



Vale of York
Clinical Commissioning Group



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What's in your Partners in Care bulletin?

This weekly bulletin provides details of training, guidance, access to past editions and lots more. There's also helpful information on the web pages dedicated to our Independent Care Provider colleagues.

[Please click here to bookmark these pages](#)



NHSX iPad Offer to Care Homes

NHSX have an allocation of iPads which they are able to offer to care providers free of charge. The iPads will help care home residents to receive ongoing care and stay connected to loved ones, as well as allowing the below.

- Hold video consultations with health and care professionals

- Use NHSmail
- Connect care home residents with loved ones remotely
- Get direct access to any other tools or systems needed to support the care of residents

For more information and to apply please follow this [link](#). The deadline for applications is **Friday 23 October** and there are eligibility criteria to qualify.

Please note that this offer is separate to the tablets that have been allocated to providers by the CCG, and is a national scheme.



Partners in Care Virtual Forum- Coming up This Week

The next Partners in Care Virtual Forum will take place this week on a slightly different day to usual, on **Tuesday 13 October from 2:00-2:45**. We have the following updates planned for this session, but as ever it is an open forum so care providers are welcome to raise any topics they would like to discuss.

- Update from Medequip on how their community equipment services are operating during the pandemic, and a chance for providers to ask questions.
- Flu presentation and Q&A, covering topics including how to access flu jabs for residents and staff.

All care providers and partners agencies are welcome to join, please contact sam.varo@nhs.net if you don't have the calendar invite.

Need to know



NHS Standard Contract for Care Homes and Domiciliary Care Providers

All Care Homes and Domiciliary Care Providers in the Vale of York should have received an email from the Contracting Team at the CCG to inform them that it is the CCG's intention to establish the NHS Standard Contract with all Providers in the Vale of York area.

To compile the contract documentation the following documents/policies (where applicable) are required. It is requested that copies of the following documents are forwarded to the CCG by **Wednesday 14 October 2020**:

- Evidence of CQC Registration
- Employers' Liability/ Public Insurance Documents
- Safeguarding Policies
- Incident Reporting Policies
- Transfer and Discharge from Care Policy
- Medicines Management Policy

Please send copies of documents via email to: VOYCCG.Contracting@nhs.net. If there are any issues with returning any of the required documents, or you have any queries regarding the NHS Standard Contract, please telephone Rachael Nice on 07702 657459 to discuss the matter.



Capacity Tracker- New Questions

Care homes registered with the capacity tracker will have received an update around new questions that will be launched on the tracker on **Wednesday 14 October**. The 3 questions added are as below, and are designed to help understand any issues providers may be having around these topics on a national and local level.

- How many staff and residents are known to have had a flu vaccination
- Where there may be issues accessing flu vaccinations
- The COVID19 status of residents received from NHS Trust hospitals.

In addition there will also be 2 surveys, these only need to be completed **once**.

- Survey 1 'Syringe Pumps' (to be completed by Nursing homes only):
- Survey 2 'Proxy Medicine Ordering' (to be completed by All Care Homes)

If you have any queries regarding the capacity tracker please contact sam.varo@nhs.net

TheKingsFund > Ideas that change
health and care

The Courage of Compassion- Supporting Nurses and Midwives to Deliver High-Quality Care

The Kings Fund have published a report aim to showing how to transform nurses' and midwives' workplaces so that they can thrive and flourish and are better able to provide the compassionate, high-quality care that they and those they serve wish them to deliver. The report examines the workplace stressors, organisational cultures, working contexts and leadership styles that impact on nurse and midwife wellbeing and mental health, both before and during Covid-19. It sets out how these can be changed to provide dramatically improved working environments and contexts for nursing and midwifery practice, thereby benefiting nurses, midwives, patients, women, families and communities.

The report's scope covers all areas of practice and all care settings where nursing and midwifery staff operate, including primary care, secondary care, mental health, community care and social care. To read the summary version of this report please follow this [link](#), and for the full version please follow this [link](#).

Training and Development Opportunities

Nursing Degree Apprenticeship Webinar

When: **20 October 2020 3.00-4.30pm**

Health Education England are hosting a webinar on, which aims to give the latest information to social care employers on the Apprenticeship Route to the Registered Nursing Degree. Skills for Care's expert nursing project manager Wendy Leighton will be participating with HEE colleagues.

Colleagues can join the webinar through this [link](#)

This is a Teams Live Event so delegates won't be able to speak or be seen on the webinar, but there will be a Q&A function to submit questions, and the webinar is recorded for circulation after the event.

Any additional requests for information can be directed to: talentforcare@hee.nhs.uk

Upcoming Registered Manager wellbeing webinars

Skills for Care are offering Registered Managers a series of two wellbeing webinars.

1. Wellbeing for managers

The first webinar will include practical support and ideas to look after yourself to help you look after others. This will be held on **Thurs 15 October from 3.00 – 3.30.**

[Booking link](#)

2. Leading for wellbeing

The second webinar will focus on 'Leading for Wellbeing' with practical support and ideas to support your teams with wellbeing. This will be held on **Weds 4 November 11:00 to 11:30.**

[Booking link](#)

The sessions are designed for registered managers and managers who directly supervise others. Places are limited and advance booking is required.

Further Information

Text Message Wellbeing Support Pilot Launched

Skills for Care launching a text message pilot to support the wellbeing of leaders and managers working in adult social care. The study is based on wellbeing programmes that have supported other frontline professions which we believe can also promote wellbeing in social care. Text messages will be sent weekly for 15 weeks starting on 19 October and will include tips and prompts to help you look after yourself and help with your own wellbeing. Places are limited so take a look at the Skills for Care Website for more information and [register now](#).

PRINCIPLE Study- Help the Fight Against COVID-19

Individuals who have been diagnosed with or who are showing symptoms of COVID-19 and are aged 65 or over (or 50-64 with certain conditions) are able to self-enrol into the PRINCIPLE study. This is a national trial to find treatments that reduce hospital admissions and improve symptoms. To join the study, please follow this [link](#).

For further information, the [poster](#) and [patient information leaflet](#) can be found through these links.

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