



**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](#)



## **COVID-19 Vaccination FAQ's**

Please through this [link](#) updated FAQ's produced by North Yorkshire County Council. These cover questions you and your staff may have about the vaccine including:

- Why should I get a COVID-19 Vaccine?
- I'm worried that the vaccines aren't safe
- Do I need two doses?
- What's the difference between the 3 vaccines?
- I'm pregnant, should I still have the vaccine?



## International Nurses Day 2021

To mark International Nurses Day on Wednesday 12 May, we would love to hear stories from providers on how their nurses have gone above and beyond for those in their care to celebrate the contribution of nursing across the independent care sector. Please send any examples to [sam.varo@nhs.net](mailto:sam.varo@nhs.net).

## Visiting Out of Care Homes- Supplemented Guidance

The guidance on [visiting out of care homes](#) has been supplemented in a [separate document](#) released on 4 May, to include guidance on circumstances where residents can go out the home without needing to isolate on return. All existing guidance on screening, testing and nominated visitors, risk assessments still apply ahead of the resident going out. It is the responsibility of the person escorting the resident to ensure social distancing and any mitigations put in place as part of the planning to reduce risk.

## Need to know



## Applications for Queen's Nurse Are Now Open

The application process to become a Queen's Nurse via The Queen's Nursing Institute is now live. Details including guidance on how to register for a Unique Reference Number, general criteria, and

application process can be [found here](#). **The deadline for applications and all supporting contributions is 5pm on 15 June 2021.**



## **Good News and Shared Learning Across Vale of York Care Providers**

At last week's Partners in Care Virtual Forum we took time to reflect on good news stories, shared learning and innovative activities and support that our care providers have been providing for those in their care. [This month's update](#) includes fundraising challenges, a manager being shortlisted for the Great British Care Awards, a domiciliary care assistant using her art skills to support staff with dementia and a home who have kept in touch with their local primary school through the power of poetry.

If you have any good news stories you would like to share from your provider then we would love to hear them.



## **Deconditioning of Older Adults due to COVID-19**

Yorkshire and Humber Public Health Network have a series of resources on their [website](#) following a webinar around reversing the effects of deconditioning and preventing further harm which took place late last year. This includes reports on the long term effects of COVID and deconditioning, behavioural changes approaches to prevent deconditioning and embedding physical activity in adult social care

## Training and Development Opportunities

### **Proxy Ordering of Medications in Care Homes Webinar**

**When: Thursday 20 May 1.00-2.00**

NHS England and Improvement are hosting a webinar which will provide an overview of proxy ordering, the resources available to care homes to get started and where to find them, local contacts and an opportunity to ask questions. Guest speakers will also be discussing how they implemented proxy ordering in their home and the benefits they have experienced.

To book please follow this [link](#)

### **Growing Older, Living Well Webinar: Supporting People with Dementia to Live a Fulfilling Active Life**

**When: Wednesday 16 June 12.00-1.00**

In this Growing Older, Living Well webinar Jane Nickels from MacIntyre will speak about supporting people with Dementia to live a fulfilling, active life. There will be an opportunity to ask Jane your questions in our Q&A session following her presentation.

To book please follow this [link](#)

## Further Information



## Nursing Times Awards- Nursing in Social Care Category

This year the National Time Awards have launched a new category to recognise the enormous contributions that nursing staff working in social care make. They are keen to recognise the leadership of nurses working in care homes, learning disability or autism services, domiciliary care and other social care settings. However, entry is open to all. Such roles are often multi-faceted, with nurses managing complex health needs, carrying out assessments and providing leadership for other staff. Nurses in social care also play a critical role in championing innovation, all of which they want to recognise and celebrate through this new award category.

To discover more about this category please follow this [link](#) or contact [Rafael.Younes@emap.com](mailto:Rafael.Younes@emap.com). The closing dates for applications is **Friday 4 June**.

## Skin Hygiene in Residential Care Survey

The Improvement Academy in partnership with Birmingham City University and University of Leeds are seeking to understand the barriers and facilitators to skin hygiene (washing, moisturising, emollients) in residential homes (with and without nursing). If you or any of your staff would be happy to complete a 15 minute survey that can be accessed through this [link](#). Or if you would like a hard copy of the survey and a stamped addressed envelope please contact [Fiona.Cowdell@bcu.ac.uk](mailto:Fiona.Cowdell@bcu.ac.uk).

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