

Thursday 28th August 2025

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## **KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

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

- EXPLORING TRANSITIONAL SAFEGUARDING IN YOUTH JUSTICE AND PROBATION – 3<sup>rd</sup> September
  - INTRODUCTION TO PRECEPTORSHIP IN ADULT SOCIAL CARE – 3<sup>rd</sup> September
- Health and wellbeing event for people with learning disabilities – 10<sup>th</sup> September
- Workplace identity and belonging in Bradford district and craven – 23<sup>rd</sup> September
  - BCA Quality Workshop –Enhancing health in care settings – 24<sup>th</sup> September

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

## **NATIONAL EMERGENCY ALERT TEST TO BE HELD ON 7 SEPTEMBER**

The UK Government will send a test emergency alert to mobile phones across the UK at around 3pm on 7 September 2025.

During the test, mobile phones will vibrate and make a loud siren sound for roughly 10 seconds, even if they are set to silent. A message will also appear on phone screens, making it clear the alert is only a test.

The test will be sent to the approximately 87 million mobile phones in the UK.

It is important to test the system because alerts are used to warn if there's a danger to life nearby, including extreme weather. They allow vital information to be sent to people rapidly in an emergency.

**Press release: National Emergency Alert test to be held on 7th September (GOV.UK)**

**UPDATED TRAINING SCHEDULE SEPT-DEC 2025**  
**FREE FOR BDCT COMMUNITY TEAMS, CARE HOME AND DOMICILLIARY CARE**  
**STAFF**

**ADVICE TO HELP YOU STAY SAFE WHEN SEARCHING FOR A HEALTH OR**  
**SOCIAL CARE JOB IN THE UK**

## **INDEPENDENT TRAVEL TRAINING**

Over the last 12 month the Commissioning team and colleagues in the Department of Place have been working together to improve opportunities for people with a learning disability, to access Independent Travel.

Organisations on the daytime activities provider list were able to take advantage of training that enable provider staff to undertake a Level 2 Award in Skills for Teaching Independent Travel, which then means they become travel training trainers.

Having completed this training the daytime activities providers were able to add travel training to their daytime activities offer on the daytime activities provider list.

There are now three providers on the listing open for referrals and able to provide travel training to people with a learning disability. The providers are Assisted Lives, Northcliffe Environmental Enterprises Team and People First Keighley & Craven.

There are two routes where travel training can be accessed;

- **Route one** - is at the initial Care Act Assessment. The Social Work Team undertaking the assessment consider the appropriateness of travel training to the individuals' goals and, where deemed appropriate may consider travel training as part of the individuals' support package.
- **Route two** - is where the individual is already receiving an Adult Social Care support package. Travel training may be considered during a review of a previous assessment undertaken by a Social Work Team or following referral of an individual by their existing daytime activity service provider.

The benefits of travel training for people with a learning disability are clear;

- To increase confidence, which will then allow them to become more independent in all aspects of life and realise their potential.
- To gain essential and transferrable skills that will help them in future to access higher education, work opportunities and social activities.
- It is a big step towards independence, meaning less reliance on parents or carers for travel and transport.
- Improves social interaction and social skills.

The team are hoping to see the positive impact of these new daytime activities and how they make a difference to people's lives.

# IMMEDICARE TIMETABLE FOR SEPTEMBER

## EQUALITIES DATA – ANNUAL QUESTIONNAIRE OCTOBER 2025

We're pleased to let you know that, following the success of last year's initiative, the Adults Commissioning and Contracts Teams will once again be collecting equalities data from our Providers as part of our annual process.

The response in 2024 was excellent, and the information gathered has proven to be extremely valuable in helping us better understand and support the diverse communities we serve.

This October, you will receive a **link to our Equalities Questionnaire**, which will include a **unique service ID**. You will shortly be contacted by a member of the Contract and Quality team with further information.

## CONTINENCE PRODUCTS – YOUR INPUT IS VALUABLE

As you are likely aware, the demand for continence pads continues to rise alongside a static budget. As the organisation responsible for the provision of pads, Bradford Care Association are keen to explore any opportunities for efficiencies that will help us sustain a future provision. To support this approach, they are eager to work with partners to gather views and ideas for making improvements.

BCA are looking to establish a **time limited task and finish group** that will consider opportunities for greater efficiencies.

They would like to invite representatives from residential, and nursing homes alongside homecare providers to participate alongside representatives from the continence service.

This may present an opportunity to consider other joint working opportunities including training support.

If you would be willing to participate in the task and finish group, please forward your details to Louise Bestwick -

[admin@bradfordcareassociation.org](mailto:admin@bradfordcareassociation.org) before **5th September 2025**.



# Helping employees to stay well at work

**FREE** wellbeing support  
for health and care  
employees in **Bradford  
District and Craven**

**Quick, free access to services including:**

- therapy and counselling services to support mental and emotional health
- physiotherapy to support musculoskeletal (MSK) issues such as back pain
- holistic care to support the management of long-term conditions
- access to specialist occupational health services
- support with career choices and transition



Go to the website: [wypartnership.co.uk/healthy-working-life-bradford](https://wypartnership.co.uk/healthy-working-life-bradford)  
for more information or scan the QR code.

This activity is part of **Healthy Working Life**, a joint programme of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority and NHS West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board (ICB). The Health and Growth Accelerator provides £11 million for the ICB and partners to address economic inactivity, prevent it from getting worse, retain jobs and help people return to work.

The below is a rolling survey to allow people to continuously provide feedback on Care Home Services all year round. Please can services display this poster in their homes and encourage responses.



## **2025 Care Home Survey**

**Have your say—help us improve care across Bradford**

Bradford Council is inviting feedback on care home services. Your thoughts and experiences matter and will help us enhance care and support for residents.

### **Who should take part?**

- Care home residents
- Family members or carers supporting a resident

### **Your answers are confidential**

No personal details are required.

If you'd like to raise any concerns, you can share contact details at the end of the survey.

**To complete the survey please scan the QR code below, or visit**

**<https://forms.office.com/e/Ffurz0jPXD>**

Care Home Survey 2025

