



**Vale of York**  
**Clinical Commissioning Group**



**Care Homes and  
Domiciliary Care**

**Weekly bulletin for care homes and care sector partners**

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**May Partners in Care**

Partners in Care will take place this week **from 1:30-4:30** on Thursday 23 May at the **Riccall Regen Centre, Landing Ln, Riccall, York YO19 6PW**. The agenda for the

meeting is now available and can be accessed through this [link](#). Also available through the link are system guidance documents for respiratory viruses and viral gastroenteritis, which will be discussed during the meeting.

The meeting will include an item around updating of agreements and contracts between continuing healthcare and providers, as well as session delivered by Infection, Prevention, Control on learning from norovirus during the winter and guidance on handwashing. There will also be updates from Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Trust, Skills for Care and the Discharge Liaison Team at York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

It's not too late to attend, please contact [sam.varo@nhs.net](mailto:sam.varo@nhs.net) on 01904 551773 to confirm your attendance. Please forward the invite to any colleagues interested in attending, if you haven't been along before please don't be shy! We would really welcome new faces to contribute towards discussions and influence decision making. All care homes and domiciliary care providers are welcome and there is always a cup of tea/coffee and treats to entice you!

Dates and papers for all our 2019 meetings are available through our [website](#).



## **Do you know exactly what a registered nurse in social care does?**

If not, this is your chance to find out. Skills for Care are delighted to announce that for the first time a statement of role, knowledge and skills for the 42,000 registered nurses working in social care has been launched.

It's called 'Registered nurses: recognising the responsibilities and contribution of registered nurses within social care'. It provides a description of the complex role that nurses undertake and demonstrates the way that they not only use all of their nursing knowledge, but also contribute to important national health and social care agendas. [Find out more and download the statement here](#).



## Summary Care Records: Differences Between “Core” and “Enhanced” Records

Further to the update circulated in April about the work conducted by the CCG alongside GP practices and the integrated care team to roll out summary care records, please find attached a briefing explaining the differences between “core” and “enhanced” records.

For any queries about summary care records, Please do not hesitate to contact [Sarah Kocinski](#).



## FastTrack Process Scoping: Share Your Views

Lynda Ruddock and her colleague Chris Charters are undertaking a year’s secondment working with York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and the CCG to look at the current fast track process from beginning to end. They are looking for feedback from both care homes and domiciliary providers on their views and experiences of fast track, and any suggestions for further improvements than can be made. A full briefing including



## Partners in Care Lessons Learned: Transporting Patients in Slings

Yorkshire Ambulance Service have informed the CCG of a serious incident involving a patient being injured by slipping from a wheelchair whilst travelling in a hoist sling. One of the areas of learning identified was that the sling had contributed to the patient slipping from the wheelchair. The main recommendation from the report was that patients should no longer be transported in hoist slings, and that to continue with this practice was unsafe.

Available through these links are the [letter](#) and [poster](#) that have been distributed to the care and nursing homes that YAS collect patients from. If there is a specific medical or clinical need that the patient still needs to

questions they would like to have feedback around is available through this [link](#).

**If you have any queries or feedback, please contact [Lynda Ruddock](#).**

travel in a hoist sling then a specific risk assessment at the point of booking can be arranged. This can take up to 72 hours to complete.



## **Introducing: The Partners in Care Webpages**

The CCG are delighted to unveil the new and improved Partners in Care pages on our website. These are designed to assist care home and domiciliary providers in the Vale of York to stay up to date with latest developments and news within local healthcare, signpost to support and guidance and to find training and development programs relevant to both management and staff

Also on the website are all the dates for Partners in Care forums within the coming year, as well as the minutes and resources from the forums that took place in year 2018-19. There is a news section containing all the updates featured in the Partners in Care Weekly Bulletin within the last month, and a backlog of bulletins from the past year.

Pages dedicated to React to Red and the Care Home Capacity Tracker have been established, and information on future workstreams being implemented by the CCG will be added to the website shortly.

Going forward we are looking to develop the webpages further, including adding a section advising care providers on relevant alerts to be aware of.

If you have any suggestions for topics or training that you would like adding to the website, please get in touch.

**The website can be accessed through this [link](#)**



## Care Home Capacity Tracker Update

A fantastic 100% of in scope homes in the area are now registered and updating bed availability through the care home capacity tracker. This means great progress has been made to reducing unneeded ring round calls. Our partners in local authority and continuing healthcare continue to use the tracker to access bed availability for homes who update the tracker.

However further work is still required, and all homes using are reminded to update their bed figures on the tracker at least weekly (even if that is just logging and pressing "save capacities" if figures have not changed).

Should discharge or brokerage teams contact your home when the tracker has been updated, please remind them to use it before calling.

### Action

To register your home, or new users please go to <https://carehomes.necsu.nhs.uk/> or contact [sam.varo@nhs.net](mailto:sam.varo@nhs.net) and [sarah.fiori@nhs.net](mailto:sarah.fiori@nhs.net)



## RCN Foundation Professional Bursary Scheme

The RCN Foundation Professional Bursary Scheme offers grants of up to £5,000 per year for career development and CPD activities in the following areas:

- Primary care nursing (up to £5,000)
- Long term/chronic conditions (up to £5,000)
- History of nursing (previously the Monica Baly Bursary Scheme) (up to £1,000)
- Occupational Health Nursing in Scotland (previously the Mair Scholarship Scheme) & the rest of the UK (up to £1,000)

Applicants must be able to detail how their course will improve patient care in their field. To be eligible for a grant the following criteria must be fulfilled:

- UK Registered Nurses and Midwives
- Health care support workers working in the UK
- Nursing Associates
- Course start date must fall between 1 September 2019 and 1 September 2020

**The closing date for applications is 5pm on 31 May 2019. For more details please follow [this link](#).**



## On the Website: Training and Development

There is much more information about training programmes in our area on the website, here are just some of the events taking place in the next month.

- 6 June - Understanding Psychological Symptoms in Delirium and Dementia from 9:00-4:30 at Malmaison Hotel, Leeds.
- 12 June – T34 Syringe Driver Training from 1:00- 2:30 at St Helens Rehabilitation Centre, York.
- 17 June- Infection Prevention Control Study Day from 8:45-4:00 at Harrogate Hospital
- 18 June- Hull Sepsis Congress a from 8:30-5:00 at Bonus Arena, Hull.

For more information, please visit our training and development [webpage](#). If you know of any courses that can be added please get in touch.



## North Yorkshire County Council: Training and Online Learning

Please find through this link a guide to the training offered by North Yorkshire County Council in the period April 2019 to March 2020. These courses are targeted at adult social care providers operating within the local authority area. Courses available include moving and handling, safeguarding, deprivation of liberty safeguards and food and nutrition.

**To book, please visit the council's [learning portal](#).**



## City of York Council: Adults Services Training in May

City of York Council's Workforce Development Unit offer a large number of training sessions relevant to the adult social care. Please find the full list of training planned for the May to July period. Upcoming training includes a virtual dementia tour as well as bitesize care of others sessions for diabetes, Huntington's disease and Parkinson's.

**To book on to these courses you will need to register for a MyLo account through this [link](#)**

**For any queries please contact: [wdu@york.gov.uk](mailto:wdu@york.gov.uk)**

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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?

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