



Vale of York
Clinical Commissioning Group



Weekly bulletin for care homes and care sector partners

Monday 21 January 2019



February Partners in Care

In a change of plan from the initially proposed date, the next meeting of Partners in Care is now confirmed for **Wednesday 6 February** at the **Galtres Centre, Easingwold**. A calendar invite has been sent to all member of the group. Please accept to confirm your attendance, or alternatively reply to this bulletin. As always we would like to hear from you regarding any items you would like to discuss at the meeting as well as anonymised incidents for the Partners in Care Lessons Learned Bulletin.

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



Medications on Admission Reminder

A reminder to our partner care homes, that residents medication (especially those in blister packs) should not be sent in on admission. Instead a copy of the residents MAR chart and any other relevant information about medication, AND any medication such as insulin, creams, inhalers. Should be sent.



Improvement

Portable fans in health and social care facilities: risk of cross infection

Please note the attached alert from NHS Improvement regarding the use of portable fans in health and social care facilities, and take action as appropriate. The use of these fans in clinical areas has been linked to cross infection, and is not recommended for use during outbreaks of infection or with a resident known or suspected to be infectious.

The deadline for actions to be underway is 5 February, and 2 April for them to be complete.

Enquires should quote reference number EFA/2019/001 and be addressed to:-
[nhsi.mb- defectsandfailures@nhs.net](mailto:nhsi.mb-defectsandfailures@nhs.net)



FREE

FREE Care Home IPC Study Day - Leeds, 28 March 2019

NHS Improvement are hosting an Infection Prevention Control Study Day, aimed at all nursing residential homes to provide support and guidance in keeping your service free from avoidable infection

The event will feature speakers from Public Health England to discuss Norovirus and Flu, as well as innovative tools to manage outbreaks.

The event will take place from 10:00-16:00 (with registration at 9:00) on Thursday 28 March, at the Met Hotel (King St, Leeds LS1 2HQ)

To register please follow this [link](#), attendees are limited to 2 per provider



Health Education England

Off the Job Training Resources

The Education Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) have produced a series of resources aimed to bust the myths surrounding off the job training. They include:

- A flowchart to help employers define what counts as off-the-job training
- A one-pager on the top 5 common myths

To access these resources please visit this [link](#)

**Dying Matters
Awareness Week
13th – 19th May 2019**

Kickstarter Sessions for Dying Matters Planning 2019

Dying Matters Awareness Week takes place on 13 - 19 May 2019 and is fast approaching. If you and your team are looking for support and inspiration on how to get involved in the events taking place, Hospice UK is hosting a session in February to help

Date: 7 February 2019

Venue: Hilton Deansgate, 303 Deansgate, Manchester. M3 4LQ

Dying Matters is the biggest campaign in the UK that encourages people to talk about dying, death and bereavement. It gets you to think about these topics and to put plans in place: your will, funeral plans, future care and organ donation. Death affects us all, and we can only help each other if we are comfortable talking about it. For more information please follow this [link](#)



Survey: Rotational Health and Social Care Apprenticeships

Humber Coast and Vale Excellence are currently developing a project for a Rotational Health & Social Care Apprenticeship, which includes placements in a range of Health and Social Care settings. The aim of this project is will help provide a flexible, motivated, skilled and qualified support workforce in the area.

To help shape the project to deliver the best outcomes for employers, apprentices

and service users please complete this [survey](#). It should only take a few minutes to complete. All responses are treated confidential



York Teaching Hospital
NHS Foundation Trust

End of Life Care Training

Kath Sartain and Jude Seagrave attended November's Partners in Care to update that the End of Life Training for care homes nurses offered in 2018, would be offered again in 2019. A venue and dates have now been finalised for these sessions as below. The sessions cover topics including DNACPR and recognition of dying, further information and how to book is in the poster attached.

- Wednesday 20 March 2019 1-4.30pm
- Wednesday 27 March 2019 1-4.40pm

Both sessions will take place at: Stamford Bridge Beaumont, Buttercrambe Rd, Stamford Bridge, York, YO41 1AJ



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November's PiCLL bulletin is now available and attached. It contains the latest shared learning and best practice from across our homes.

Action

If you have any anonymous lessons learned or examples of best practice you would like to share with other homes, please get in touch with

sarah.fiori@nhs.net



City of York Council: Workforce Development Unit Training

City of York Council's Workforce Development Unit offer a large number of training sessions relevant to the practice nursing.

Upcoming sessions include

- Effective Communication and Responding to Behaviour that Challenges (Adult Services)
- Life Story (Bitesize)
- IOSH Managing Safely Refresher
- Managing Handling of Objects

A full list of sessions available from January to March is attached for you.

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



Flu Vaccination Update: City of York Council and North Yorkshire Council

North Yorkshire County Council

Local authority employed Health and Social care staff in North Yorkshire can now download a voucher from the intranet, and ask their manager to sign it. The signed voucher needs to be presented before the vaccine is administered. Most community pharmacies and many GP practices are providing flu vaccinations and NYYCC recommend that staff contact their community pharmacy or GP practice to check they are providing the service before attending and for GP practices, this needs to be the member of staff's registered practice. our PGD. NYCC is then reimbursed per vaccine.

Independently employed health and social care staff from North Yorkshire care homes and domiciliary providers are now also eligible for the scheme. Please contact: carly.walker@northyorks.gov.uk for a voucher

City of York Council

Please find attached a letter that has been sent to all care providers currently contracted by City of York Council. NHS England has awarded the council £20,000 for immunisation of care staff, which can be claimed by providers either through filling out the attached form (to reimburse costs for providers who have already vaccinated staff) or through claiming flu vouchers (for yet to be vaccinated) which can be redeemed at most high street pharmacies, with the exception of Boots.

This funding is available for care staff and volunteers, though not residents and as the budget is finite it cannot be guaranteed you will receive 100% of the requested sum. To apply please return the reimbursement forms and submit requests for vouchers to [Philippa](#) by 31 January 2019.



Support and Information for DSP toolkit completion and NHS Mail

Please see attached how to guides produced by NHS Digital and the Care Provider Alliance for social care providers wishing to complete the DSP toolkit, and getting registered with NHS Mail.

More help around registering for NHS Mail can be found through this [link](#)

A DSP Toolkit WebEx is arranged for 14 February. This will need to be booked on to through the following [link](#)



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SPACES AVAILABLE: Cancer Champion Workshops

Become a Cancer Champion

It's easier than you think to make a difference

- Date: Tuesday 05 February 2019
- Time: 6pm – 8:30pm
- Location: Committee Room, Selby District Council

- Date: Friday 15 February 2019: **Please note a change of date for this session**
- Time: 9:30am-12:30pm
- Location: Thornton, West Offices, York

- Date: Monday 11 February 2019
- Time: 1pm – 4pm
- Location: Scarborough Hospital

- Date: Wednesday 20 February 2019
- Time: 1pm - 4pm
- Location: Malton Hospital

- Date: Monday 25 February 2019
- Time: 1pm - 4pm
- Location: York Hospital

Open to Everyone

To reserve a place please email: eryccg.cancerchampion@nhs.net or telephone Sophie on 07519 120805



Free to attend: Values based recruitment and retention

Where: The next session will take place in Sheffield on 6 February, with further sessions arranged for Durham, The Tees



Free to attend: Skills for Care Roadshow

Where: The roadshow will be held on Wednesday 23 January in Durham, with further events to follow in Scunthorpe, Scarborough

Valley and Newcastle

What: These free, half day sessions are an introduction to values based recruitment and retention. It will cover what workplace values are, the benefits of establishing and how you can work with other to determine what these values are.

Action

For more information, please find a poster attached, To book your place please follow this [link](#)

and Sheffield

Topics:

- Funding and qualification changes to support workforce development
- Leading a good or outstanding care organisation
- Effective use of information to enhance service quality
- Offer of support to employers and newest resources.

Action

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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