself and friends and family, planning for the future and bereavement support. They also run a series of drop in sessions designed to give you the time to talk about your problems and concerns in a safe and relaxed,

environment. This includes a friends and family drop in, a bereavement drop in and wellbeing drop in. Further information on the support available through the hub can be found through this [flyer](#) which can be shared with service users or staff, or through their [website](#).



## York Advocacy Hub Service Overview

Colleagues from York Advocacy Hub attended last week's Care Connected to provide an update on the role of advocacy, and the support that is available through their service. The hub currently provide six different advocacy streams. Statutory Advocacy: **Care Act Advocacy (CAA)**, **Independent Mental Health Advocacy (IMHA)**, **Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy (IMCA)**, **Paid Relevant Person's Representatives (RPR)** and **NHS Complaints Advocacy**. Non statutory: **General Advocacy**.

Further information on when to refer, and how to make a referral are available through the [Care Connected webpage](#). If professionals are unsure about whether they need to refer, the hub are happy to be contacted on 01904 414357 to discuss eligibility



## NHS and Care Volunteer Responders Programme- Your Chance to Find Out More

Join a webinar to find out more about the NHS and Care Volunteer Responders programme and the support available to adult social care providers. The webinars are hosted by the Department of Health and Social Care and the Royal Voluntary Service. You'll hear more about the programme, the volunteer support available to care providers and how to make referrals. You will also be able to ask questions. Various dates are available. [Click here to book your place](#).



## The Power of Registered Manager Networks – Why Should You Join?

**When:** Thursday 14 September 10.30-12.00

Do you know about the Skills for Care registered manager networks and the benefits of attending? Skills for Care are holding a brand-new event this September aimed at managers from adult social care services who do not attend a local network and want to learn more. Skills for Care support over 140 networks across England and at this event, we'll provide more details about how the networks are run, the benefits of attending, and how we continue to raise the profile of registered managers. The event will also include taster sessions where we will talk about topics, issues and challenges that matter to you including recruitment and retention, leadership and management, and good and outstanding provider support.

These local networks are chaired by managers, for managers and they would love you to come along to this event. [Register now to find out more.](#)

## Need to know



**Humber and North Yorkshire**  
Health and Care Partnership

## Savings for You and Your Family This Summer

The ICB have produced a [flyer](#) sharing some great offers and discounts currently available across our area covering eating in, eating out, shopping, days out, back to school and much more. We would encourage providers to share this flyer with their staff.



## Care Connected- Slides from the Meeting

Thank you to all those who joined us last week at Care Connected. The slides from the meeting can be found through this [link](#) along with slides from all previous meetings. Care Connected is open to all care providers and partner organisations from across North Yorkshire and York. The group is facilitated jointly by City of York Council, North Yorkshire Council and NHS Humber and North Yorkshire ICB and designed to help you access the updates relevant to you and your teams from across health and social care in one single place. The meeting takes place through Microsoft Teams every two weeks and the next session will take place on **Wednesday 23 August**.



Care and Support for Life

## Whitby Welcome Wednesdays

**When:** Every Wednesday 1.00-3.00 at Whitby Coliseum.

Dementia Forward host Whitby Welcome Wednesdays, which are a great opportunity chance for people who live with dementia or mild cognitive impairments and their carers to meet up with others, create new friendships and enjoy activities, food and refreshments. A timetable of upcoming events taking place in the coming weeks can be found through this [link](#), which includes virtual walks around Grosmont and the North York Moors, fun games and social opportunities and a visit from the Barley Corn Folk Band. For more information please contact: [info@dementiaforward.org.uk](mailto:info@dementiaforward.org.uk)

## Skills for Care Nursing Network

Skills for Care are working to build an informal network of nurses and nursing associates working in complex home care/domiciliary care. A small group are currently meeting every six weeks to share discussion about good practice and overcoming challenges but also raising the profile of nursing work. They are looking for other nurses or nursing associates working in similar settings and who want to be involved in this group:

Currently meeting dates are:

- Wednesday 23rd August 14:00 -14:45
- Wednesday 20 September 14:30 - 15:15
- Thursday 19th October 13:00 - 13:45
- Thursday 14th December 13:00 - 13:45
- Wednesday 24th January 14:00-14:45
- Wednesday 6th March 14:00 - 14:45

If you would like to join, please contact:

[Lucy.Gillespie@skillsforcare.org.uk](mailto:Lucy.Gillespie@skillsforcare.org.uk)



## NHS Campaign Launches to Help Recognise, Treat and Stop Dangerous Constipation in People with a Learning Disability

Constipation can be a life-threatening issue for people with a learning disability who are at heightened risk from complications if it is left untreated. These [resources](#) have been created to help prevent, recognise and treat constipation in people with a learning disability. They are designed to be printed and used in home or care settings, facilitating conversations about constipation, and hopefully leading to swift treatment and improved outcomes for those people with a learning disability who are experiencing constipation. Resources are available to

support people with a learning disability, their carers, and people who work in primary care.

[For more information please click here.](#)

## Learning and Development Opportunities

### Adult Social Care Nurse Leadership Programme- NY+Y

Skills for Care has developed this programme to support registered nurses working in social care (who are in a leadership role) develop their leadership practice and enhance their personal and professional impact when managing teams. The programme is made up of five interactive workshops covering a range of leadership concepts and theories. These will enable participants to develop the required knowledge and skills to enhance their leadership practice when working across complex and often challenging systems. There will be presentations, discussions, and exercises to take part in, including 360 appraisals and work-based projects to embed learning and further support the development of leadership and management skills. We're offering 20 funded places to organisations based in York and North Yorkshire as well as a backfill payment of £1000 per participant to employers.

Further information including how to apply can be found through this [link](#). The deadline for applications is **Monday 21 August**.



York and Scarborough  
Teaching Hospitals  
NHS Foundation Trust

### Bladder and Bowel Training (Vale of York Providers)

When: Thursday 09 November  
2.00-4.00 via Microsoft Teams

York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust are holding a session open to all non-registered care staff within the Vale of York area across nursing/residential and domiciliary sectors which is designed to support the necessary skills to promote continence and manage incontinence within their work environment. For further information please view this [flyer](#) or contact [clare.markwell@nhs.net](mailto:clare.markwell@nhs.net)

## Further Information

### Contacts for Incident Reporting- Updated Process

To report any patient safety concerns regarding York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, please complete and submit this [form](#) and send to [yhstr.s2s@nhs.net](mailto:yhstr.s2s@nhs.net) This will allow the Trust to continuously receipt, acknowledge and investigate these concerns.

To make a complaint or to highlight any concerns regarding Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust, please email [yas.patientrelations@nhs.net](mailto:yas.patientrelations@nhs.net). Please find through this [link](#) a template which you are able to complete, which will ensure they have all the information required to investigate.

### Chief Nurse for Adult Social Care Awards- Nominate Your Team!

The Chief Nurse Awards are an opportunity to recognise the outstanding contribution made by social care staff, and celebrate those who go above and beyond in their work, provide outstanding care, commitment and inspiration to colleagues. As well as being able to nominate individual staff members for a gold and silver award, there is now also the chance to nominate your team!

Further information on the award including the nomination criteria can be found through this [link](#). We would encourage providers to have a think about staff meet these criteria and deserve recognition.

We're happy to support with any nominations, and if you submit an application please copy us in so we can also celebrate the outstanding work undertaken everyday by care staff in our area.

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### Do you have.....

- thoughts or comments to share?
- news that you would like to feature in the bulletin?

If so please contact [sam.varo@nhs.net](mailto:sam.varo@nhs.net)

