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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.

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Department
of Health &
Social Care

Revoking Vaccination as a Condition of Deployment Across all Health and Social Care

The Department for Health and Social have launched their consultation on the proposals to revoke vaccination as a condition of deployment in social care. We would encourage care providers to complete the [consultation survey](#) and share your views. The consultation closes on the evening of **Wednesday 16 February**.



Chief Nurse Awards for Adult Social Care

Deborah Sturdy (Chief Nurse for Adult Social Care, Department for Health and Social Care) launched these awards last year which are an opportunity to recognise the outstanding contribution made by social care staff. The awards are designed to celebrate those who go above and beyond in their work, provide outstanding care, commitment and inspiration to colleagues. We would encourage providers to have a think about staff meet these criteria and deserve recognition. We're happy to support with any nominations, and would love to hear from any providers where staff have already receive the award (or other similar awards) so we can share and celebrate their achievements. Slides from an update at last week's Partners in Care Virtual Forum can be found through this [link](#), and further information and the nomination process through this [link](#).

St Leonard's
Hospice
Caring for Local People



NHS
York Teaching Hospital
NHS Foundation Trust

T34 Syringe Driver Training Sessions

York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust in partnership with St Leonards Hospice have arranged an additional set of T34 syringe driver sessions, which are designed for Vale of York care homes and free to access. These will covering a range of subjects including, when it is appropriate to use a syringe driver, the advantages of using a syringe driver, commonly used medicines and diluents and gaining practical experience of setting up a syringe driver. For further information please view this [poster](#) or contact tr.spocYorkcoordinationService@nhs.net

Need to know



Connecting Stars- Interactive Performance Programme for Care Homes

Connecting Stars is a live, virtual and interactive performance programme for care homes. Taking place over Zoom and given by acclaimed dancers and musicians, residents can enjoy exceptionally high quality performances free of charge. These interactive performances are designed to enable residents to talk to their artists, make requests, join in with singing and even dancing! Their versatile artists perform a wide range of repertoire, including classical music, folk tunes, popular classics and movie soundtracks. To see their project in action you can watch this [video](#). They can deliver weekly, fortnightly or monthly performances for care homes and have funding to offer this for free until April 2022. Performances last 45 mins and we take bookings Mon - Fri. Further information on the service can be found through this [flyer](#). To get performances at your home email info@constella.org.uk

Long-COVID Peer Support Group

If you're experiencing symptoms of long-COVID the HCV Resilience Hub health, care and emergency service staff peer support group could help. The informal support group is held every Wednesday and offers you the opportunity to meet with peers who are undergoing similar symptoms and share your experiences in a safe environment. You will also have opportunities to seek further support and ask questions to dedicated professionals. Register your interest by emailing tewv.hcv-resiliencehub@nhs.net.

Moving Beyond COVID: Providing Timely Diagnosis and Support for People Living with Dementia

When: Tuesday 15 March 13.00-16.00

The Clinical Networks in North East and North Cumbria and Yorkshire and the Humber invite you to join this online event which will provide attendees with the opportunity to reflect on the impact of the pandemic on people affected by dementia and service provision for this group. The session will focus on opportunities to improve diagnosis and support going forward. The session will be chaired by Dr Sara Humphrey, Clinical Lead for Dementia and Older People's

Mental Health for Yorkshire and the Humber Clinical Networks. Sessions will include:

- The experiences of a person who is affected by dementia
- How one memory service 'maintained the momentum' by changing their delivery model
- Recommendations and good practice examples from national work with memory services (Leeds Beckett University)
- Management of anti-psychotics for people with dementia - a new toolkit

Further information and the joining details, please follow this [link](#).



Age Friendly York Survey

York is part of the Age Friendly Network which means we work towards making sure people are able to live healthy and active lives as they grow older. They want to [find out your views](#) about "Your Service" which will take about 15 minutes to complete. They are encouraging people to complete the survey who:

- You live in York and are an older person or have an interest in making sure people growing old in York have the best experience
- You work for an organisation that meets the interest of older people in York
- You are part of a volunteer group that engages with older people
- You are a carer or have a neighbour or relative that is an older person in York

If you are completing as an organisation or individually as a practitioner please answer the questions in terms of representing the views and experience of the older people you provide services for. Please note "older person" is deliberately not stated as a specific age as people like to self-define and we are also looking for people to plan ahead for older age. If you require printed copies to give to customers please email AgeFriendlyYork@york.gov.uk or ring Carl Wain on 01904 554595. For further information on the service you can also view their [February newsletter](#).

Learning and Development Opportunities



Project ECHO Palliative Care Clinics

The Project ECHO Team based at St Leonards Hospice 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. Each session is focused on a specific topic, and upcoming sessions include hypercalcaemia and bowel obstruction. For more information, please view the [flyer](#) for the network or contact: ProjectECHOTeam@stleonardshospice.nhs.uk

Upcoming Training Opportunities and Webinars

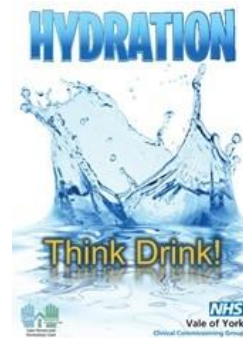
Did you know there is lots more information on training opportunities available through the [Partners in Care Training page](#)? Upcoming sessions include:

- Thursday 17 February 10.00-11.30: Skills for Care Yorkshire and Humber Webinar- Role of the Registered Manager and Nominated Individual
- Thursday 17 February 2022 13:00 – 14:30: Join the Next Virtual Meeting of The Outstanding Society
- Tuesday 1 March 2022 12:00 - 12:30: #ManagingChange: How to Engage Teams in Change The Truth about why People Naturally Resist Change (hint: they don't)
- Tuesday 08 March 10.00-11.30- Skills for Care Yorkshire and Humber Webinar: Preparing for and Improving your CQC Inspection
- Thursday 10 March 2022 13:30 – 16:00: The Future of Digital Skills Development in Adult Social Care: Taking Forward Recommendations from the Adult Social Care Digital Skills Review

Further Information

Contacts for Incident Reporting- Updated Process

- To report any patient safety concerns regarding York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, please complete and submit this [form](#). For York Hospital please send to yhs-tr.s2s@nhs.net or for Scarborough Hospital to freya.oliver@york.nhs.uk. This will allow the Trust to continuously receipt, acknowledge and investigate these concerns.
- To make a complaint or to highlight any concerns regarding Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust, please email vas.patientrelations@nhs.net. Please find through this [link](#) a template which you are able to complete, which will ensure they have all the information required to investigate.



Improving Hydration in Care Home Residents- Programme Launch

As shared last week and discussed at Partners in Care Virtual Forum, the CCG are leading on a quality improvement programme aimed at reducing the incidence of E.Coli bacteraemia across NHS Vale of York CCG and North Yorkshire CCG care homes. The team will be embarking on a programme of work working with care staff to focus on supporting optimum hydration in residents of care homes. The team recognise many homes have innovative ways of working to help support residents with their drinking, and homes will be approached by the nursing team with the offer to participate should they wish.

For further information and to see the workbook and resources developed to support this programme, please follow this [link](#). To express an interest please contact h.degnan1@nhs.net or sarah.fiori@nhs.net.

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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 sam.varo@nhs.net