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Our North Yorkshire and York Care Providers

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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](#)



Care Connected- Your North Yorkshire and York Care Provider Forum

The next session of our care provider forum "Care Connected" will take place on **Wednesday 07 February 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:

- ✓ Dementia Prevention in Care Sector- Dementia Forward Update
- ✓ Assistive Falls Technologies Overview
- ✓ Falls Prevention Grant Application Launch (North Yorkshire Providers)

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](#).



**National
Patient
Safety Alert**

National Patient Safety Alert- Medical Beds, Trolleys, Bed Rails, Bed Grab Handles and Lateral Turning Devices: Risk of Death From Entrapment or Fall

We are resharing the above [national alert](#) which was originally released in August 2023, following reports of death and entrapment relating to medical equipment. According to investigations, deaths were found to involve factors including inadequate risk assessment, maintenance issues and children and adults of small stature using beds which are designed for use by adults with typical body dimensions. The alert requests a series of actions for providers around maintenance, training and risk assessment. It is asked that all providers ensure they are familiar with the notification and take relevant action as appropriate.

It is expected that all providers as standard practice are registered to receive alerts directly to support the safety of those in your care. For information on how register please follow this [link](#) or contact safetyalerts@mhra.gov.uk.



Our Draft Guidance on Visiting Care Homes, Hospitals and Hospices: Tell CQC What You Think

CQC are asking for views on our proposed guidance to help providers understand and meet the new standard on visiting and accompanying in care homes, hospitals, and hospices. The guidance also sets out what people using health and social care services and their families, friends or advocates can expect. They would like to hear views from the public and providers, their representatives, and other stakeholders.

This consultation is limited to guidance about the new fundamental standard. It does not cover the scope and content of the visiting legislation itself, which was looked at by the Department of Health and Social Care's own consultation. The consultation on our guidance closes at midday on **20 February 2024**.

- [News: Consultation on our guidance on visiting in care homes, hospitals and hospices](#)
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Rise in Measles Cases – Check You and Your Family Have Had the MMR Vaccine

The UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) recently declared a national incident as a result of a rise in measles cases across the UK. Measles is a viral illness that spreads very easily through airborne transmission. Measles is more than just a rash and can lead to serious complications including meningitis and blindness.

All staff should be up to date with their routine immunisations, including tetanus, diphtheria, polio and MMR (measles, mumps and rubella). Two doses of the MMR vaccine gives 99% life-long protection against measles – you can check your vaccination status with your GP practice if unsure. Unvaccinated individuals who come into contact with someone with measles may be asked isolate for up to 21 days, which is the length of time it can take to develop the illness after being in contact with a measles case.

It is never too late to catch up on any missed doses of MMR vaccination; people can request any missed doses at any age. Getting vaccinated not only protects you, but also helps protect people you work with and care for.

Need to Know



Capacity Tracker- DHSC Mandatory Submission Reminder

A reminder to all CQC registered care homes and providers of domiciliary services, that the window will be opening this week for the mandated Department

of Health and Social Care submission through the Capacity Tracker. All providers must complete the tracker at least once during this period at a condition of registration. The window this month falls between the **8 February** and **14 February**, and there are potential fines as a last resort for providers who do not update- so please be mindful of this. Further information on how the regulations will be enforced can be found through this link. A reminder this doesn't replace the need for more regular (preferably daily) usage to allow local authority and health partners to support providers. For any support regarding the Capacity Tracker please contact the national helpdesk on: **0191 691 3729**



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North Yorkshire and York Palliative and End of Life Care Group- Care Provider Representative Opportunity

Are you passionate about high quality and person-centred end of life care provision, and would be interested in acting as a care provider representative contributing to service improvement across our area? We are looking for a representative from the adult social care sector to join the North Yorkshire and York Palliative and End of Life Care Group, which is a multi-agency group with representation from acute, community, primary care, mental health, hospice, local authority, ICB and wider partners involved in the delivery of end of life care. The group works in partnership with key stakeholders to:

- Collectively influence the development of improved palliative and end of life care services across North Yorkshire and York in line with best practice standards.
- Promote the integration and alignment of services across key stakeholders in health, social care and the third sector system resulting in positive outcomes for people who have palliative care needs or who are at the end of their life, and also for their families /carers.
- Guide the provision of evidence-based interventions and best practice
- To contribute to key pieces of work and support the development, implementation, commissioning and monitoring of palliative and end of life care services
- Support and inform the existing palliative and end of life education and drive forward any key pieces of work where an area of focus is required

This is an opportunity to ensure the voice of social care is heard and used to shape palliative care service delivery across our area to support best outcomes for those in our care. The group meets every 3 months via Microsoft Teams- though there will be opportunity to contribute to additional groups to support the delivery of key workstreams should you wish. To express an interest or to discuss the opportunity further please contact sam.varo@nhs.net or nikki.henderson1@nhs.net



St Leonards Hospice Selby Wellbeing Hub

When: Every Tuesday Afternoon 1:00-3:00, Communi-tea, 10b Abbey Walk, Selby, YO8 4DZ

The drop-in wellbeing hub is aimed at anyone living with a life-limiting illness, and their family or friends. We offer a listening and supportive ear in a relaxed space with refreshments available. Free parking is available at the Abbey Walk retail park for a maximum of 2 hours. Please find through these links digital copies of our [leaflet](#) and [poster](#). Full details of wellbeing and outreach services available through the hospice can be found through this [link](#).



New Report into Distressed or Challenging Behaviours

Skills for Care have developed a discussion paper that examines approaches to supporting people at risk of distressed or challenging behaviour with the National

Autistic Taskforce. The paper focusses on the current social care response to what is often called 'behaviour which challenges' in autistic people and the persistent issue of the inappropriate detention of autistic people in institutional care settings. [To read the discussion paper please follow this link.](#)

Learning and Development Opportunities



Advance Care Planning Skills (Vale of York Providers)

When: Third Fridays of the Month
9:30-12:00

St Leonard's Hospice run monthly sessions which are open to staff from all Vale of York area care providers, and designed to support in empowering people's choice and wishes. Open to all, the training session is designed to normalise and enhance decision making in end of life care. You will gain an insight into the types of decisions we make, your legal protections and how best to support friends, families, and patients. For more information please follow this [link](#).



Nursing in Adult Social Care Community of Practice Event

When: Tuesday 19 March 2024 10:00-12:00 (Via Zoom)

Skills for Care will be hosting a community of practice for nurses, nursing associates and nursing associate apprentices working in adult social care in Yorkshire and Humber and the North- East. They hope that the community of Practice will be a forum where you can learn about developments in adult social care but also a safe place where you can share with and support each other. For further information or to book your place please contact:

Peter.northrop@skillsforcare.org.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](#) 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 they have all the information required to investigate.

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!

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 hnyicb-voy.yorkplacequalitynursingteam@nhs.net

