

NEXT 10 DAYS - KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

No key dates within the next 10 days, but upcoming events can also be viewed in the '[EVENTS CALENDAR](#)' within the Provider Zone.

R&NTENDER UPDATE

Thank you to those care home providers who have been submitting their applications for the last few months. We have had a great response and have been accrediting these, sending out clarifications via YORtender where needed and sending out contract award letters. We have passed the overwhelming majority that have applied.

Please remember to always check your inbox for an email that you have a message on YORtender, as it may be a clarification that needs a response or contract award letter if you applied in the first round. Those of you who submitted in later rounds are still being accredited and again please check the YORtender messages.

Once you have received your award letter, can you please ensure you now share all the relevant documents that were uploaded with the Application form such as the service specification, provider contract and Quality Charter etc. with Managers at the home and within your Senior provider organisation if you have not already done this.



The [Adult Social Care Winter Plan](#) has finally been published. NCF have summarised the contents of the plan in the briefing which can be found on [their website here](#). Also read this [letter from the Minister for Care](#). Also, the [grant conditions for £162.5m recruitment and retention fund](#) have finally been published. A summary of these can be accessed [online here](#).

UPDATED GUIDANCE

- Working with people in their own homes. Updated 8 November 2021: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-providing-home-care/working-with-people-in-their-own-homes-this-winter>
- [Guidance overview: Restricting workforce movement between care homes and other care settings - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

REQUIREMENTS FOR VISITING PROFESSIONALS

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PROFESSIONALS VISITING CARE HOMES

VISITING PROFESSIONALS **MUST** PROVIDE EVIDENCE OF THEIR COVID-19 VACCINATION STATUS

We are committed to keeping people safe! If you are a professional visiting this care home, please make sure you can provide evidence of your Covid-19 vaccination status, otherwise you will be refused entry.

If anyone attempts to enter this care home without evidencing their Covid-19 vaccination status, we are required to follow a reporting protocol via The Covid-19 Support Team who will liaise with the person's line manager and Public Health at Bradford Council.

NO EVIDENCE! NO ENTRY!

COVID BOOSTER VACCINES FOR PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES

Some people with learning disabilities are now being offered their Covid boosters, depending on when they had their second dose. If you are supporting people, please check if this is due & encourage them to attend if so. Some GP practices are offering to give Covid boosters & flu vaccines at the same time so do check with the person's GP practice if this is an option. As a carer you may be able to get your flu vaccine at the same time.

Learning Disabilities Mortality Review for Bradford & LeDeR notifications

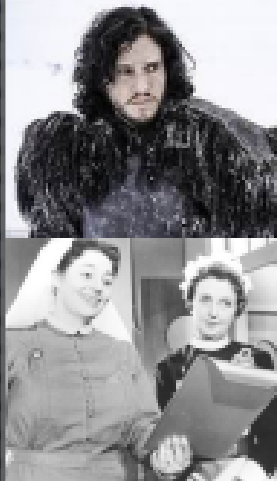
For support providers working with people with learning disabilities, you may have heard of LeDeR reviews – this is the national programme that reviews all the deaths of people with learning disabilities so we can learn lessons, improve the support we offer to people and reduce preventable and premature deaths. As part of this programme, Bradford has to produce a report every year that looks at the deaths of people with learning disabilities locally and what we have learnt from these. This report has just been released and the easy read report is available here: <https://www.bradfordcravenccg.nhs.uk/ccg-information/strategy-and-plans/documents/>

If anyone over the age of 4 with a learning disability dies there should be a LeDeR review completed, but a notification needs to be done so the LeDeR team are aware. Anyone can alert the LeDeR team to a person's death by making a notification on the website - [LeDeR – Home](#) – this is really quick & easy to do – the link is attached. If you are working with someone with a learning disability who dies please do make a notification.



Brightening Minds Training

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**BUT SOCIAL CARE
WILL CARRY ON...**

Quality Workshop Agenda:

- Iain MacBeath - Working together to manage winter pressures across the health and care sector
- Q+A with CQC inspectors - Compliance + regulations over the winter period
- Introduction to BCA/BMDC Winter Planning Assessment Tool
- Local and national resources to support providers with challenging workforce issues & emotional wellbeing
- BCA useful resources

AGM Guest Speakers:

- Iain Macbeath (Strategic Director, Health and Wellbeing)
- Helen Hurst (Chief Officer, NHS Bradford District and Craven CCG)

WEDNESDAY 17th NOV

AGM - 12:30 - 13:30

Quality Workshop -
13:30 - 16:00

EVENT BOOKING



[Click here to get your FREE TICKET from EventBrite.](#)

If having any problems booking your place please email admin@bradfordcareassociation.org

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PRESS RELEASE: ADULT SOCIAL CARE CAMPAIGN TO BUILD BIGGER AND BETTER WORKFORCE

A new recruitment campaign will encourage people to apply for roles in the adult social care sector. To access the press release, [click here](#).

Organisations can get involved by:

- Following and using expert recruitment advice and templates available on the [campaign resource centre](#)
- Make sure job seekers inspired by the campaign can find vacancies on <https://www.adultsocialcare.co.uk/> by uploading them to the DWP 'Find a Job' platform.
- Follow and share the [Facebook page](#) and sign up to the [newsletter for campaign updates](#).

HEADING: WEBINAR: ATTRACTING MEN INTO SOCIAL CARE (18TH NOVEMBER, 12PM – 1PM)

Curado, a London-based mental health provider, has recently undertaken a study in collaboration with Kingston University to look at how to increase the number of men working in social care (currently only 16% of care and support workers in England are male). The findings from this – and details of the work Curado has done to grow their own male workforce - will be shared at a webinar on the **18th November (12pm – 1pm)**.

Speakers – including Oonagh Smyth, CEO of Skills for Care, and Neil Eastwood, author of 'Saving Social Care' – will be considering the barriers to attracting men to the sector as well as possible solutions.

We would like to invite care providers – and other organisations with an interest in social care careers and recruitment - to join us. There will be opportunities to share your own experiences – as well as your thoughts about what we need to be doing to attract more men into care. If you would like to book a place please e-mail Laura Anthony: laura.anthony@skillsforcare.org.uk.

You will then be sent a calendar invite with the Zoom link. As part of this work Curado has produced a video which features two of their male support workers talking about their

experiences: <https://lnkd.in/d2dxaS3t>

Care Home Patient Safety Network

Date: Friday 10th December

Timings: 1400-1630

**Virtual meeting – link to be sent
once registered.**

To book a free place and receive the virtual
link, please contact – Academy@yhdhs.nhs.uk

You are invited to attend our next Yorkshire & Humber Care Home Patient Safety Network event. The network covers all social care settings including supported living, domiciliary care and care homes. It focuses on deterioration and medicines safety in the social care sector.

The network brings care providers together with colleagues from PCNs, CCGs, Local Authorities and community trusts. The network is open to all professions e.g. carer/support workers, care home managers, care coordinators, social prescribers, GPs, nurses, allied health professionals etc.

Our next meeting will include:

- Deterioration tools & training – what can the PSC offer?
- Safety culture – why does it matter?
- How can we improve communication between GP, Care Homes and pharmacies re: medicines?
- Principles of co design – working with care home residents

- 'Ask the Network' – do you have any questions to ask members of the network?
e.g. does anyone have a policy on falls/pressure areas/challenging behaviours etc.?

There will be an opportunity for discussion, sharing of ideas and innovation.

Delivered by:

Yorkshire and Humber
Patient Safety Collaborative
The **AHSN** Network

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ADVERTISE YOUR VACANCIES!

If you are an organisation within social care that would like to advertise their vacancy with us, please email the covid19supportteam@bradford.gov.uk, with the following information.

Subject Title: FAO Ben - Care Vacancy

You must complete the following documents (these will download and are not able to view online): [Social Care Vacancies](#) (must be completed and returned) [Jobs And Apprenticeships Template](#) (to be used if you do not have a live vacancy that can be linked to)

If you have any queries on this process, please call our duty number on 01274 431999.

NEW WEBINAR RECORDING: CONTINGENCY PLANNING AND WINTER PRESSURES: PROTECTING YOUR SERVICE

Skills for Care has updated our earlier webinar recording and bite size resources. It includes 20-minutes of specially recorded new content including interviews with an Outstanding rated care home and an Outstanding rated homecare service explaining how they protect themselves from staffing challenges and how they have applied learning from last year. The updated recording is complemented by refreshed bite size resources:

- Practical ways for your Contingency Plan to succeed
- Contingency Planning - What to include
- Contingency Planning FAQs

You can access these via: <https://bit.ly/2ZS3ywS>

Become a champion

Help people to have a choice

Support people to think about their future wishes

Listen to people who are experiencing loss and bereavement



Do you support **people or groups in your community**? Would you like to get a better understanding of:

- Ways people can make choices about their future care wishes
- How you might support people who are bereaved
- What further information and support is available to people

Join our Webinar

Thursday 2nd December 12:30 – 16:00

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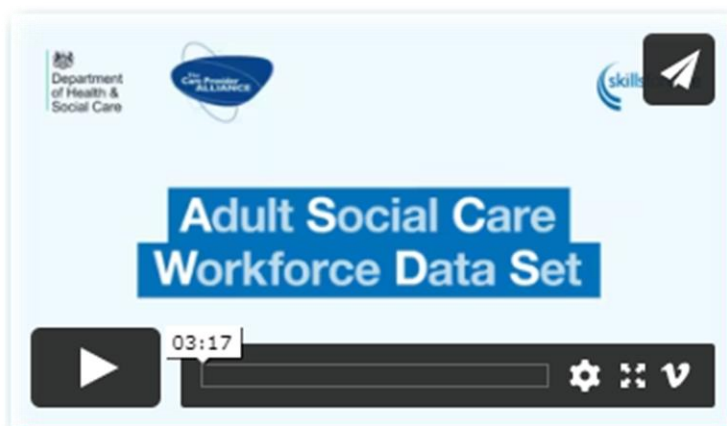
Tuesday 18th January 09.30-13.00

For further details contact:

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THE ADULT SOCIAL CARE WORKFORCE DATA SET OFFICIAL LAUNCH

Skills for Care pleased to share with you the plans for our official product launch of the [Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set \(ASC-WDS\)](#).



Whilst the ASC-WDS has been operational for a couple of years and collects data from over 20,000 care providers, the service has been undergoing regular developments to bring added value for users. We're now at a stage where we have some great benefits to share with the sector. An ASC-WDS account provides many features and benefits which might be useful to you, including:

- Contribute to the crucial intelligence that decision makers across the sector need to provide support to the workforce.
- Access to the [Workforce Development Fund](#) and [Essential training programmes](#)
- Manage your staff training records, including setting mandatory training for each job role and alerts when training is due to expire.
- Safe and free storage of staff records
- The new ASC-WDS Benefits Bundle

The ASC-WDS product launch will run from 22 to 26 November. We'll be hosting two webinars to help you learn more about the service.

- [Discover the benefits of the Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set](#) | Tuesday 23 November 2021 | 11:00 - 11:30. This webinar will focus on the benefits of ASC-WDS and ways providers can use the service in their organisation.
- [Take a virtual tour of the Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set](#) | Thursday 25 November 2021 | 12:00 - 12:45. This practical demonstration will explore how the service works and show you first-hand the main features available.