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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 across North Yorkshire and York. [Please click here to bookmark these pages](#)



COVID Testing for Individuals Discharged to Care Homes

We're sharing a reminder that there is still an expectation as per national guidance that individuals being discharged into a care home from hospital should have an LFD test completed within the 48 hours prior to discharge. The relevant excerpt from guidance can be found below.

Individuals being discharged from hospital into a care home should be tested with a COVID-19 LFD test within 48 hours before planned discharge. This test should be provided and done by the hospital. The result of the test should be shared with the individual and their key relatives or advocate. The relevant care should be provided within the hospital before the discharge takes place. Evidence of a negative LFD test result should be communicated by hospitals to care homes in writing within the usual communications provided at the time of discharging a patient to a care home. Individuals who test positive for COVID-19 can be admitted to the care home if the home is satisfied they can be cared for safely. Individuals who are admitted with a positive test result should be kept away from other residents on arrival and should follow the guidance on [care home residents who test positive for COVID-19](#). The period individuals should stay away from others is from the day after the positive test and does not restart when the individual is admitted into the care home. If the individual has already tested positive before the planned discharge, they do not need to test again if they continue to have symptoms of a respiratory infection and feel unwell or have a high temperature.

Where providers experience any issues around this we would encourage you to escalate through their usual routes the discharging ward, and to the ICB if still not resolved.



IPC Bulletin: To Dip or Not to Dip? UTIs in Those Over 65 years OR Catheterised Adults

The Community Infection Prevention Team have produced their [latest bulletin](#) covering whether to use dipsticks to aid diagnosis of a urinary tract infection (UTI).

Whilst this test has some diagnostic value in those who are aged under 65, it becomes more unreliable when the resident is over 65 years of age. In fact, residents over 65 years of age are more likely to have bacteria present in their urine which is not causing any infection. This is called asymptomatic bacteriuria. By 80 years of age, half of older adults in care, and most with a urinary catheter, will have bacteria in their bladder/urine, but not have a UTI. The bacteria in the

bladder produce an enzyme which turns nitrates into nitrites which shows as positive on the dipstick. The positive dipstick result happens if the person has a UTI and if they have asymptomatic bacteriuria so does not help you diagnose a UTI if the person is over 65 or if they have a catheter.



Care Connected- Join Us On Wednesday

The next session of our new care provider forum "Care Connected" will take place on **Wednesday 26 July 10.30-11.30**, which is open to all care providers and partner organisations from across North Yorkshire and York. The group is facilitated jointly by City of York Council, North Yorkshire Council and NHS Humber and North Yorkshire ICB and designed to help you access the updates relevant to you and your teams from across health and social care in one single place. The meeting takes place through Microsoft Teams every two weeks- to register to attend please follow this [link](#).

Topics covered in this session will include:

- ✓ Co-Production Fundamentals
- ✓ Service Development Engagement Plan (North Yorkshire)
- ✓ Visiting in Care Homes- Calls for Evidence

These sessions will also be an opportunity to share key updates such as guidance changes and news from local services, quality improvement initiatives and programmes, learning and development, workforce, health and wellbeing, sharing of good practice and your chance to ask both questions of local services and fellow providers. If you are unable to make the session or you would like to access previous Care Connected, you can do so through the following [link](#).

Registered Manager Legacy Nurse Opportunity

Pay Grade: M (£42,503-£46,549)

12 Month Fixed Term Contract

Hours: Up to 37 hours per week, applications welcome for part time hours with opportunities to job share

Do you want a rewarding opportunity that makes the most of your experience?

Do you want to inspire and support the next generation of Registered Managers?

If so, our registered manager legacy nurse role may be of interest to you. To find out more about this opportunity please follow this [link](#). The closing date for expressions of interest is **Friday 28 July**.

Need to know



North Yorkshire and York Care Provider Olympics- Celebrating Physical Activity in Our Sector and Announcing our 2023 Champions

When: Thursday 27 July 3.00-4.00

The 2023 North Yorkshire and York Care Provider Olympics has now concluded and the scores from our competing providers are nearly all in. We're looking forward to celebrating the innovative and inspiring work led by providers across our area to deliver high quality and person-centred activities to those in our care, and announcing our 2023 champions at our Olympic Closing Ceremony on [Thursday 27 July 3.00-4.00](#) to which all are welcome. Our latest [Olympic bulletin](#) shares all the action from our final week of the competition, showcasing the amazing work of teams across our area to support movement and wellbeing for all.

The logo features the text 'Adult Social Care Nurse Leadership Programme' in white on a blue background, with 'York and North Yorkshire' in white on an orange background below it.

Adult Social Care Nurse Leadership Programme York and North Yorkshire



Adult Social Care Nurse Leadership Programme- NY+Y

Skills for Care has developed this programme to support registered nurses working in social care (who are in a leadership role) develop their leadership practice and enhance their personal and professional impact when managing teams. The programme is made up of five interactive workshops covering a range of leadership concepts and theories. These will enable participants to develop the required knowledge and skills to enhance their leadership practice when working across complex and often challenging systems. There will be presentations, discussions, and exercises to take part in, including 360 appraisals and work-based projects to embed learning and further support the development of leadership and management skills. We're offering 20 funded places to organisations based in York and North Yorkshire as well as a backfill payment of £1000 per participant to employers.

Further information including how to apply can be found through this [link](#). The deadline for applications is **Monday 21 August**.



An Introduction to Living with Dementia My Life, My Goals

When: Monday 4 September and Monday 9 October 10.00-1.00 at Foxwood Community Centre, York

Beetle Bank Social Farm in York are hosting a pair of workshops open to individuals with early to moderate stage dementia and their care partners. This is designed as an introduction to the "Living with Dementia- My Life, My Goals" framework which has been designed by individuals with dementia alongside researchers. The guide is intended to provide:

- Hope that there are ways of managing any difficulties
- Hope that there are solutions to problems
- Hope that you can live a good life with dementia

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

Introduction to the Northeast Business Resilience Centre

The NEBRC is a not for profit, independent, limited company established to help protect and prepare businesses across the North East and Yorkshire and the Humber from online crime and fraud. The organisation is funded by private corporate business, the Home Office and the Police. The aim of the centre is to help businesses to make informed choices on keeping cyber secure, through a free Core Membership package. As part of this free Membership, you will receive a monthly e-newsletter with the latest advice and guidance on cyber security matters, as well as a Welcome Pack which contains information on everything you need to know about the NEBRC. To register for the NEBRC please follow this [link](#).

This [short video](#) highlights the importance to social care organisations of keeping up to date with current cyber threats, challenges to data safety and risks to their organisation.

Learning and Development Opportunities

BD Bodyguard Syringe Driver Training- Vale of York Providers

When: Tuesday 22 August 1.00-4.00 at
Tang Hall Clinic, Fifth Avenue, York

These sessions 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 dilutants and how to set up a syringe driver.

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

Introduction to Palliative Care- Scarborough, Ryedale and Whitby Providers

When: Tuesday 19 September
9.30-4.30, Education Centre,
Saint Catherine's Hospice

Designed for nurses new to delivering palliative care in any setting in Scarborough, Whitby or Ryedale. Topics include introduction to community palliative care, recognising dying and advance care planning.

For further information 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](#) and send to yhstr.s2s@nhs.net 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

Chief Nurse for Adult Social Care Awards- Nominate Your Team!

The Chief Nurse Awards are an opportunity to recognise the outstanding contribution made by social care staff, and celebrate those who go above and beyond in their work, provide outstanding care, commitment and inspiration to colleagues. As well as being able to nominate individual staff members for a gold and silver award, there is now also the chance to nominate your team!

they have all the information required to investigate.

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?**

If so please contact sam.varo@nhs.net