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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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Testing on Discharge from Hospital Guidance

Following discussion at last week's Partners in Care Forum, we're just resharing the [current guidance](#) with regard to testing on discharge from hospital.

If an individual tests negative for COVID-19 and has no symptoms of COVID-19 and is being discharged to a care home from a location in the hospital where there

was an active outbreak, they should be isolated for 10 days from the date of admission to the care home, regardless of whether their overnight hospital stay was planned (elective) or unplanned. This is to prevent possible introduction of infection into the care home. Information about hospital outbreak status should be provided as part of the discharge process. Individuals who are isolating for this reason and who are able to participate in daily testing may have lateral flow testing from day 5 (counting the day of admission to the care home as day 0). They can end isolation after 2 consecutive negative tests 24 hours apart, or after 10 days' isolation if they remain asymptomatic.

During isolation, residents should be enabled to receive one visitor at a time (this does not need to be the same visitor throughout the isolation period) and have access to outside space to assist rehabilitation if possible.



COVID-19 Autumn Booster and Flu Vaccination Access for Social Care Staff

All frontline health and social care staff are eligible for this year's vaccination programme, which remains the best way to protect yourself and those in your care and vital in breaking the chain of infection. There are several ways in which staff can access free COVID-19 and flu vaccines across this autumn and winter. Where possible and supplies allow, providers are endeavouring to provide both vaccinations simultaneously this year.

- For staff working in care homes- where supplies allow, vaccination teams will be able to vaccinate staff at the same time as residents.
- Askham Bar Vaccination site in York is open to walk in's from (open 8:00-20:00 daily) Please bring your work ID as this is available for health and social care staff only. The site can be busy so please factor this in if you are visiting.
- Alternatively you are able to book an appointment for Askham Bar or other local sites (We know many of you have staff from Leeds, Scarborough, Hull and the wider area) through the [National Booking System](#) or by calling 119.
- Citywide Pharmacies across York are offering both COVID-19 and flu vaccinations. To book your appointment please follow this link- <https://www.citywidehealth.co.uk/>
- Other local pharmacy chains across the area also offering flu vaccination, and you can book appointments via their website.

Please encourage your staff to book in for a vaccination as soon as they are able, it will make an invaluable difference in keeping people well and supporting yourselves and our local health and care system operate during the difficult winter period. There are a series of posters and Q&A leaflets you can display in your setting, or share virtually which can be accessed through this [link](#). Alternatively we are expecting some hard copies which we can give to providers who would like some. For any questions or if experiencing difficulties in access, please contact sam.varo@nhs.net



Capacity Tracker
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Capacity Tracker- Mandatory Submission Window

A reminder that this week is the Department of Health and Social Care's mandatory submission window, where **ALL** CQC registered care homes and domiciliary care services must complete the Capacity Tracker at least once in the period **8th-14th of each month**. This information is used at ministerial and national level to understand the pressures on the care sector. A reminder that providers are still asked to complete daily where possible, and thank you to all of you for continuing to update. The information make a vital difference in sourcing care packages in and help get people back into their own home and out of hospital.

Need to know

The logo for Jobcentreplus, featuring the word "jobcentreplus" in a sans-serif font. "job" is in white, "centre" is in yellow, and "plus" is in white, all set against a solid green rectangular background.

Job Centre Plus Work Coach Upskilling Session- Can You Help?

Job Centre Plus are looking for a willing member of care staff/ care ambassador or would be willing help provide upskilling to their work coaches, by helping enhance their undertaking of the different roles in social care and what tasks and responsibilities they involve. This will really help them in promoting vacancies in the social care sector to those who they work with. If you or somebody you know would be interested and available to come to York Monkgate Jobcentre YO31 7JZ on **Wednesday 12 October 9am-9.45am** then please contact

JENNY.SHAW@DWP.GOV.UK



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T34 Syringe Driver Training

A set of further training sessions on the BD Bodyguard syringe driver have been made available, which are designed for care home nurses from the York and Selby area. This will cover when to appropriate to put one in place, knowledge of commonly used medicines and diluents and how to set up a syringe driver. For more information and dates please follow this [link](#), or contact [yhs-](#)

tr.spocYorkcoordination@nhs.net



Recognising and Responding to Acute Deterioration in Care Homes- Research Opportunity

The RESPOND study is looking to speak to any interested staff in older person's care homes who would be happy to share their experiences of caring for acutely unwell residents. The study is looking to understand how acute deterioration is identified and managed from a care staff perspective and ensuring their voices are heard, with the aim to use this to co-produce a framework to manage this acute deterioration with care home staff. For more information please see the study [poster](#) which can be displayed, or a more detailed [summary](#). You can also contact Sevim Hodges at: ntxsyh@nottingham.ac.uk



We are Social Care Nursing October Bulletin

This month's edition of the Social Care Nursing Bulletin can be found through this [link](#), and includes the below articles relevant to the sector. To register to receive this please follow this [link](#).

- Spotlight On: Being a Learning Disability Nurse
- Update from Deborah Sturdy (Chief Nurse for Adult Social Care, DHSC)- Making Research Matter Everyday
- National Institute for Health Research Senior Nurse Leaders Programme
- IMPACT ('Improving Adult Care Together')- The New UK Centre for Implementing Evidence in Adult Social Care
- We are Social Care Nursing Conference.



Development of Voluntary Delegated Healthcare Interventions

When: Wednesday 19 October 13:00-15:00

The Department of Health and Social Care and Skills for Care are holding a stakeholder event on 19 Oct for health and social care colleagues to get involved and shape the development of the new voluntary delegated healthcare interventions framework. The [booking link](#) is now live with limited places. For more information and who should attend, please visit the booking link or contact policy@skillsforcare.org.uk

Learning and Development Opportunities

An Update on the Government's National Recruitment Campaign for Adult Social Care

When: Monday 17 October 10:00-10:45

Preparations are now underway for the next phase of the adult social care recruitment campaign, Made with Care, which is due to launch later this year. The high-profile campaign aims to help you recruit the dedicated staff you need by inspiring people with the right values to consider a career in adult social care and increasing the number of quality candidates applying for roles.

You can sign up for a webinar to find out more about how the campaign can support your recruitment methods. There'll be an introduction to the campaign and the wide array of assets



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New Continence Screening Tool- Training Sessions

York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust are in the process of introducing a new screening tool, to replace the current continence questionnaire/assessment which is completed by district nursing for those in receipt of residential care.

available, as well as an opportunity to ask any questions.

To book your place, please follow this [link](#)

The new Screening Tool can be completed by the Resident or Carer, before involving the District Nurse.

Half hour virtual training sessions are available to support providers in utilising the tool, and staff from any care setting are welcome to attend a session to cascade in a "train the trainer" model. Upcoming dates can be found through this [link](#). For more information or to book, please contact: Clare.Markwell@york.nhs.uk

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



Project ECHO Palliative Care Skills Network

November will see the launch of the new Project ECHO Palliative Care Skills Network. This is a supportive forum open to all Would front line care staff from across health and social care to plan and provide best practice palliative care. Upcoming sessions will cover recognition, communication and involving a person at the end of life and other who are important to them in making decisions. Further information can be found through this [flyer](#), or by contacting: ProjectECHOTeam@stleonardshospice.nhs.uk

have all the information required to investigate.

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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