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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](#)



Infection Prevention Control Workbooks for Care Homes

We're pleased to confirm that the IPC workbooks ordered for City of York and East Riding care homes have been delivered into York today. We are estimating that the majority of these will be delivered directly to homes on **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday**. The deliveries for East Riding homes will be delivered in person by the Partners in Care Team and may arrive slightly later.

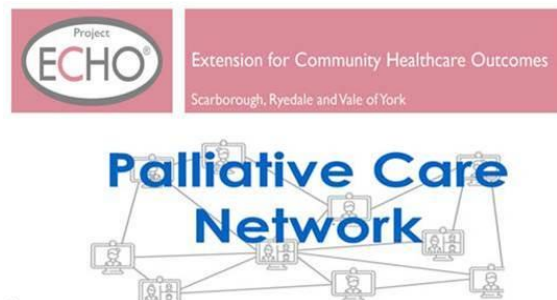
Delivery arrangements will be confirmed in due course for domiciliary and supported living providers. For further information on these resources including how to request additional workbooks, please follow this [link](#).



PPE for Staff Providing Care Outside Hospital: What to Wear

Please find through this [link](#) a short video designed by Public Health England which provides an up to date summary of where we are in the fight against COVID-19, as well as a summary of PPE and IPC process from the current guidance. This was shown at Partners in Care last week and providers remarked that this was a useful refresher, which a number have already encouraged staff to watch.

Need to know



Project ECHO- Palliative Care Network

First session: Tuesday 23 February at 2.00

The Project ECHO Team are welcoming all staff working in care services across the Vale of York to attend their new palliative care network. These sessions will be delivered by specialist palliative care staff from across the sector, and will be an opportunity for learning, shared experience and to enhance palliative care skills. For more information, please view the [flyer](#) for the network.



NHS Mail Deadline and Webpage

We have created a page on the [Partners in Care webpage](#) that provides answers to frequently asked questions from providers around accessing and using NHS Mail.

All accounts that have been inactive for over 180 days on 1 March will be automatically deleted. Any providers within users due to lose access will receive contact to assist.

It's important that providers have enough staff registered to allow them to communicate securely with health services whenever needed, for instance during an overnight hospital admission or on a weekend. Some homes have been setting up senior nurses and carers as well as admin staff, and any staff who regularly send and receive resident specific information with health services would likely benefit from an account to help them do this more efficiently.

For any NHS Mail queries please contact: sam.varo@nhs.net

Training and Development Opportunities



Integration and
Better Care Fund



Department
of Health &
Social Care

North Regional Webinar – “Coping with Covid: Complex needs, consent and restriction”

**When: Thursday 18 February, 3:00-
4:00pm**

This webinar is the second in a series hosted by ADASS, Department for Health and Social Care and the Better Care Fund to support staff in the care sector to deliver safe care to people in the community. This session will focus on the continued importance of IPC, and the added challenges faced by staff when supporting people with a cognitive impairment.

For more information and booking details please follow this [link](#)



Skills for Care Webinar- Discrimination and Workers’ Rights

**Tuesday 23 February 2021, 10:00
- 11:30**

The focus of this webinar is to share and understand the challenges of discrimination. An expert panel will explore how people are discriminated against, types of discrimination and what individuals can do to address this.

To book your place please follow this [link](#)

Further Information

Baseline Observation Skills Workbook

Carrying out clinical observations can support clinical decision making and these valuable skills can be learnt in any care home setting. Training on why and how to take blood pressure, pulse, temperature and oxygen levels (using pulse oximeters) is available virtually and face to face. There is also a supporting workbook which can be found through this [link](#). The workbook accompanies the practical

Making Sense of COVID-19 Testing and Shedding- Updated Guidance

Please find through this [link](#) updated clinical guidance around shedding which is based on the guidance originally created by Dr Andrew Lee and shared last May. This provides answers to frequently asked questions around interpreting

element of the training. Following training the trainees will need to be observed as competent within the workplace.

For more information regarding this training please contact kay.ford3@nhs.net or sam.varo@nhs.net.

test results, as well as contacts for further support.

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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