



Vale of York
Clinical Commissioning Group



Weekly bulletin for care homes and care sector partners

Thursday 21 March 2019



March Partners in Care

The next meeting of Partners in Care will take place next week on Wednesday **27 March** at the **York Sports Centre, Rawcliffe**. An agenda is now available for the meeting, which will include an update from the care home pharmacy team, a dementia friends training session and an update on the transformation of district nursing services. This agenda is attached for you.

A calendar invite has been sent to members of the group, please accept to confirm your attendance, or alternatively reply to this bulletin. The meeting is open to all so please invite any interested colleagues to join the conversation. As always we would like to hear from you regarding any items you would like to discuss at the meeting as well as shared learning and good news stories.

Provisional dates for the 2019 meetings are now so that you can have them in your calendar!



React to Red Celebration and Evaluation Event

As you are probably aware; the React to Red project will be coming to an end at the end of March. To end on a positive note, we are organising an event to celebrate your success. This will take place at 2:00-4:00 on **Friday 22 March at York Sports Club, Rawcliffe** and is a great opportunity for link champions, trainers, managers and anybody else who has actively participated in the programme to come together to celebrate their achievements (with cake 😊). It would be great if you could bring with you any examples of changes in practice following the programme that you would be happy to share.

To confirm your attendance please contact h.degnan1@nhs.net



Care Home Capacity Tracker Update

A big thank you our care homes in the North Yorkshire County Council area. 100% of our in scope homes in the area are now registered and updating bed availability through the care home capacity tacker. 95% of in scope homes across the Vale of York as a whole are registered, meaning 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 and sarah.fiori@nhs.net



Medicines &
Healthcare products
Regulatory Agency

Medical Device Alert: All T34 ambulatory syringe pumps need a sponge pad fitted to the battery compartment to prevent battery connection issues

Please be aware of the attached medical device alert, relating to movement of batteries and possible loss of connection in T34 ambulatory syringe pumps. Further details on this alert on contact details for any queries are in the attached summary.

The deadline for actions to be underway is 01 April 2019 and for actions complete is 28 May 2019



T34 Syringe Driver Training

York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust are offering T34 syringe driver training designed for care home staff. The dates for the session are below, to book you place please find the booking form attached.

Date	Time	Venue
16-Apr-19	13:00 - 14:30	St Leonards Hospice, St Leonards Hospice
14-May-19	13:00 - 14:30	Health Education Room, Tang Hall Health Centre
12-Jun-19	13:00 - 14:30	St Helen's Rehabilitation Hospital,
17-Jul-19	13:00 - 14:30	St Leonards Hospice, St Leonards Hospice
19-Sep-19	13:00 - 14:30	Health Education Room, Tang Hall Health Centre
10-Oct-19	13:00 - 14:30	St Leonards Hospice, St Leonards Hospice
13-Nov-19	13:00 - 14:30	St Monica's Hospital, Long Street



York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

End of Life Care Training

The Palliative Care Team at York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust are offering end of life care training for care home nurses. Places are still available for the session below. The sessions cover topics including DNACPR and recognition of dying, further information and how to book is in the poster attached.

- Wednesday 27 March 2019 1-4.40pm

The session will take place at: Stamford Bridge Beaumont, Buttercrambe Rd, Stamford Bridge, York, YO41 1AJ



Recognition of Flu Vaccination Uptake Amongst Care Home Staff in the North of England

Please find a letter from NHS England providing details of a scheme that recognises the efforts made by Care Homes (residential & nursing), Hospices and Domiciliary Care providers who have achieved a high level of flu vaccine uptake amongst their health and social care staff who are



HEAT Awards

HEE have launched a new awards scheme called the HEAT (Healthcare, Education and Training) Awards.

This scheme will recognise and celebrate the very best in education, training, leadership and workforce planning, as well as bringing together the local, regional and national award schemes that were being run previously.

Some of the categories are particularly

directly involved in the care of vulnerable people.

The organisations that have achieved a certain level of vaccination for their staff will receive a Bronze, Silver or Gold certificate depending upon the percentage of staff that have been vaccinated.

70% of staff or over vaccinated will receive a Gold Accreditation

60-69% of staff vaccinated will receive a Silver Accreditation

50-59% of staff vaccinated will receive a Bronze Accreditation.

To submit an application for this award please find further details in the letter. Applications must have been received by 31 March.

relevant to Talent for Care and include:

- Inspirational Apprentice
- Champion of Diversity, Inclusivity and Widening Participation
- Champion of Tomorrow's Workforce

Nominations are now open and can be made [here](#), the closing date for which will be 5 April.

Those who have been shortlisted, as well as their nominators will be invited to an awards event which is due to take place on 18 July.

Should you have any questions, contact Matthew Woolford via matthew.woolford@hee.nhs.uk



Infection Prevention Control Study Day

Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) are hosting a study Day specifically for healthcare staff working in Care Homes and Domiciliary Care settings in North Yorkshire. Topics will include superbugs, CQC requirements and hand hygiene.

Date: Monday, 17 June, 2019

Venue: Lecture Theatre, Education Centre, Strayside Wing, Harrogate District Hospital, HG2 7SX

Time: 08:45 – 16:00

Cost: £20.00 (payment due at the time of booking)

For more information please see the flyer and booking form attached. Places will be filled on a first come first served basis. To book, please telephone the Team on 01423 557340.



Independent Care Group Conference and Exhibition 2019

The Independent Care Group will be holding a conference and exhibition at York Racecourse on Wednesday 20 November. Booking details will be available shortly.



Yorkshire and the Humber
Clinical Networks

Yorkshire and Humber Clinical Network Event: Is Yorkshire and Humber Compassionate?

Please find attached a flyer for the above session by the Yorkshire and Humber Clinical Network. This is a free event open to all medics, nurses and AHP's working within or closely with specialist palliative care services. The theme of the day will be "Compassionate Communities" and will feature a mixture of presentations and workshops around projects taking place in our area.

Date: Wednesday 27 March 9:30-16:20

Venue: Horizon Leeds, 2 Brewery Wharf.
Kendell Street, Leeds. LS10 1JR.

This bulletin is produced by NHS Vale of York Clinical Commissioning Group.

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 or sam.varo@nhs.net