



To submit any material for the bulletin, the deadline is 5pm the day before the next edition is due. Please ensure any information you consult is from a reliable source, including the NHS, or Public Health England.

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

## **KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Upcoming events can also be viewed in the **EVENTS CALENDAR** in the Provider Zone!

- Bradford District Safeguarding Children's Partnership Neglect Conference – 20<sup>th</sup> September
  - Innovating Nursing Excellence in Diverse Settings – 1<sup>st</sup> October
  - Skills for Teaching Independent Travel Training – 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> October
- Yorkshire and Humber Trafficking and Exploitation Conference – October 22<sup>nd</sup>

If you are aware of any upcoming events and would like to advertise on the Event Calendar, please visit [HERE](#) and post an entry.

## **EQUALITIES DATA – NEW APPROACH COMING!**

Over the last year, Adults Commissioning and Contracts have been looking at how we collect and use equalities data from people who use commissioned services. We piloted a new approach with 9 providers during the summer and are now getting ready to roll this out to all providers.

In October, we will send you a link to an equalities questionnaire with a unique service ID. We will ask you to share this with everyone who uses your commissioned services in Bradford and support them to complete it where required. More information and guidance will be sent to all providers over September so please watch out for messages around this.

Any questions in the meantime can be sent to  
[ASCConsult@bradford.gov.uk](mailto:ASCConsult@bradford.gov.uk).

## **ATTENTION ALL HOME OFFICE APPROVED SPONSORS IN BRADFORD DISTRICT!!**

Social care is facing yet another challenge and we really need your help.

There are 1000s of displaced overseas workers in the Yorkshire and Humber region who need to find an alternative sponsor employer, as their current employer has had their sponsorship license revoked. Once the displaced worker receives a letter from UKVI to inform them of the revocation, the worker has 60 days to find another social care sponsor employer or will face deportation. UKVI are starting the process of sending letters to displaced workers from September.

We have been told there may be over 700 displaced workers living in the Bradford area, and as part of a DHSC funded project in Yorkshire and the Humber, BCA and Bradford Council are hoping to 'match' these displaced workers to current vacancies with existing employer sponsors in Bradford District. The DHSC funded project can support applications from sponsor employers for additional CoS for these displaced workers.

It is therefore crucial for the 'matching' process that we know where the vacancies are, how many vacancies you currently have, and if you would need any support (e.g. financial, training, accommodation) to enable you to employ displaced overseas workers.

You will be receiving an email from BCA today, asking you to complete a survey-monkey questionnaire - it should take less than 10 minutes to complete. Please will you complete it as soon as possible?

**If you are a HOAS and you don't receive the email**, please contact: [admin@bradfordcareassociation.org](mailto:admin@bradfordcareassociation.org) and we will email you the survey link.

BCA and Bradford Council really appreciate your assistance with this important piece of work, and look forward to hearing from you. Thanks to those of you who have already completed the survey and for your continued support of our sector.

# STOMP & STAMP



Do you care for or work with people with learning disabilities who are prescribed psychotropic medications?

- Do you want to find out more about STOMP, STAMP & why medication reviews are important for people?
- Do you want to find out about alternatives to medications?

BDCFT is providing free training via Microsoft teams to anyone supporting or working with people with learning disabilities across the Bradford district about STOMP & STAMP - please contact [kelly.oconnor@bdct.nhs.uk](mailto:kelly.oconnor@bdct.nhs.uk) to book onto one of the dates identified below.

23<sup>rd</sup> May 2024 2-4pm

18<sup>th</sup> July 2024 1-3pm

7<sup>th</sup> November 2024 1-3pm

We support

**STOMP**

Stepping over-medication of people with a learning disability, autism or both

## LOCAL COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANTS

The City of Bradford Metropolitan District Council wishes to inform organisations of its plans for Local Community Support Grants. They are for:

- People with a learning disability and/or who are neurodivergent
    - Older People
    - Communities of Interest
- They should:
- Support people to support themselves and each other to enhance or maintain people's level of independence, including encouraging people to actively move around where possible.
    - Be fun, varied and challenging.
  - Give people the opportunity to explore new interests or get involved in things they did previously.
  - Must engage with people in their local communities to connect people of different backgrounds and encourage people who might be isolated to attend the group.
  - They must ensure the group is inclusive and increases involvement by adopting a flexible approach to support people to access the group who have more significant care needs.

Application form submission deadline: 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024 at 5.00pm

Start date for grants: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025

End date for grants: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026

As part of our "Keep it Local" commitment we welcome smaller, local providers. To be kept informed of this opportunity please visit Connect to Support here: [Local Community Support Grant | Bradford Connect to Support](#)

## TAKE A VIRTUAL TOUR OF THE ASC-WDS

Skills for Care have added new dates for their webinar designed to give you a practical demonstration of the Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS). You'll hear about the features of the service already being used by over 20,000 care providers. You'll also find out about accessing funding for training, managing your training records, benchmarking against similar workplaces and more.

Register for the following Skills for Care events via the hyperlinks below:

1. [Wednesday 18 September, 13:30 - 14:30](#)
2. [Monday 25 November, 15:00 - 16:00](#)
3. [Thursday 16 January, 10:30 - 11:30](#)





## **Workforce Training Events for September 2024**

**The BCA are delighted to announce that we have joined the Institute of Health and Social Care Management. This means that you and your teams have FREE MEMBERSHIP and access to all their content.**

### **How can your workforce join for free as a BCA Member?**

- Who can join? All BCA Members individual employees (includes all care and management staff) can join to access the benefits above.
- ...DONT FORGET to use the code BDCA to access your FREE membership
- Click the link below to become a free member and access all their content  
<https://ihm.org.uk/create-user/>

### **Events in September 2024 below:**

Below are our **Deputies Effective Leadership Training** – These sessions are for people who are starting out on their leadership journey and provide practical leadership techniques, hints and tips that can be implemented immediately. A great introduction to leadership that will enable your teams to thrive in their leadership journey.

- 12th September 1.30 till 2.30pm – Click on the link to book [Deputies Effective Leadership Training – Module 1 – Me, Myself & I](#)
- 19th September 1.30 till 2.30pm – Click on the link to book [Deputies Effective Leadership Training – Module 2 – Developing Your Team](#)
- 26th September 1.30 till 2.30pm – Click on the link to book [Deputies Effective Leadership Training – Module 3 – Leadership Excellence](#)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1.30 till 2.30pm – Click on the link to book [Deputies Effective Leadership Training – Module 4 – Leadership Excellence](#)

### **Future Proof Your Care Business Program**

The IHSCM are delighted to announce we are once again, running our Future Proof your Care Business Program. Please see attached flyer for more info, plus testimonials below from two attendees who have attended the first program this year.

*"I need to start by saying thank you! The amount of training and courses I have done over the last decade, including my master's degree, pales in comparison to your future proof course. I have found it the most engaging and useful course ever, with practical advice all delivered superbly by you. I am not blowing smoke, but honestly felt I needed to let you know. I even have my deputy doing your courses now as I plan to make her RM next year. So, thank you very much."*

*"I thought you would like to hear some good news ..... I have three full care homes at the moment, and I can thank you for that. The course has really supported me to professionalise my approach which the staff have responded so well too."*

- 16th September 12 till 1pm – Click on the link to book [PowerHour – Introduction to IHSCM's exclusive 'How to Create a Future-Proof Care Business'](#)

Other sessions we have planned are below:

- 13th September 12 till 1pm – Did you know there are significant funding opportunities that care providers can access? This Power Hour takes you through how to tap into these opportunities. Click on the link to book [PowerHour: Contributing to and creating research with the research funder NIHR](#)
- 19th September 12 till 1pm – We have our Women in Leadership Special Interest Group which is a great opportunity for leaders and managers in social care to come together, share best practice and be a supportive network. Click on the link to book [Women in Leadership Special Interest Group Meeting](#)
- 24th September 12 till 1pm – We regularly run our High-Performance Leadership Framework, which is for leaders who would like to enhance and develop their leadership skills. Click on the link to book [High Performance Leadership Workshop – Module 1](#)
- 25th September 1pm till 2.30pm – Click on the link to book [IHSCM Dragon's Den – New innovative technology solutions in health and social care meet our dragons](#)
- 27th September 12 till 1pm – Click on the link to book [IHSCM Social Care Innovators Special Interest Group Meeting](#) – an opportunity for health and social care providers to come together and share best practice, new ideas and ways of working.

## 1 DAY-A-WEEK TRAVEL PHOTO COMPETITION

Bradford Council's Active Travel Social Prescribing team has partnered with sustainable travel specialists Mosodi, to launch an active travel photo competition called 1 dayaweek. Funded by Active Travel England, the campaign seeks to incentivise people to walk, jog, cycle or wheel at least once a week, either on a commute to work, going to the shops or places of worship, or by visiting local landmarks, in return for the chance to win prizes.

Participants can enter by taking a picture on their journey and either posting on social media, tagging 1 dayaweek and including the hashtags #my1daw #bradford or emailing it to [1dayaweek@mosodi.co.uk](mailto:1dayaweek@mosodi.co.uk). At the end of each month, all entries are judged and 2 winners will each receive £100 retail voucher. More information about the campaign can be found at <https://1dayaweek.co.uk/campaigns/bradford-active-travel>.

We are asking partners across the district to help promote the campaign on their channels.

## WEEK 7, ARTICLE 7:

### The Living Well Academy

Our academy offers free courses that are suitable for anyone living or working in Bradford district, that would like to know more about health and wellbeing.

These free training courses help people to learn and build confidence to support themselves, their family and friends to live a healthier lifestyle. This also includes learning about local services that can help to support health and wellbeing.

Some of the training courses are suitable for practitioners and volunteers and will help them to have conversations to motivate, encourage and support other people to improve or change their health and wellbeing.

The courses are available online and also face to face. They are interactive and fun with learning styles that include quizzes, small group/pair work, videos, information giving, question and answer sessions and the opportunity to carry out activities in your own time.

#### **Royal Society for Public Health (RSPH) courses:**

- [RSPH Level 1 – Health Awareness](#)
- [RSPH Level 2 – Understanding Health Improvement](#)

#### **Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) courses:**

- [Adult Mental Health Aware](#)
- [Adult Mental Health First Aid](#)

#### **Making Every Contact Count (MECC) course:**

- [Living Well Making Every Contact Count \(MECC\)](#)

You can also find out about other learning opportunities available across the district:

- [Learning Across the District](#)

Find our more here: [The Living Well Academy](#)





# Be more you



**Not feeling yourself? You could benefit from Talking Therapies.**

**Our experienced professionals will explore your thoughts, feelings and behaviours, and help you to make changes.**

**“I have a sense of liberation and of having definitively ‘left behind’ previously unresolved issues.”**

**- Vikrum\*, 39**

**If you're feeling down, worried or out of sorts, we want to hear from you.**



**To find out more, visit**  
**[www.bdctalkingtherapies.nhs.uk/](http://www.bdctalkingtherapies.nhs.uk/)**



**or call our team on**  
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