



# Care Homes and Domiciliary Care

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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 Care Home and Domiciliary Care colleagues.

Please click here to bookmark these pages.

# **September Partners in Care- Minutes Now Available**



The minutes from the September Partners in Care Forum are now available. Thank you again to all those who joined and contributed to an engaging and diverse afternoon which covered topics including discharge, continence, CHC, flu and digital engagement. They are available alongside the slides from the meeting through this <a href="https://link.nih.gov/lin

The next meeting of the forum will take place on **Wednesday 27 November** from **1.30-4.30** at **Riccall Regen Centre. Landing Ln, Riccall, York YO19 6PW**. A calendar invite has been sent to all partners, to confirm you attendance please accept this invite or email <a href="mailto:sam.varo@nhs.net">sam.varo@nhs.net</a>. If you have any colleagues who would be interested in attending please forward the invite to them, we would like to engage as many partners as possible in the conversations.



### T34 Ambulatory Syringe Driver Pumps

Please follow this <u>link</u> to view a updated guidance from the MHRA on all models of T34 ambulatory syringe drivers. This focuses on cleaning and disinfection practices, as function may be affected by fluid getting into the pump and building up over time. Contact details for any queries around this field alert are available through the link, with the reference code to quote MDA/2019/030.

### **Care Home Capacity Tracker Reminder**

A big thank you to all those homes that continue to update the capacity tracker regularly. This assists partners in continuing healthcare and local authority more efficiently view bed availability, and prevents calls to providers who do not have beds available. It is reminded that the recommendation is to update whenever bed capacity available to admit to changes, or at least once weekly (including pressing update if capacity hasn't changed). It is also advised that homes have at least two individuals available to update, so that the tracker can continue to be updated in the absence of one member of staff. If anybody has any queries about the tracker please contact sam.varo@nhs.net

## **Data Security Protection Toolkit**

Peter Adeyemo from NHS England and Improvement attended September Partners in Care, to advise on how both care homes and domiciliary providers can complete DSPT and what benefits this can provide. It was emphasised the importance of effective communication to support effective care provision and the need to comply with data protection legislation. By completing the entry level self-assessment (14 questions) access to NHS Mail can be achieved, which can provide a more secure method of digitally sharing information. For more information on NHS Mail and how it can benefit your organisation, please click this <u>link</u> to view an explanatory video. The slides from the presentation at the meeting can be found in the meeting slides.

To contact Peter please email <a href="mailto:peter.adeyemo1@nhs.net">peter.adeyemo1@nhs.net</a>

## Training, development and education opportunities



## October and November Training

To view training coming up in the autumn, please visit our <u>training and development pages</u>.

This includes Bladder and Bowel Sessions and a Catheterisation Masterclass being run by the York Hospital continence team.

City of York Council's Workforce Development Unit will be hosting sessions on topics including moving and positioning people, manual handling, first aid and the mental health capacity act.

Other training coming up includes T34 syringe driver education for care staff, and a Cancer Champions education session.



# **Skills for Care September Update**

To view the slides for the latest update from Skills for Care, please follow this link. This includes information on:

- How to utilise the Adult Social Care – Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS)
- The developing new managers and deputies guide
- The 2019-20 Workforce Development Fund
- Manager Induction Standards elearning
- The Department for Health and Social Care's "Every Day is Different" campaign.
- Guide to Improvement to assist in meeting and exceeding CQC standards.

### StatLock Catheter Usage

Hayley Clayton from the continence team at York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust attended the meeting, and updated that use StatLock catheters in the hospital have resumed. These need to be changed weekly, and can be prescribed in packs of 5.

It is planned for training in catheter use to be delivered for all care homes and domiciliary providers, but in the meantime please find a guide to their use through this link.

### **Upcoming Careers Days**

The follow careers days are coming up in our area and have no representation at present from health or social care. If your organisation would like to have a presence at these please get in touch as below:

Archbishop Holgate School (Year 10 Students) 22 October from 8.50-1.10 srobinson@archbishopholgates.org

Queen Ethelburga's School. Week commencing 30 March 2020. achambers@qe.org

# Get involved and share your views

## Flu Preparations

Peter Hudson from Public Health England and Phillippa Press from City of York Council gave an update to Partners in Care on how to access vaccinations for both residents and staff. They also gave tips on how to ensure you are prepared for flu season, including:

- Designating a named member of staff as a flu champion
- Keeping a log of residents who have consented to or declined vaccination
- Keeping a log of staff who

### Trusted Transfer Pathway-Feedback

Homes across the Vale of York are thanked for their work to implement the Trusted Transfer Pathway. It was noted that the IPC policy that accompanies the pathway has been updated.

We are encouraging homes to use the feedback form as necessary to report on positive and negative experience of use.

To find the pathway, IPC policy and feedback form please follow this <u>link</u> alongside a briefing on their usage.

An example showing how to complete

have been vaccinated.

• Displaying flu information in communal staff areas.

Full information from the update can be found in the <u>meeting slides</u>.

the Trusted Transfer form can be accessed through this <u>link</u>.

Completed feedback forms will be treated anonymously can be sent to <a href="mailto:sarah.fiori@nhs.net">sarah.fiori@nhs.net</a>

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# Do you have.....

- thoughts or comments to share?
- news that you would like to feature in the bulletin?
- items to be discussed at the next Partners in Care Meeting?

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