

All additional information specific to any news article in this edition is available in the **Provider Zone** 

For more information on the Council's current position, in respect of Covid 19 please use this website; <u>CLICK HERE</u> Please ensure any information you consult is from a reliable sources, including the NHS, or the Public Health England.

### PROVIDER BULLETIN

Tuesday 21 July 2020

## OFFICIAL: PPE RESOURCES FOR CARE HOME AND DOMICILIARY CARE PUBLISHED 20 JULY 2020

PPE Guidance has been updated from the previous version/s as follows:

- incorporates recommendation (July 2020) for the use of face masks and coverings
- homes to prevent COVID-19 transmission as follows:
  - · a third table has been added
  - additional questions and answers have been added including adapting advice provided by NHS England for hospital settings to this context
  - updates to some existing questions and answers have been made

Click on below links to access the guidance:

- HOW TO WORK SAFELY IN CARE HOMES
- HOW TO WORK SAFELY IN DOMICILIARY CARE IN ENGLAND

(Also see the <u>Provider Zone</u> for a breakdown from UKHCA - for Homecare in England only)

# CENTRAL ALERTING SYSTEM: MASKS: TYPE IIR FROM CARDINAL HEALTH? DESTROY AFFECTED LOTS

The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) has issued an alert to destroy all affected lots as the foam strip on specified mask type can flake and enter the wearer's airway or mouth; ties and/or stitching may detach from the mask.

The Council procurement team has been made aware of this and have disposed of all the stock. Please be assured this is in relation to Local Resilience Forums (LRF) stock only and all the Council procured PPE meets all quality specifications.

For more details, see the **Provider Zone**.

#### FACE COVERINGS, SHIELDING, AND COUNCIL FUNDING DATA IN ENGLAND – UKHCA UPDATE

Please see the <u>Provider Zone</u> for UKHCA updates around face covering, shielding and council funding.

Also included are face covering exemption cards.



#### **IMPORTANT MESSAGES**

- Care Homes need to continue to support visiting professionals and not prevent access to individual service users receiving support. Where a professional visiting the home is not able to assure you that adequate PPE is in place, you are encouraged to challenge this to protect your residents/staff.
- Thank you to all Care Homes that have completed and returned the Voids Contribution Payment Claim Form so far. These are being processed and payments will be made. If you still need to make a claim, we are now asking that forms are returned by Friday 31 July 2020 at the latest. Forms should be returned to controcc.queries@bradford.gov.uk.
- The Department of Health & Social Care have today confirmed the change from Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards to Liberty Protection Safeguards will be delayed due to COVID, with an estimated full implementation date now of April 2022. Any questions, please contact the team. For contact details, click
- BDHFT Red Bag team has a collection of red bags that have no number attached to them, therefore they don't know who they belong to. If any care homes are missing their bags can they please contact the team on 01274 366307 or 0791349596 to arrange collection.



Today's provider meeting was the final BCA provider meeting of July. Meetings will re-commence on Tuesday 4 August 2020.

For more information and minutes for last meeting are available and can be accessed via the **Provider Zone**.

## AEROSOL GENERATING PROCEDURES – RESIDENTIAL AND NURSING HOMES, HOME SUPPORT AND SUPPORTED LIVING PROVIDERS

If you are supporting individuals with any of the aerosol generating procedures described in **section 8.1** of this guidance document you need to ensure that your staff team are fully aware of the enhanced PPE requirements. This includes (among others) suctioning, support with CPAP and also high flow nasal oxygen.

Details of the PPE requirements can be obtained in the following guidance (click HERE).

If you have any queries regarding this in relation to your service please contact IPC team.

### RESTORE2MINI, VITAL SIGNS MONITORING AND STRUCTURED COMMUNICATION TOOLS CARE HOME TRAINING

Target audience: care home managers, carers and nurses. Please see the <a href="Provider Zone">Provider Zone</a> for Restore2 training invite with a choice of 3 dates for module 1 (60 minute virtual training sessions).