



**Care Homes and
Domiciliary Care**

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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

Workforce Development Fund Update

The Department for Health and Social Care (DHSC) has confirmed that the [Workforce Development Fund](#) has been extended for an additional year 2022/23. The government is working in partnership with the social care sector on plans for staff training and support including creating a new knowledge and skills framework to ensure clear paths to progress. As part of this the government will be speaking to training suppliers and the social care sector about potential contracts to develop the best possible learning and development opportunities from April 2023. These learning and development opportunities will include:

- New **financial support to help adult social care employers** with the costs of continued professional development (CPD) for registered nurses and other allied health professionals
- A brand **new Care Certificate** qualification, ending the need for care workers to repeat this training when they move roles. The government will fund more than 100,000 training places for new care workers to complete this new qualification
- Developing a **digital hub and skills passport** for the workforce. This will help provide a voluntary register of staff and verified records of skills and qualifications when moving between providers

Overseas Recruitment in Social Care

The Local Government Association (LGA) has made available a [bitesize guide to overseas recruitment](#) for social care providers in England. The guide sets out the benefits and walks employers through the resources needed, legal requirements, cost, how long it takes and how to ensure successful recruitment. It also draws on real life examples from providers.

Need to know



Fire Safety and Disability Guidance

The Home Office have published updated guidance on fire safety tips for disabled people and those who care for them. It provides practical advice and advice to protect those with disabilities from the risk of fire.

[Fire Safety for People with Sight, Hearing or Mobility Issues](#)

[Fire Safety for People with Sight, Hearing or Mobility Issues \(Accessible Version\)](#)

[Fire Safety for People with Sight, Hearing or Mobility Issues \(Full Publication\)](#)

SURVEY



Delegation of Insulin Administration Survey

York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust are currently piloting some work with care homes to delegate administration of insulin for stable diabetics. To support this work we are re-running a survey from last year, to understand current delegation practice within our area and your thoughts on this project.

If providers would be happy to complete this very brief 3 question [survey](#) that would be a great help. This survey is only designed for care homes falling under York Hospital District Nursing Services (Not for supported living or other services, or those who have Humber district nursing input)



Care Connected Survey

North Yorkshire Council are keen to get the thoughts of providers, to enable them to structure their Care Connected sessions around what you want to see. If any providers would be willing to complete this brief 5 minute [survey](#), they would be very grateful for any thoughts you might have.

Learning and Development Opportunities



From 'Assurance' to 'Improvement'- A Guide to Practical Quality Improvement

When: Monday 05 September 1:00-4:00 via Microsoft Teams

Alongside The Improvement Academy, we have arranged a session that is open to any interested members of staff from across the care sector as a guide to practical quality improvement within your service. The session can also be used to count towards CPD and revalidation. For further information and to book your place- please contact sam.varo@nhs.net

Skills for Care Registered Manager Webinar: Preparing for the Winter Pressures Ahead

When: Wednesday 5 October 2022
10:00 – 10:45

This webinar is aimed at frontline managers and will reflect on what we can expect from the upcoming winter period and how best to prepare for it. It will bring together managers from a range of services to talk through how they're developing contingencies for the winter period and practical ways to protect themselves from the impact of staffing challenges. The webinar will also cover the cost of living challenges, the ongoing pandemic and other key issues.

With live panel discussions and debate, the webinar will provide the opportunity to ask questions and learn about different approaches other services are adopting for the winter ahead.

To register, please follow this [link](#)

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 yas.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.



Support in Accessing Digital Funding- Wi-Fi Improvements in Care Homes

There are a series of sources of funding which care homes are able to access to boost Wi-Fi within their setting. Homes across North Yorkshire and York will be in the process of being contact by the DREAMS Team from East Riding Council, who as well as offering a general digital maturity survey and providing advice and signposting, are also supporting homes in accessing these pots of funding where needed. DREAMS can be contact directly by calling 01482 396622 or emailing dreamsteam@eastiridng.gov.uk

F4IT are the service provider for the Samsung Tablet scheme currently able to care homes, and are able to conduct a Wi-Fi review of homes. This will then be fed back into the DREAMS team who are supporting homes in obtaining additional quotes in order to access funding. To find more about the F4IT offer please view this [flyer](#).

Please note this support is not yet available to domiciliary or supported

living services, but it is anticipated this will be extended going forward.

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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