

PROVIDER BULLETIN

Thursday 10 December 2020

ADULT SOCIAL CARE INFECTION CONTROL FUND – ROUND 2

If your organisation has received a grant payment from the Adult Social Care Infection Control fund, the Deadline to complete your returns for reporting period 2 is the 16th December 2020. If you have not received a link to the survey please email mary.surr@bradford.gov.uk with the name of your Care Home or Care Provider and the email address you wish the link to be sent to.

ADDITIONAL COVID-19 CONTINGENCY FUND

Please note the extended deadline for returning the form to claim the additional contingency payment to **Monday 14 December 2020**.

In order to receive the Contingency Fund payment, please send the completed form to CommissioningInbox@bradford.gov.uk by Monday 14 December 2020.

We are aware that some providers may not have received the original letter, so if you need a copy of the letter and form please email CommissioningInbox@bradford.gov.uk



DAILY NEWS AND KEEPING WELL TIPS!

Inclusion North will give you the Government's big messages each week. To access, see attached document in the [Provider Zone](#).



COVID-19 OUTBREAK FLOWCHART AND CHECKLIST

The Covid-19 Support Team has created two easy read documents explaining what to do if you are experiencing an outbreak of Covid-19 and to help track when you have completed certain actions.

There is one version for Care Homes and one version for Community Providers.

The documents can be downloaded from the [Provider Zone](#).

MESSAGE TO CARE HOMES

Can you please review any Bradford and Airedale Community Equipment Service (BACES) that you have within your care home and contact [BACES](#) to return any equipment you no longer require as soon as possible.

The poster can be downloaded via the [Provider Zone](#).
Please share with your teams.

West Yorkshire Tier 3 Restrictions

FROM 2 DEC

VERY HIGH ALERT



All areas of West Yorkshire are now in 'Tier 3 - very high alert level'.
This means the following restrictions apply:

MEETING FRIENDS AND FAMILY



You must not socialise with anybody outside your household/support bubble in any indoor setting, in a private garden or at most outdoor public venues. You can see friends and family you do not live with/have a support bubble with, in groups of 6 or less, in some outdoor public spaces (e.g. parks, the countryside, playgrounds).

BARS, PUBS AND RESTAURANTS



Pubs, bars and restaurants (including Shisha venues) must close. However, they can provide takeaways by click-and-collect, drive-through or delivery services.

RETAIL



You can go to venues such as shops, hairdressers, libraries and community centres.

WORK AND BUSINESS



Aim to work from home where possible but, if necessary, you can travel for work. Try to reduce the number of journeys you make, and avoid car sharing with anyone outside your household/support bubble.

CHILDCARE AND EDUCATION



Registered childcare can continue (including early years/childcare settings, childminders, school wraparound and holiday childcare). As part of a childcare bubble, people can continue to look after children aged 13 or under from a different household. Universities, colleges and schools to stay open.

TRAVELLING



Limit the number of journeys you make where possible. Avoid travel to other parts of the UK, including for overnight stays, other than where necessary (for work, education, youth services, caring responsibilities or medical treatment). You can travel through other areas as part of a longer journey.

ACCOMMODATION



Accommodation, such as hotels, B&Bs, campsites and guest houses, must close unless exempt.

PLACES OF WORSHIP



You can go to places of worship but must only attend with people in your household/support bubble.

EXERCISE



Exercise classes and organised sports can continue outdoors. Indoor sports and classes cannot take place, unless for disability sport, sport for educational purposes or supervised sport/physical activity for under-18s.

WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS



You can have up to 15 guests at weddings and civil ceremonies, but wedding receptions are not allowed. Up to 30 people can attend a funeral and up to 15 may attend a wake.

ENTERTAINMENT



All indoor entertainment/tourist venues must close - such as soft play areas, casinos and bingo halls, snooker clubs and cinemas. Indoor areas of outdoor attractions must also close (other than shops, toilets and through-ways). Events should not take place, other than drive-in events.

RESIDENTIAL CARE



Visits to care homes can take place with appropriate arrangements in place (e.g. substantial screens, visiting pods, window visits).

For further information on the COVID alert levels,
visit www.gov.uk/guidance/local-restriction-tiers-what-you-need-to-know



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

For more information please visit
westyorkshireprepared.org.uk

[@WYISforum](https://twitter.com/WYISforum)

[@WYDPrepared](https://facebook.com/WYDPrepared)



WEST YORKSHIRE PREPARED
YOUR SERVICES WORKING TOGETHER

11/2/2020



On the back of the COVID 19 response work, a group of colleagues from the Local Authority, CCG, Airedale Hospital & other relevant organisations have recently started a piece of work to support homes to develop their digital capabilities.

The project will be reviewing the current digital capabilities of all homes and supporting you to become more digitally mature through reviews of hardware/software & connectivity, looking at remote monitoring opportunities, and rolling out SystmOne's Care Homes Module to all homes within Bradford District and Craven.

In the next couple of weeks, we will be sending a survey to all homes to establish your current digital capabilities and identify areas in which we can support you.

We will provide a more detailed overview of the survey aims and content in next Tuesday's bulletin.

If you have any questions at all on the project or just want to know more, please feel free to email me at marianne.millward@nhs.net.

INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL ON CALL COVER FOR THIS WEEKEND (10AM- 1PM)

- Saturday: Jacqui Elliott – 07813 394841
- Sunday: Darren Fletcher – 07582 102163

FACE SHIELD REMINDER

Utilising PPE can be a very effective tool in protecting the carer from the transmission of any known pathogen/germ. In the case of Face Shields and working with COVID 19 the most current guidance from Public Health England advises the use of Face Shields when working with a person who has a new persistent cough, and who is either suspected or a known positive case of COVID 19; this is when the 2 metre gap is breached to deliver care. The face shield will protect the portal of entry the virus may have via the carers eyes and we know that COVID 19 can be spread via cough droplets. The carer or provider may insist on the use of Face Shields for all known or suspected people with COVID 19 even in the absence of a cough. This is by no means discouraged and if the carer or providers feel more assured by using the face shield when within 2 metres then this can be risk assessed and implemented by the provider. Click on this [LINK](#) which gives a very quick and easy read guide to the use of PPE in the care setting.

For any further questions or queries please contact the [Infection Prevention & Control Team](#).

INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL PLATFORM UPDATE

For the attention of Link Champions & Home Support Workers.

New training slides will be added on 14th December 2020.

CLICK [HERE](#)





STAFF AND RESIDENTS IN SUPPORTED LIVING AND EXTRA CARE SETTINGS OFFERED ROUTINE TESTING FOR COVID-19

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) have announced that regular testing for coronavirus (Covid-19) is being extended to supported living and extra-care settings in England, which meet certain criteria. All staff and residents should be offered tests in these settings, including care staff, housing staff, and all residents, whether they receive personal care or not.

This scheme relates to “asymptomatic” people, i.e. those who *do not* have symptoms of coronavirus. Those who have symptoms should follow existing testing procedures.

See attached document in the [Provider Zone](#) for more details.



Disclosure & Barring Service

On the 28th November 2020 there were changes to DBS. The updated guidance includes some suggested wording to be copied and pasted into recruitment documents to ensure the correct information is collected from a potential new employee, in light of how the DBS system will now filter information requests.

Further details can be found [HERE](#).

Also find attached document in the [Provider Zone](#) for specific details from the update to draw your attention to and information in respect to updating your recruitment application for changes to the filtering rules.



Department of Health & Social Care

25% increase in PPE Portal order limits over the Christmas Period

The Portal will be operational over Christmas. Their delivery partners (Royal Mail and our Pallet Carrier) will not be delivering on Christmas Day and Boxing Day. Orders made during this time should still be delivered within 5 days.

To make allowance for any potential disruptions or increased need, we have increased order limits by 25% for all providers, as of Tuesday 8th December, and until at least the 4th January. Call the customer service team on 0800 876 6802 if you have any questions about using the PPE portal. The team is available from 7am to 7pm, 7 days a week, to help resolve your queries. The latest guidance for the PPE Portal, including order limits for the different types and sizes of provider, is available [HERE](#).

The poster can be downloaded via the [Provider Zone](#).
Please share with your teams.

CARE

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Sullivan
Care Worker



PROTECTS

**YOU, YOUR FAMILY AND
THOSE YOU CARE FOR**

FROM THE FLU

You can give flu to your family and those you care for without having symptoms. Protect those close to you.

Get your free flu vaccination

CONTINUING HEALTHCARE (CHC) TRAINING FOR PROVIDERS

Training regarding CHC process will be delivered by the CCG and BDMC to providers during the BCA meeting on the 15th December 2020 followed by a question and answer session. The session will be delivered via Zoom, see the joining details below:

Topic: Provider Update/AGM/CHC Training

Time: Dec 15, 2020 10:30 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9937721608?pwd=cjJ5aTBHaEMlcklNSVRtWHR0VHJmUT09>

Meeting ID: 993 772 1608

Passcode: Bradford20

The session includes:

- What does the Personalised Commissioning Department do?
- What is CHC?
- How to refer
- Overview of the CHC process including Fast track
- Discharge to assess and CHC

Followed by a question and answer session.

Please note: This session will not include any information regarding finance and any queries regarding this should be sent via Louise Bestwick for a response from the CCG. The session will also be recorded to enable future access to the information via the provider portal for those who cannot attend.

NICE National Institute for
Health and Care Excellence



NICE in Social Care

December 2020 e-bulletin includes:

- Workplace health: long-term sickness absence and capability to work quality standard – consultation
- Looking after your own wellbeing
- How NICE guidance can be used to evidence social work practice
- Shared Learning Awards 2021 – deadline extended
- Become a stakeholder
- Social care resources

Click [HERE](#) to view.

22 days to go

BREXIT

The UK transition:
time is running out!

There are new rules for businesses and citizens from 1
January 2021.

Support is available in Bradford – Click on
the link below:

**BREXIT - WHAT YOU
NEED TO KNOW!**

INFORMATION REQUEST

If you have any specific issues/concerns, please
email ali.gul@bradford.gov.uk

Department of Health and Wellbeing, Bradford Council.

EU SETTLEMENT SCHEME IMPORTANT INFORMATION



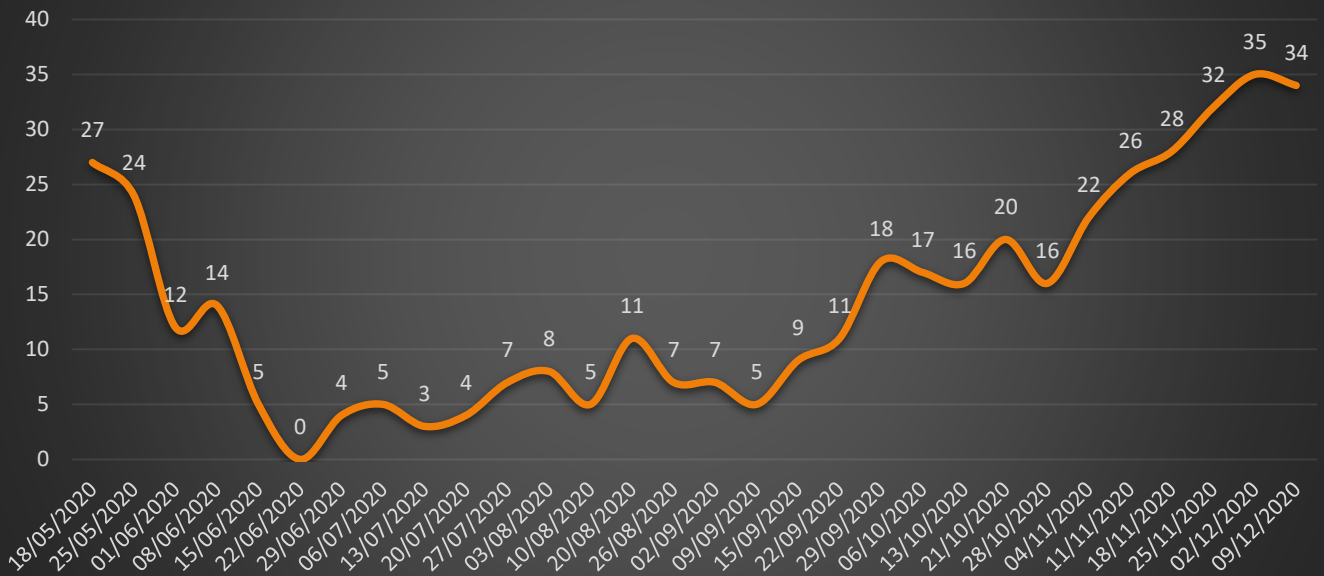
If you are an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, resident in the UK by 31 December 2020, you and your family members need to apply to the **EU Settlement Scheme** to continue living in the UK beyond 30 June 2021.

For more information and to apply, visit
[gov.uk/eusettlementscheme](https://www.gov.uk/eusettlementscheme)

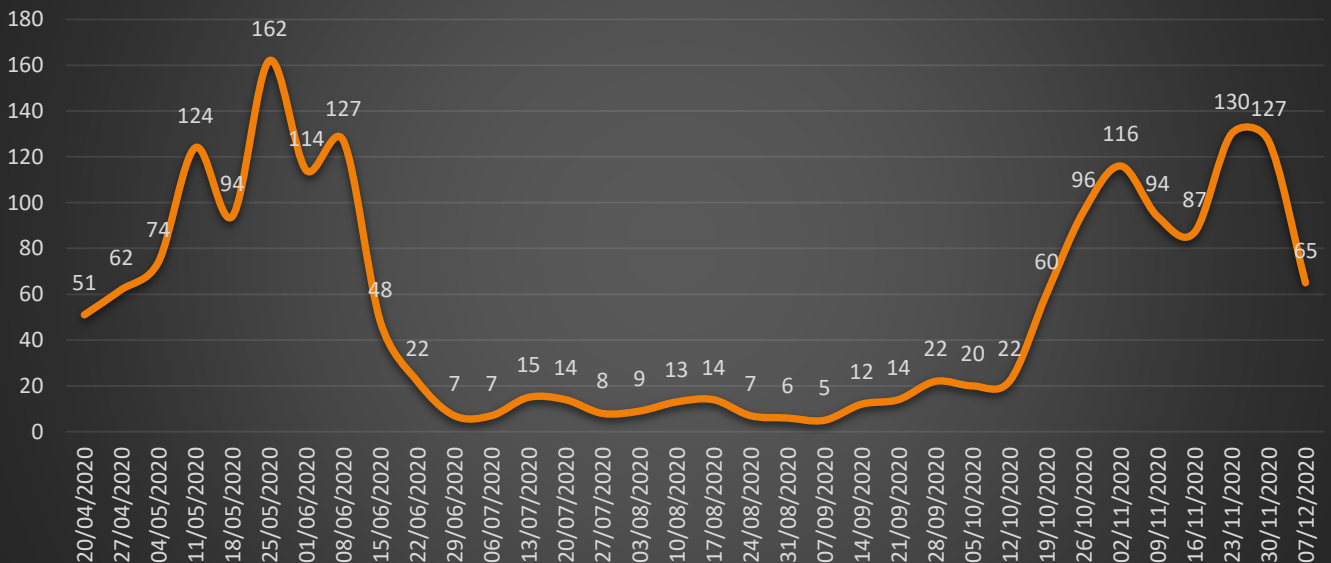
Bradford Care Homes Covid-19 Tracker

This and other graphs are available in the [Provider Zone](#). The Covid-19 Support Team are currently working with our intelligence data colleagues to develop a clear, concise, yet informative weekly presentation of the current situation in respect of several areas relating to the current pandemic. We will be liaising with BCA colleagues to ensure this data is useful and accurately reflects the situation here in Bradford. We are aware that some of this data is extremely sensitive and we are working to develop a more secure route for provider access only. More information to follow next week.

Bradford Care Homes with a Covid-19 Outbreak



Number of Covid-19 Infections



MARLEY FIELDS TESTING CENTRE

Marley Fields Testing Centre and the testing administration team will be closed on Christmas day and New Year's day and as usual on Sundays. This team will be contacting providers who have test collections booked on these days to arrange another suitable day.

Date	Marley Fields operational times	Testing administration team
Mon 21 st Dec	Afternoon	8.30am – 4.30pm
Tue 22 nd Dec	Afternoon	8.30am – 4.30pm
Wed 23 rd Dec	Afternoon	8.30am – 4.30pm
Thu 24 th Dec	Afternoon	8.30am – 4.30pm
Fri 25 th Dec	CLOSED	CLOSED
Sat 26 th Dec	Morning	8.30am – 12.30pm
Sun 27 th Dec	CLOSED	CLOSED
Mon 28 th Dec	Afternoon	8.30am – 4.30pm
Tue 29 th Dec	Afternoon	8.30am – 4.30pm
Wed 30 th Dec	Afternoon	8.30am – 4.30pm
Thu 31 st Dec	Afternoon	8.30am – 4.30pm
Fri 1 st Jan 2021	CLOSED	CLOSED
Sat 2 nd Jan 2021	Morning	8.30am – 12.30pm
Sun 3 rd Jan 2021	CLOSED	CLOSED
Mon 4 th Jan 2021	Normal service resumes	8.30am – 4.30pm



COVID-19 SUPPORT TEAM

Supporting people to support others

NEW VIDEOS RELATING TO COVID-19

Covid-19 Support Team YouTube Channel

(please consider subscribing and clicking on the 'Bell Icon' to receive notifications when we upload a new video):

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtRZcw3M8YN0wOFT1eIJqaQ>

COVID-19 SUPPORT TEAM DUTY DESK

Please don't forget the Covid-19 Support Team now has one central contact number:

01274 431999