



DOWNLOAD THE NHS COVID-19 APP TODAY!

The new NHS COVID-19 app is now available to download for free in England and Wales, and is the fastest way to see if you're at risk from coronavirus. The faster you know, the quicker you can alert and protect your loved ones and community.

The app has a number of tools to protect you, including contact tracing, local area alerts and venue check-in.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

- See the [Provider Zone](#) for guidance 'NHS Test and Trace QR codes – Advice for NHS hospitals, GP practices, dentist surgeries, care homes and community pharmacies in England'.
- For further details on the announcement please see: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/venues-required-to-enforce-rule-of-6-nhs-qr-code-posters-and-contact-logs>
- To support you, NHS has prepared a bank of resources which can be found here: <https://www.covid19.nhs.uk/information-and-resources.html>
- Further materials on our business to business campaign which also may be useful are available here: <https://coronavirusresources.phe.gov.uk/Test-and-Trace/resources/customer-logging-toolkit/>

PROVIDER BULLETIN

Thursday 24 September 2020



NEW NATIONAL RESTRICTIONS AS COVID-19 ALERT LEVEL RISES FROM 3 TO 4 – UKHCA UPDATE

The COVID-19 alert level has been raised from 3 to 4, meaning transmission is 'high or rising exponentially'. In the last 48 hours, the Government has announced a series of new nation-wide restrictions in England in order to control case numbers.

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

RISING INFECTION RATES

Unfortunately infection rates in Bradford continue to increase and there continues to be an increase in people needing to be admitted to hospital with COVID-19. Bradford has one of the highest rates of testing in the region. Infection rates in care homes are also continuing to increase with 15 homes currently dealing with an outbreak – as reported previously in all cases these outbreaks have been detected by whole home testing and in all cases they are being managed well and remain small numbers of staff and residents affected.

There is a real risk that the continued rise in rates in the community will lead to symptomatic infections and the consequences of that on our vulnerable service users.

Whilst there are no outbreaks in home support or other social care provision at present we do see the value in whole staff testing for other groups and **this offer will be further rolled out by the testing team in conjunction with Marley Fields.**

SURVEY FROM BAME MENTAL HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

Please see below the Survey Monkey link for the developed by BAME Mental Health Collaborative to better understand the health needs and experience of BAME communities during lockdown and the impact of Covid-19 on their mental wellbeing. We will use this information to inform our service support and share the key themes to inform commissioners about needs.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BAMESURVEY1>

About the BAME Mental Health Collaborative:

The Bradford & Craven BAME Mental health Collaborative is a collective of Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) practitioners, therapists, policy experts, activists and academics who specialise in the areas of mental health, therapy and delivery of community based services.

Our Aim: To support systemic change in how mental wellbeing services are designed and delivered to people who experience inequalities and ensure better outcomes for people of BAME communities.

The Collaborative works as a sub-group of the Mental Health Provider Forum and accountable to Mental Health Partnership Board.

If you have any questions about the Collaborative, there is a contact form at the end of this questionnaire. Thank you for your time and helping us to understand how to provide the best support for our communities.

INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL TEAM CONTACT FOR THIS WEEKEND

- **Saturday 26 Sep 2020 (10.00-13.00)**
Jacqui Elliott - 078133984841



- **Sunday 27 Sep 2020 (10.00-13.00)**
Mike Horsley - 07582102117

CARE HOMES CURRENT PRESSURES AND FUTURE VISION

We are asking all care homes to complete this short survey (only 5 questions!) by **Wednesday 30 September:**

https://surveys.bradford.gov.uk/snapw_ebhost/s.asp?k=160086860302

This information will be shared with the Association of Directors of Adult Social Services (ADASS) to support strategic planning in the region and will also help us to make decisions about how we support the sustainability of the sector in the short-term. This information is not intended for the public domain, instead we are looking to build a better understanding of the market, therefore need as many homes responding as possible.

BRADFORD CARE HOME RESOURCE PACK

The first interactive Care Home Resource Pack for providers is now live, which brings together clear guidance and good practice to be used locally.

Click [HERE](#) to access!

This guide is designed to complement and not replace local guidance and professional judgement and is a live document which will be updated at least fortnightly, to align with other national and regional guidance.

To provide feedback, report inaccuracies or to provide updates on this pack please contact:

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