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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.

[Please click here to bookmark these pages](#)



Health and Social Care: Achieving Excellence Conference- Thank You

A big thank you to all those who joined us at last week's Health and Social Care: Achieving Excellence Conference in York. We had approaching 200 attendees coming together from across the sector and joining us either in person or virtually, for a fantastic day which highlighted some of the amazing practices and joint work taking place within North Yorkshire and York to support those in our care. It was a really positive day covering a range of learning and opportunities for providers including around how we support our workforce, quality improvement work around nutrition and hydration, advance care planning, digital opportunities, the role of the Lead GP in care homes and much more. From the feedback we've already received- we know many of you have already have plans to implement some of the key points from the day in your setting. Full slides and resources from the day will be circulated to all attendees and providers very shortly.



Christine Burnett- BBC Make a Difference Award Winner

We were delighted to hear that Christine Burnett who has worked at Ebor Court in York for the last 10 years, has recently won the BBC Make a Difference Award in the Carer Category. The award for which she was nominated by her friends and colleagues, recognised Christine for her outstanding contribution in improving the life of an individual or group of people by caring for them on a regular basis. Further information can be found through this [link](#)- and a big congratulations to Christine for being recognised for this accolade. Award like demonstrate the sheer amount of passion in our sector, and the number of people who go above and beyond to support those in their care.

If you have any good news stories from your service we would love to share them- Please contact sam.varo@nhs.net to include in a future bulletin.



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Helping to Improve Access to Cancer Screening for People with a Learning Disability

Marie Kotzur from the University of Glasgow is looking for paid and family carers in England to take part in an interview. The researchers are offering participants a gift card of £30 as a thank you for giving their time.

The study aims to understand the experience of screening for breast, bowel, and cervical cancers among people with learning disabilities, how their access to screening can be improved, and what could make cancer screening easier for

people with learning disabilities. The researchers are keen to speak with carers who support women with learning disabilities aged 25 to 75 years and/or men with learning disabilities aged 60-75 years. The interview can be by telephone or video call and the interviews will last between 30 and 60 minutes.

To find out more please follow this [link](#). If you would like to ask any questions about the study, or if you are interested in taking part, please call or text Marie on 07432828458 or by email: marie.kotzur@glasgow.ac.uk.

Need to know



Developing a Minimum Dataset for Homecare (DACHA-DOM)

Population Health Sciences Institute at Newcastle University and the Social Policy Research Unit at the University of York are conducting a survey of homecare providers. They're asking how homecare data is collected, recorded and stored, together with the barriers faced. The project is focused on understanding the feasibility of implementing a 'minimum data set in homecare', meaning a system of standardized data collection that could be used to evaluate the support needs of local populations over time, inform resource allocation and monitor quality. You can learn more in their recent [Care Management Matters column](#).

To complete the survey, please follow this [link](#).



Made with Care Campaign

The Department of Health and Social Care's (DHSC) [Made with Care campaign has returned](#) to highlight the range of opportunities to build a career in adult social care and help others live happy, healthy and fulfilling lives. A suite of easy-to-use [campaign materials](#) are available for you to help advertising job opportunities locally. They feature imagery and messaging from the national adverts, but you can add your own logo and details too. To find out more please follow this [link](#).



New NICE Advocacy Guidance

This new guidance covers advocacy for people using health and social care services in all adult settings (including young people under 18 using adult services). It describes how to commission and deliver effective advocacy, as well as identifying who should be offered advocacy (including who is legally entitled to it). It also covers monitoring and improving advocacy services, and training and skills for advocates and practitioners. To view the new guidance please follow this [link](#).



Trusted Assessment Forms (TAFs)- Quality Improvement and Survey

North Yorkshire and City of York Council are working in partnership with York and Scarborough Hospital Foundation Trust to improve the quality and contained information of the Trusted Assessment Forms (TAFs). The TAFs are the supporting documents, sent to providers, when a patient is deemed as medically optimised and fit for discharge. The aim of the improvement work, is to support providers to speed up their decision making around accepting a person into a Residential / Nursing establishment or for a package of care in the person's own home.

The aim of this improvement work is to reduce the number of delays at the acute hospital sites, who are under the extreme pressures due to delays in discharging people at the right time. As part of this work, we would like to offer our providers a voice in this work and the chance to engage in the development of a 'gold standard TAF'. Please can we ask that you complete the short survey below, this will only take 5 minutes of you time and this will feed into the on-going development workshops.

Please click this link to access [Survey](#). If you would like to discuss this work further, please contact:

[Mark Galloway](#), Service Manager Integrated Health and Social Care – NYCC
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Helping You Stay Well This Winter

If you're worried about your health, don't delay, your NHS wants to see you – help us help you get the care you need this winter. Winter conditions can be bad for our health, especially for people aged 65 or older, and people with long-term conditions such as heart or kidney disease, COPD (including emphysema and chronic bronchitis), asthma or diabetes. A leaflet produced by the NHS with important information that can help you stay well this winter can be found through this link, which may be particularly useful to those colleagues visiting who visit residents in their own homes. This covers how to access winter vaccinations, staying warm, accessing prescriptions, keeping active and mental support among others.

A reminder that support and guidance to help with living costs is available from our local authorities, and can be found through the below links:

[Government help with energy costs – City of York \(york.gov.uk\)](https://www.york.gov.uk)

[Cost of living support – North Yorkshire \(northyorks.gov.uk\)](https://www.northyorks.gov.uk)

[Help for households – East Riding \(eastriding.gov.uk\)](https://www.eastriding.gov.uk)

Learning and Development Opportunities

Networking for Learning Disability Nurses in Social Care

Many learning disability nurses work in social care settings, in a wide variety of roles. It can be isolating sometimes, particularly if you don't have other learning disability nurses in your organisation.

The Royal College of Nursing (RCN) Learning Disability Nursing Forum has organised an online networking event for learning disability nurses working in social care to help nurses connect with each other, share experiences, and identify ways to support each other.

For more information please follow this [link](#).



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.

Further Information

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 the



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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

recent Partners in Care Virtual Forum, which detail how staff across the area can access this winter.

- Information around access in the wider North Yorkshire area 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 and we will endeavour to help.

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