Responding to an Outbreak in a Community Care Setting





Clinical Commissioning Group

An outbreak of COVID-19 is defined as two or more staff in a Home Support or a Voluntary and Community Sector Organisation, diagnosed with symptoms compatible with Covid-19. An outbreak can also be two or more staff who have tested positive for Covid-19 that may not present symptoms.

If two or more people are symptomatic notify outbreaks to The Health Protection Team (Yorkshire & Humber).

• Phone number: 0113 386 0300 Email: yorkshirehumberhpt@phe.gov.uk

> The HPT will arrange a follow up test after 4-7 days for residents and staff who tested negative on the first round of testing or who missed the initial test.

Inform Infection, Prevention & Control • Phone number: 01274 432111 • Email: InfectionPreventionBMDC@Bradford.gov.uk

Update the Service Update System daily and inform the Covid-19 Support Team:

Email: Covid19SupportTeam@bradford.gov.uk

You can also contact the Covid-19 Support Team duty team, details can be found using this link: https://bradford.connecttosupport.org/providerzone/covid-19-support-team-duty-desk/

Symptoms of Covid-19 aren't always displayed, testing can be arranged for asymptomatic people, and for on-going outbreaks, via the DHSC at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-for-homecare-workers or phone 0300 303 2713

Common Symptoms of Covid-19 include	Consider other less common symptoms
Fever	Sore throat
Cough	Conjunctivitis
Shortness of breath	Anorexia/ not eating
Tiredness/ Fatigue	Increased Sputum/Phlegm production
Loss of sense of smell/taste (anosmia)	Dizziness
	Headache
	Runny Nose
	Chest Pain
	Diarrhoea
Sickness/ Nausea/ Vomiting	
Covid-19 should be considered in older person(s) presenting with delirium (confused, more agitated or sleepy) or reduced mobility (falling, and 'off legs')	

The following link provides guidance created by Public Health England on good practice within the workplace during an outbreak within a care home, which may be of use within your offices:

https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/sites/default/files/2020-09/Job%2017%20care%20homes%20outbreak%20A3%20poster.pdf