



**Monday 21 November 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](#)



## Access to Winter Vaccination for Social Care Staff

A reminder that all frontline social care staff are eligible for both the COVID-19 booster and flu vaccination this winter, and staff are strongly encouraged to take up this offer. Vaccination remains the best way to protect yourself and those in

your care from serious illness this winter, and strengthen our health and care system against infection. Through this [link](#) you can access a set of slides shared at last weeks Partners in Care Virtual Forum, which detail how staff across the area can access this winter.

- The Askham Bar site in York is now available for walk in appointments, and are able to co-vaccinate those registered with a York GP practice simultaneously with both flu and COVID.19 booster.
- CityWide pharmacies across York have opened a number of new vaccination sites including in Clifton, Poppleton, Acomb and Bishopthorpe Road. These sites are open for [booked appointments](#) and can also simultaneously vaccinate.
- Pharmacies across the area continue to offer the flu vaccination, which can be booked through individual websites.
- Information around access in the wider North Yorkshire area including Pickering, Malton, Harrogate, Knaresborough, Northallerton and Scarborough can be found through this [link](#).

Remember to please bring work ID to guarantee you will be accepted for vaccination. There are a series of [resources](#) available which can be shared with staff or displayed to support vaccination uptake. Are you struggling to access vaccinations for your staff or need further support? Please for contact [sam.varo@nhs.net](mailto:sam.varo@nhs.net) and we will endeavour to help.

DHSC weekly update featured a fantastic blog from one of our providers in North Yorkshire - Vida Healthcare stresses the importance of care home staff and residents having both COVID-19 and flu vaccinations. It's a positive piece, which also emphasises care providers' duty to protect the wellbeing of colleagues and support them to enjoy rewarding careers. To read the full blog click [here](#)

### **COVID-19 and Flu Vaccinations: Webinar and Live Q&A for Care Workers**

**When:** Monday 21 November at 1:00

This webinar and live Q&A for care workers will provide a great opportunity to find out more about the vaccines and put your questions to the experts. To attend please register through this [link](#):



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## Perfect Discharge Week (For York Area Providers)

Colleagues from York Hospital, NHS York Health and Care Partnership and City of York Council Social Services, will be working differently during the week of 21 November to 25 November 2022, to facilitate as many discharges from the York Acute, Community sites and York Care Unit

Recently City of York Council have between 30 and 50 clients who are medically fit for discharge but for a variety of reasons they cannot be transferred into the community as local services cannot be found for them. From Monday 21, we are sharing our resources and thinking differently- but we need your assistance to make this happen. Please can we ask you to ensure your information on the capacity tracker is up to date, and therefore we can concentrate our efforts with those of you who do have vacancies. A reminder that beds entered into the "vacant accepting admissions" section should be only those beds which you have the staffing and capacity to admit to at present, and any other vacancies should be added to the "vacant not accepting admissions" section. We will also need updated information from domiciliary providers, as most people want to return home with appropriate support.

As always the discharge hub at York hospital will be the place for exchange of information. Contacts for the City of York Perfect Discharge Week are:

[Dawn.Benson@York.nhs.uk](mailto:Dawn.Benson@York.nhs.uk)- Senior Ops Manager York Discharge

[Penny.Ainsley@york.gov.uk](mailto:Penny.Ainsley@york.gov.uk) - Manager City of York Council Hospital Team

[Anita.Griffiths1@nhs.net](mailto:Anita.Griffiths1@nhs.net)- York Place Single Discharge Coordinator



Thank you to all those who took part in this years International Stop the Pressure Day, to raise awareness of the impact pressure damage can cause and how we can work together to prevent it in our services. Sarah Coggon (Tissue Viability Nurse, York Hospital) provided a really comprehensive refresher session at last weeks Partners in Care which covered the causes of pressure damage, signs to look out for, categorisations, difference between pressure damage and moisture and how we can prevent and respond to them for those in our care. The slides from this session can be accessed through this [link](#).



Humber Teaching NHS Foundation Trust's SALT team have produced a [video training session](#) on awareness of swallowing difficulties. The team provide the community nursing service across the Scarborough, Ryedale, Filey, Whitby and Pocklington patch. This 30 minute video is appropriate for carers and registered nurses, and would also be beneficial to kitchen staff and people who are new to care work. The focus is on awareness of swallowing difficulties and the steps prior to diet and fluid modification, and references the a care home swallowing pack. There are plans to make a further video covering diet/fluid modification which will be shared once ready.

## Need to know



### Syringe Driver Training

Further information on upcoming training sessions available to nursing staff across the patch to support in using syringe drivers can be found below.

- [Vale of York Area \(York and Scarborough NHS Teaching Hospitals Foundation Trust/St Leonard's Hospice\)](#)
- [Scarborough and Whitby \(St Catherine's Hospice/Project ECHO\)](#)
- [Harrogate \(Harrogate District NHS Foundation Trust\)](#)

### Immedicare Training- December

The latest virtual training sessions available from Immedicare can be accessed through this [link](#). These are designed for both registered and non-registered staff from any service who utilises the Immedicare Telemedicine service. Sessions coming up include Verification of Expected Death, End of Life Care, UTI's, Nutrition and Hydration and Catheter Care.



### Save on your Energy Bills – Special Support for Social Care

A programme has launched to support social care workers, people who draw on care and support, and family carers to save hundreds of pounds on their energy bills. Taking Charge offers free interactive webinars and accessible resources, specially tailored to the home-life and working routines of people who work in

social care, and the people they support. Created by Community Integrated Care, it draws together expert advice from leading energy organisations and the perspectives of people it supports and their colleagues. For more information please follow this [link](#).



## Access to Dental Care in Care Homes Survey (Closes to Responses Today)

We have been made aware that a number of care homes have been experiencing prolonged difficulties in accessing dental care for your residents when required. We would really value your input in completing a quick survey and in sharing your experiences of dental services, which will be invaluable in understanding this issue in more detail and to inform any measures we can put in place to support providers. **To access the survey please follow this [link](#). The deadline for responses is Monday 21 November.**

## Learning and Development Opportunities

### STOP the Pressure Virtual Study Day 2022

**When:** Tuesday 22 November- All Day via Microsoft Teams

York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust will be hosting a wide ranging study day later in the month, which is relevant to all whether registered or non-registered in supporting individuals from 0-100+ years old in all care settings. The day will be broken down into a series of sessions, and staff are welcome to attend either the full



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day or just individual sessions as you feel appropriate.

These sessions are:

- Session 1- Categorising Pressure Ulcers & Determining Moisture Associated Skin Damage
- Session 2- Promoting Good Nutrition in Patients with Skin Damage & Pressure Ulcers
- Session 3- PURPOSE T Risk Assessment in Paediatrics
- Session 4- Using Re-positioning in 24 hour Pressure Care
- Session 5- Preventing and Managing Heel Pressure Ulcers
- Session 6- Pressure Ulcers Safeguarding Considerations & Helping Non Concordant Patients
- Session 7- TIMES Wound Assessment of Pressure Ulcers and Dressing Choices

For further information and booking details, please follow this [link](#).

York, YO24 1AA (Or join us virtually)

We are delighted to announce that building on the success of a conference we held in 2019, we will be holding a follow up event this December which is open to all care providers and those who support them in a professional capacity from across our local area. This exciting day will aim to share with you the latest work happening in the care sector across York and North Yorkshire, and listen to your expertise and suggestions for working together as health and social care colleagues in the future. Further information can be found through this link.

We have currently allocated all our in person places for the event- **But can confirm that the conference will now also be able to be joined virtually.** To register your virtual place please follow the link below. If further in person places become available, we will offer those to virtual attendees in priority order of registration. So if you would be keen to join us at the venue we would recommend to book soon! If you have already booked your place we will be sharing more information about the event very shortly.

**[To Book Your Virtual Place Please Follow This Link](#)**



For any further queries about this event please contact [sam.varo@nhs.net](mailto:sam.varo@nhs.net).

## Further Information



### Care Home Nurses Network

The Care Home Nurses Network is a jointly funded initiative by the Chief Nursing Officer England, the Queen's Nursing Institute and the RCN Foundation.

- Would you like to be part of a national network of nurses working in the care home setting?
- Would you like to learn from and listen to the latest research, best practice, innovation and policy?
- Do you want to feel energised and motivated by the network?
- Do you want to use your voice and get involved in the work the QNI does, to represent your discipline within Nursing?

To join the network, please register your details [here](#) and choose the "Care Home Nurses Network" as your area of interest. You can also sign up for email updates from us and join other QNI networks.

The next meeting is 23 November 2022 2-3.30pm [book here](#)



### Department of Health & Social Care

#### Get Nominating- Chief Nurse for Adult Social Care Awards

Last year, Deborah Sturdy (Chief Nurse for Adult Social Care England, Department for Health and Social Care) launched an awards programme 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.

Further information on the award including the nomination criteria can be found through this [link](#). 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 if you submit an application please copy us in so we can also celebrate the outstanding work undertaken everyday by care staff in our area.

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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)