



Vale of York
Clinical Commissioning Group



Weekly bulletin for care homes and care sector partners

Tuesday 30 October 2018



Next meeting

November's Partners in Care is confirmed, a calendar invite has been sent out to members of the group. To confirm your attendance either accept this invite or contact sam.varo@nhs.net or call 01904 551773. As always please free to forward onto any colleagues who would be interested in attending, we will look forward to seeing you in November.

When - Thursday 22 November 2018, 1.30 - 4.30pm.

Where – The Riverside Room, Riccall Regen Centre. Landing Ln, Riccall, YO19 6PW

Agenda- To be confirmed

We're looking for good news stories, examples of best practice and lessons learned for our next edition of Partners in Care Lessons Learned. If you have anything you would like to share, please get in touch.



**Infection.
Prevention.
Control.**
You're in safe hands



Norovirus season is approaching: Viral Gastroenteritis Outbreak Management Pack

The Community IPC Team have produced a new FREE 'Viral Gastroenteritis Outbreak Management Pack for North Yorkshire Care Homes. Please be vigilant and implement Infection Prevention and Control measures if you suspect an outbreak.

If you do have an outbreak, please contact the Community IPC Team as soon as possible within normal working hours on 01423 557340.

If you would like to register to receive emails from the Community IPC Team regarding the direct, please contact them on the above number or through www.infectionpreventioncontrol.co.uk in order to receive other IPC support and advice.



React to Red: Pressure Ulcer Prevention

The November edition of the React to Red newsletter now attached for you.

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, Aine Hall and Isabella Court are just the latest homes to become 100% compliant. Big congratulations to all of them.

Action

To get involved in the programme contact h.degnan1@nhs.net or 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](#).



Pressure Heroes Competition

Homes are invited to get involved in the Pressure Heroes competition running 12 - 16 November. This is your chance to raise awareness of the importance of preventing pressure damage. Let us know your plans and we would love to pay you a visit to see your activity. The most creative event will receive a prize!!

Please see a poster with more information and suggestion on activities attached.

To let us know what your home is planning, please contact:
h.degnan1@nhs.net



Winter Readiness and Infection Prevention Guidance for Care Homes

Please find attached the Public Health England winter guidance for care homes and NICE info on infection control. Though this guidance was designed for London, it is appropriate for all care homes and domiciliary providers regardless of location



Never Underestimate the Flu

NHS Sutton CCG have produced a video describing the impact of an outbreak of influenza in a care home in London, and offering advice on vaccination, infection control

For the short version of this video please follow this [link](#)

For the longer version of this video please follow this [link](#)



Skills Platform October Training Bulletin

The Skills Platform is a portal developed in collaboration by Skills for Health and the National Skills Academy, allowing users to search for physical and digital health and social care training.

Their October bulletin features training in the areas of learning disabilities, medication training and peg feeding training among others. Also included are blog pieces on supporting people with early onset dementia, and a self-care guide for nurses.

To access the bulletin please follow this [link](#)



October Share Together, Care Together Bulletin

Please find attached the October edition of NHS England's Share Together, Care Together Bulletin. This edition features information on how to get the best use from the Care Home Capacity Tracker, as well as information on how social care staff can access flu vaccines and dates to learn more about NHS Mail and the Data, Security and Protection Toolkit (DSPT).



Centre for Nursing Innovation
Inspire Enable Improve

Teaching Care Homes Programme open for applications

Applications to the Teaching Care Homes Programme are now to 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.

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.



Capacity Tracker

Care Home Capacity Tracker Update

The Care Home Capacity Tracker is the new name for the Care Home Bed State Tool.

Following a feedback from users of the tool, the developers have now expanded the bed types available to select to include mental health nursing beds and mental health residential beds. If your home offers these services, please log in and update your information accordingly so brokerage and discharge teams using the tool can see you home when searching for mental health beds.

A reminder that we are requesting for homes where bed capacity has not changed to log in once a week and press save on “save these spare capacities button”, this will show that capacity has been updated even though the figures have remained the same. This will give assurance to care partners that your figures are up to date, and will remove the need for calls to check.

Action

To register go to <https://carehomes.necsu.nhs.uk/> or contact sam.varo@nhs.net and sarah.fiori@nhs.net



Free to attend: Values based recruitment and retention

When: Please find dates in attached poster

Where: The next session will take place in Leeds 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](#)

Become a Cancer Champion

It's easier than you think to make a difference

Humber, Coast and Vale Cancer Champion Programme

Humber, Coast and Vale STP are hosting half session courses for anyone interested in becoming a cancer champion. These will last approximately 3 hours and are split into two sections; the first half is about the early signs and symptoms of a range of cancers and the second half is about how to be a champion. The aim is to raise awareness of the early signs and symptoms of cancer, promote the national screening programmes and early detection.

Please find a poster attached, and the final date below

Thursday 8 November, 13:00-16:00. Bar 1922, Bootham Crescent, York City Football Club

For more information please contact eryccq.cancerchampion@nhs.net



Additional Information on Summary Care Records

Summary Care Records with Additional Information, also known as the 'enriched' or 'enhanced' SCR, provide more patient information to health and care staff, helping them treat your residents or the people you care for quickly and safely, and respect their choices.

Care Providers are asked to promote the following benefits to the people they care for of having their SCR-AI enabled:

- Empowers them to decide what information is shared
- Reduces the stress of having to remember or repeat key information
- Reduces the risk of adverse reactions as care professionals can view medication, allergies and adverse reactions

The attached consent form should be completed and returned to the GP practice where your resident/person you care for is registered



September Partners in Care Lessons Learned Bulletin

September's PiCLL bulletin is now available and attached. It contains



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.

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

Upcoming sessions include

- First Aid at Work- 3 day course
- Virtual Dementia Tour
- Domestic Abuse- Bitesize Safety of Others
- Consent- Bitesize Safety of Others

A full list of sessions available from October to November 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

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