



**Vale of York  
Clinical Commissioning Group**



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

Monday 26 November 2018



## November Partners in Care

Thank you to everybody who was able to attend last week's Partners in Care, and contributed to such a rich and diverse session which covered everything from shared home ownership and the cancer champions programme, to advanced care planning and positive approaches to care training. Further information on many of the agenda items can be found in this week's bulletin, as can the slides from the meeting for you to browse at your leisure. As always if you have any comments on the session, particularly around what you found useful and any topics or suggestions you might have for next time. A plea to return the NYCC questionnaire please!

The next meeting is Partners in Care is planned for **Wednesday 23 January**. The venue is to be confirmed shortly, but in line with the rotation of venues to allow different homes to attend is aimed to be in the northern part of the CCG area. Dates for 2019 will be identified shortly so that you can have them in your calendar!



## November's Partners in Care Lessons Learned Bulletin

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](mailto:sarah.fiori@nhs.net)



## **NYCC Provider Engagement Events**

North Yorkshire County Council's new Quality Monitoring and Assurance Team are setting up provider engagement events, to run in alternate months to Partners in Care. These are open not just to homes and domiciliary providers in the NYCC footprint, but any home which has a contract with NYCC. The team work with provider to sustain quality through mentoring, coaching, education and guidance as culture of continuous improvement. Further details on how the team can help is attached.

### **Action**

The team would like to hear from you about what you would like on the agenda as their engagements, as well as where and when you would like them to take place. Please complete the questionnaire attached and return to [Suzanne](#) by Friday 30 November.



## **Workshop: Mental Health in the Care Sector**

Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust are hosting a workshop for the social care sector, to take place on Monday 10 December. The workshop will offer the opportunity for providers to share their experience of working with mental health and aim to identify common themes and development opportunities. A venue is to be determined.

### **Action**

To offer a venue or to confirm your attendance, please contact [Sam](#)



## Flu Vaccination Reimbursement and Vouchers

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 [Phillippa](#) by 31 January 2019.

Further information about vaccination funding in the North Yorkshire County Council area is to follow.



## Care Home Capacity Tracker Update

A fantastic 83% of Vale of York residential and nursing homes are now registered and updating the Care Home Capacity Tracker, and North Yorkshire County Council are now relying on the tracker rather than ring rounds for all homes in their area which have updated in the last 7 days

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



## ENRiCH Study: Effective Healthcare to Support Care Homes

National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) are looking for one individual from each care home to complete a questionnaire for the

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)

### **study: Effective Healthcare Support to Care Homes.**

This study is run by the University of Manchester, looking and support care homes receive from visiting healthcare professionals such as GPs, physiotherapists, pharmacists, specialist nurses and palliative care staff and in particular what components care homes value the most.

A pre-paid envelope will be provided. On completion of the questionnaire your home will be entered into a prize draw for two sets of high street shopping vouchers worth £50 each as a way of a thank you, as well as a participation certificate.

The questionnaire is aimed at managers, deputy managers and senior nurses/carers.

To express and interest please contact [Sally Gordon](#)



## York Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

### Advanced Care Planning: 5 Minute Training

Charlotte Oliver from York Hospital's Palliative Care Team presented to the group on Advanced Care Planning. Attached is a 5 minute training guide, which includes guidance on when an ACP should happen and what it can include. There is also a link to a more comprehensive e-learning module for those interested, and also attached a document including some suggestions for conversation starters to raise the subject of ACP's.

For more information please contact: [Charlotte](#)



### React to Red: Pressure Ulcer Prevention

The November edition of the React to Red newsletter can be accessed through [this link](#)

30 homes across the Vale of York area have now completed the programme, with a fantastic 1350 carers across the Vale of York having taken part in the training.

Mencap Easingwold, Hilltop Manor, The Orchard, Alne Hall and Isabella Court are just the latest homes to become 100% compliant. Big congratulations to all of them.



### 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

- Emergency First Aid: Half Day
- Care Certificate Induction
- Encouraging a Risk Enabling Approach
- Introduction to the Mental Health Capacity Act

A full list of sessions available from October to November is attached for you.

### Action

To get involved in the programme contact [h.degnan1@nhs.net](mailto:h.degnan1@nhs.net) or [christopher.pomfrett@nhs.net](mailto:christopher.pomfrett@nhs.net)

To read the further editions of the React to Red Newsletter and to find out more information, the website can be found through [this link](#).

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)



### November: Share Together, Care Together Newsletter

Please find attached the November edition of the Share Together, Care Together newsletter from NHS England. This month's bulletin features updates on grab guides for discharge and information on master classes for the capacity tracker.



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### Teaching Care Homes Programme open for applications

Applications to the Teaching Care Homes Programme are now open to all care homes, including those providing care to persons of all ages including those caring for people with learning disabilities and neurological conditions.



### Free to attend: Values based recruitment and retention

**When:** Please find dates in attached poster

**Where:** The next session will take

This year, the focus of the programme is on enhancing cross-system partnership working (e.g. care home/acute sector services; care home/university; care home/GP practice etc.). The partnerships should intend to develop and strengthen cross-system relationships by working together towards developing and achieving shared outcomes.

With the care home as lead applicant, each team of between 3 and 5 people will attend six workshop days, and in between, will benefit from one-to-one mentorship and on-site support. The programme also has a small bursary to support participants. Workshops run from April 2019 to March 2020.

For more information and to download the application, visit [the FoNS Teaching Care Homes pages](#).

**The closing date for applications is: 5pm on Tuesday 11 December 2018.**

place in Northallerton on 5 December, with further sessions arranged for Grimsby, Sheffield, Durham and The Tees Valley

**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](#)

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](mailto:sarah.fiori@nhs.net) or [sam.varo@nhs.net](mailto:sam.varo@nhs.net)