



**Monday 25 July 2022**

## **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](#)



**Care Home and Supported Living Olympics- Week 6 Update**

We continue to be incredibly impressed by dedication and creativity of our competing care providers in planning their Olympic events, and supporting those in their care in getting active this summer to fight de-conditioning. 17 of our 29 providers have now held their events, and submitted their scores for our provider medal table and eagerly awaiting the final results. Some providers have been forced to postpone their plans due to the heatwave, so we have extended our competition by a couple of weeks to allow them to rearrange.

This week's [Olympic Update](#) shows just some of the incredible ideas that our providers have had to meet the different needs and abilities of all their residents. This includes:

- Fulford Nursing Home's Olympic event- Which included a scent based challenge to include bed bound residents.
- William Wilberforce in Pocklington's action packed day, with wheelchair race where staff assisted the competing residents.
- Sherbutt House and Home Care who are competing in our younger adult category, and their residents make very impressive paper plate discus's to take part in the competition.
- Sycamore House in Bainbridge who included a game of croquet and water pistol based game in their event.



## Funded Training for Adult Social Care- Courses Availability

Please find through this [link](#) a couple of slides kindly shared with us by Skills for Care, which has details of funded training available to adult social care through funding by themselves, NHS Humber and North Yorkshire ICB and Health Education England. The courses available are detailed below, and can be booked by emailing: [info@uniquetrainingsolutions.co.uk](mailto:info@uniquetrainingsolutions.co.uk)

- Diabetes – 3 hour
- Drug, Alcohol and Substance Misuse – 4 hours
- Dysphagia – 3 hours
- Epilepsy with the range of medication – 4 hours

- Well-being for those being supported – 3 hours
- Moving and positioning competency assessor – 2 day
- Care and Support Planning - 6 hours
- Falls and Fragility – 3 hours
- Dementia Care – 3 hours
- Medication for Managers – 6 hours
- Catheter Care – 3 Hours
- Stoma Care – 3 hours
- COPD – 3 hours



## **ENRICH- Enabling Research in Care Homes**

Please find through this [link](#), a letter on behalf of the National Institute for Healthcare Research (NIHR) Clinical Research Network Yorkshire and Humber. They are inviting care homes to join the register for the ENRICH network, which will enable you to receive updates about research studies for the care sector (with no compulsion to take part). There are over 100 homes across the region already registered for the network- which can enable you to take part in research projects which could benefit your staff team and residents, and to learn about research that can contribute to better care for residents.

Further information on the benefits of joining are available in the letter, as well as how to register. Paul and Tom are our local coordinators for ENRICH, and happy to discuss with any interested homes further.

## **Need to know**



## **The Moving Up Programme is Now Open for Registrations**

Our Moving Up programme is aimed at Black, Asian and minority ethnic leaders who are wanting to take the next step in their learning and development. The programme itself supports managers who have the desire and drive to progress in their career but are facing blockages and resistance preventing them from doing so.

Previous participants have come from local government, social care, commissioning organisations, charities, third sector, nurses and occupational health. The Moving Up programme includes a mix of self-learning modules and live online sessions. It provides a great opportunity to network with like-minded people in the sector, learn from others, and share your experiences and ideas.

[Find out more information](#) or [book now](#)



## Respect Model and Resources

North Yorkshire County Council have developed a series of excellent resources to support respect in our everyday work, which may also be of benefit for providers to use as they feel appropriate. The resources available through this bundle include:

- [Respect Model](#)
- [Tips for Managing Difficult Conversations](#)
- [Supporting Each Other](#)
- [Know The Line- Behaviour and Response](#)

**Do not use urine  
dipsticks in patients  
> 65 years old or with  
catheters**

## Working Together to Reduce UTI Prescribing

At this weeks Partners in Care Virtual Forum, we had a present from Susan Broughton around work taking place to reduce antibiotic prescribing for UTI's and the "Do Not Dip" project. You may see changes in how your GP Practice responds to a UTI building on this work. Further information can be found through the [presentation slides](#), but key messages include:

- If antibiotics are used when they are not really required bacteria can develop resistance. There were an estimated 55,000 antibiotic resistant blood stream infections in the UK in 2020, which can easily spread in care settings. They can also cause harm where used inappropriately, with links to stomach/bowel upside and infections such as C. difficile or MRSA.
- Many older people have bacteria in their urine anyway (around 50% of over 65's and an almost 100% with catheters). A dipstick will detect this and test positive, even if it isn't causing an infection. Practices have been asked to diagnose UTIs based on clinical signs and symptoms in the over 65s and those with catheters rather than using a dipstick test.
- We can work together to reduce inappropriate UTI prescribing, including by giving any antibiotics exactly as prescribed, and not doing a dipstick test or dropping in a sample unless requested by a clinician.

For any questions on this project- Please contact: [susanbroughton1@nhs.net](mailto:susanbroughton1@nhs.net)

## Learning and Development Opportunities

### Adult Social Care Minimum Data Set Workshop

**When:** Wednesday 27th July 10-12:00

The NHS Digitising Social Care Programme are holding a workshop to establish what data adult social care providers need to consistently collect from people drawing on social care within the adult social care sector. This is to meet a Department of Health and Social Care policy commitment outlined in the recent [health and social care data strategy](#).



### Project ECHO Palliative Care Clinics- Breathlessness

**When:** Tuesday 02 August 14.00-15.00

The Project ECHO team run through St Leonards Hospice and St

More specifically, they are inviting feedback and input from those delivering care with regards to the DSCR (Digital Social Care Record) Minimum Operational Data Set we are establishing/developing. This data set is essentially a list of required fields, consisting of information such as identifying data like an individual's name or date of birth to care-specific data such as medications and referral information.

Catherine's Hospice are hosting a series of clinics . These are designed and shaped by the community of Nursing staff working across the region in palliative care. On Zoom, these Hospice-led clinics will provide mutual learning, practical guidance, case studies and support.

To register please contact [The Project ECHO Team](#)

## 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](mailto:yhs-tr.s2s@nhs.net) or for Scarborough Hospital to [freya.oliver@york.nhs.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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.



### Contamination of Hygiene Products National Patient Safety Alert- Updated to Include Additional Products

An additional national alert has been released, following an initial alert for hygiene products produced by Vernacare. This has since been updated to include products manufactured by the company under the brand names Caremore, Countrywide, Fairfield, CHL, Fittleworth, CCN and Medirite. The products and reference numbers can be found through this [link](#), as well as what do should have any of these products.

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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](mailto:sam.varo@nhs.net)