### **Partners in Care**

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### Lifetime Skills Guarantee



The Lifetime Skills Guarantee is a Government initiative designed to support the economy and help adults develop their job prospects by gaining in-demand skills.

- The initiative includes full funding for almost 400 level 3 qualifications. Any adult aged 24 or over, who doesn't already hold a full level 3 qualification (A-Level or equivalent), can access the funding.
- There's a wide range of certificates and diploma qualifications which can support the adult social care workforce, including the Level 3 Diploma in Adult Care.

www.skillsforcare.org.uk/Lifetime-Skills-Guarantee

# QCS and Skills for Care announce new partnership



Quality Compliance Systems (QCS) and Skills for Care have joined forces to strengthen the support they provide to registered managers.

Any organisation joining QCS will be offered Skills for Care's registered manager membership.



More information on this partnership will be coming soon.....

"We look forward to working with QCS to ensure registered managers and their staff have access to an even greater suite of resources."

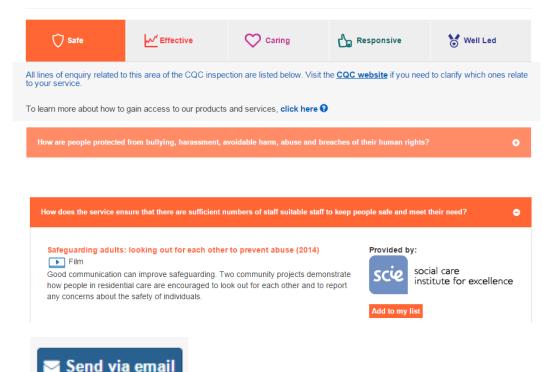
Georgina Turner, Skills for Care's Director of Engagement

"Collectively, we can better understand and respond to the myriad of challenges that front-line leaders face. This itself, is both a significant and transformative step forward." Simon Bunegar, QCS Director of Sales & Marketing



## Care Improvement Works – how it works

#### Safe



- Select the area of inspection you want to improve
- Learn more about related products and services available
- 3. Choose to have access to the resources e-mailed to you

# Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS)



### Our NEW video tells you everything you need to know about ASC-WDS!

• We have produced a brand-new three minute video which details the benefits of using ASC-WDS and how the data within the system can be used by the Government and other stakeholders to make informed decisions about the care sector.

Take a look at the video <a href="https://bit.ly/2Q45Ww3">https://bit.ly/2Q45Ww3</a>



### Survey for frontline care workers and nurses in social care



Ipsos MORI are asking care workers and nurses working in adult social care to complete a short survey to share their views and experiences of using digital devices and technology, both at home and in the workplace.

- £10 shopping voucher to all respondents.
- Survey will take no more than 20 minutes to complete.
- Register for the survey online at <a href="https://ipsos.uk/NHSXdigitalskillsASC">https://ipsos.uk/NHSXdigitalskillsASC</a> or call 0800 15 22 773 to take part.
- Survey closes on 10 June 2021.
- Opportunity to take part in an in-depth interview or discussion group and receive £40 (cash) for your time.

Please encourage your staff to register and complete the survey

### **Learning from events**



#### What is it and who is it for?

- A short digital module which is free to access, to support you to run learning reviews.
- Managers and leaders in all care settings.
- Access £100 Workforce Development Funding.

#### What does the 35 minute module cover?

- What learning reviews are and why they're needed
- How managers can move from completing reviews at an individual level to involving the wider team
- Supporting managers and leaders develop the skills and confidence to carry reviews out effectively within care settings
- Practical tips for embedding learning reviews into the working environment

www.skillsforcare.org.uk/LearningFromEvents



## Supporting people with everyday technology



Skills for Care has a new ongoing learning and development page to support people using everyday technology. Take a look at the short introductory information videos covering the following topics:

- Safety
- Accessibility
- Hardware, software and practical technology
- Creating good video 'spaces'
- Supporting mental and physical health

Visit <u>www.skillsforcare.org.uk/supportingpeoplewithtechnology</u>

From May, we'll be running a series of workshop webinars based on the topics above to explore how social care staff can support people to make choice about using technology to stay connected.

**Book onto the workshops now** 

#### Learn from others



To expand our wellbeing support, we have launched our 'learn from others' area of the website where you'll find good practice stories, and practical tips and ideas from a diverse range of social care providers.

The page will be regularly updated with new stories, but right now you can find:

- Using mindfulness to support mental wellbeing
- Words of wisdom to encourage you to look after your wellbeing
- Compassionate and human approach to leadership
- Created 'staff bubbles' to protect peer-to-peer support

**View the learn from others stories** 





### Workforce wellbeing resource finder



Skills for Care have launched an easy tool to help our social care workforce find trusted resources to support their own or others wellbeing.

#### What types of resources are available through the finder?

- self-help and support for others
- needing someone to talk with confidentially
- support with mental health

www.skillsforcare.org.uk/wellbeing

**NEW:** bite size wellbeing guide for managers

Take a look at our <u>new bite size wellbeing guide</u>, based on the New Economics Foundation Five Ways to Wellbeing.

# Supporting individuals with face coverings



Skills for Care, in partnership with East Sussex County Council Adult Social Care Training Team, has finalised a guide and training programme which set out how to support people with learning disabilities and autistic people with some of the current COVID-19 challenges.

These challenges include:

- wearing face coverings
- sanitising hands
- maintaining social distancing.

This guide aims to help staff, support teams and family members support people to adapt their behaviour without increasing anxiety for themselves or the person they're caring for.

Take a look at the guide here

## New - Care Certificate assessors eLearning course



Created in partnership with Health Education England, the eLearning course has been designed to support existing Care Certificate assessors in refreshing their skills, and for those new to assessing.

Employers can claim £100 from the Workforce Development Fund (WDF) for every employee who successfully completes both sessions, and where WDF eligibility criteria has been met.

There are two 25-minute sessions, which provide an overview of:

- assessment principles
- assessing the Care Certificate in the workplace.

www.skillsforcare.org.uk/Learning-development/inducting-staff/care-certificate/Assessing-and-the-Care-Certificate.aspx





# Webinars to support your service



Our series of over 25 webinars cover a range of topics. They are 30-minutes long and are delivered to a live audience and recorded for further viewing.

- End of life
- HR
- Leading your service
- Recruitment

- Technology
- Training
- Wellbeing



www.skillsforcare.org.uk/registered-manager-webinars

Save the date.....booking details available soon

- Tuesday 22 June: managing complaints in partnership with the Social Care Ombudsman
- Wednesday 7 July: medication focused event with CQC