

Thursday 10th September 2026



To submit any material for the bulletin, the deadline is 5pm the day before the next edition is due. Please ensure any information you consult is from a reliable source, including the NHS, or Public Health England. Information should be sent to ProviderBulletin@bradford.gov.uk.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Upcoming events can be viewed in the
EVENTS CALENDAR in the Provider Zone

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

INTERNATIONAL RECRUITMENT SURVEYS – ACTION REQUIRED

Providers are reminded that two important International Recruitment surveys are currently open and require completion:

- BMDC International Recruitment Survey – **deadline 17 September**
(LINK)
- NHS Capacity Tracker International Recruitment Return - **mandation window (8-14 September)**

Both surveys provide essential information on the current use of international recruitment within the care sector and help inform workforce planning and support across the district.

All providers are requested to ensure that both surveys are completed by the relevant deadlines. Timely and accurate submissions are important to support local and national workforce intelligence and future planning.

If you have already completed both returns, thank you for your cooperation. If not, please prioritise completion at your earliest opportunity.

Thank you for your support in ensuring these returns are completed.

COST OF CARE EXERCISE

MESSAGE FOR PROVIDERS

You will have been contacted by Grant Thornton regarding the Cost of Care Exercise for Adult Social Care. **The deadline for submission is Friday 18 September.**

Please take the time to complete and submit the spreadsheet by the 18 September deadline. Your engagement is essential to ensuring that future commissioning, fee setting and contract design decisions are based on accurate, real-world evidence. Your participation will help ensure the exercise is representative, transparent, and credible, supporting fair and sustainable arrangements for care and support in Bradford.

If you have any queries or require support at any stage, please email the Grant Thornton project mailbox via this email (Bradford.Cost.of.Care@uk.gt.com). This is also where you should submit your response.

Thank you for your continued support.

THE WEST YORKSHIRE FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION AND ABUSE TEAM

(WYFEAT) TRAINING

The West Yorkshire Financial Exploitation and Abuse Team (WYFEAT) offers a comprehensive training session designed for professionals to address financial abuse and exploitation. This free virtual 90-minute session delves into how financial abuse is covered under The Care Act 2014 and provides practical measures to safeguard service users from scams and doorstep crime.

The training includes real case studies from victims in West Yorkshire to illustrate the team's work and emphasizes the importance of changing the stigma associated with being scammed.

Additionally, the session explains the role of WYFEAT, the referral process, and the support available to victims.

The training will take place on **Thursday 17th September 2026.**

Trainer - Catherine Wilkinson - Safeguarding Officer

To request your place please login to your Enable account, go to "Events," "Available Events" and request your place.

SALMONELLA OUTBREAK INFORMATION

BACKGROUND

Salmonella is the group of bacteria behind one of the most common types of food poisoning in the UK, and while for most people it means a few unpleasant days at home, for others it can lead to serious illness.

Most people become infected through eating contaminated food. Salmonella can be found in foods such as eggs, chicken, pork and dairy products. Fruit and vegetables can also carry the bacteria if they've been in contact with livestock, manure or untreated water.

It is possible in rare cases to catch Salmonella from close contact with someone who has diarrhoea, or from contact with an unwell animal.

The risk to the general public from Salmonella remains low.

Advice for adult social care providers and settings

The longstanding recommendation remains that care providers, including Independent Sector Healthcare Providers and Social Care Providers, should ensure that people are served **thoroughly cooked Class A eggs** from either the **British Lion Code** or the **Laid in Britain assurance schemes**.

All providers should continue to follow established food hygiene guidance, including safe food storage, preparation, cooking and handling practices as part of their routine food safety management arrangements. These controls are designed to minimise the risk of foodborne illness from a range of pathogens and remain appropriate in the current context. Further advice is available online: [Advice on safe storage, handling and use of eggs for catering - GOV.UK](#)

Please refer to the following publications for more information:

1. For general information on Salmonella - [What is Salmonella, and how can you keep safe in an outbreak? – UK Health Security Agency](#)
2. For information on the latest outbreak - [Salmonella outbreak update - GOV.UK](#)

COFFEE MORNING FOR UNPAID CARERS

Are you an unpaid carer for an adult? If the answer is yes, then please join us for a relaxed and welcoming coffee morning connecting you and local organisations to information, advice and support.

You can find out more about your rights as an unpaid carer and what support is available for you. Our social workers will be available to discuss any questions you may have and there will also be local organisations and community groups in attendance to discuss their offer to you as a carer.



Tuesday 15 September



10am - 12pm



Keighley Library, Café Area

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT

To improve road safety, reduce congestion and keep traffic moving, enforcement cameras have been introduced at two busy city centre junctions:

- Sunbridge Road / Godwin Street - to enforce the correct use of the existing yellow box junction
- Shipley Airedale Road / Leeds Road - to enforce the existing no-right-turn restriction

We're asking for your views on proposed camera enforcement of the rules at:

- Vicar Lane / Bridge Street
- Manchester Road / Croft Street

The consultation is open until 16 September 2026.

EVIDENCE STANDARDS FRAMEWORK FOR DIGITAL CARE TECHNOLOGIES – YOUR CHANCE TO PROVIDE INPUT

The Department of Health and Social Care and NHS England have commissioned NICE to adapt the evidence standards framework for digital health technologies to support **evidence-based decision making for digital care technologies used in adult social care.**

In adult social care, examples of digital care technologies (DCT) may include technology such as care planning systems, falls or monitoring sensors, digital medication systems, and workforce support tools.

As more care technologies emerge, a common set of standards can help decision-makers and developers understand:

- what evidence supports the use of a technology
 - whether it is safe and effective
- whether it represents good value for the care system.

To help understand the perspectives of people working in different roles across adult social care and ensure that the ESF is relevant and useful in practice NICE have asked us to circulate two surveys (see below). These should take only 5-10 minutes to complete and is an opportunity for your organisations to provide feedback and influence the framework.

- **[Survey for care provider leadership & frontline professionals](#)**
 - **[Survey for commissioners & purchasers of DCT](#)**

The deadline for both surveys is 18th September 2026.

More information on this work by NICE can be found here: [Our evidence standards framework for digital care technologies | NICE](#)

UPDATED GUIDANCE PREVENTING AND MANAGING AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOUR IN PEOPLE RECEIVING NHS OR SOCIAL CARE

NICE is currently consulting on updated guidance preventing and managing aggressive behaviour in people receiving NHS or social care. The draft guidance outlines practical steps organisations can take to create safer environments, reduce the risk of aggression and respond effectively when incidents occur. The consultation is open until 5pm on Wednesday 16th September 2026. To read the draft guidelines and contribute to this please visit [**Consultation | Aggressive behaviour in people receiving NHS or social care: prevention and management | Guidance | NICE**](#)

PENSION AND MONEY WEBINAR

Join BDCU credit union and the Money and Pensions Service for a free Pension and Money webinar on Tuesday 22 September, 1pm-2pm.

The free online webinar will provide practical information and guidance to help people better understand their pension options, trace lost or forgotten pension pots, plan for retirement and improve their overall financial wellbeing.

It is an online event that is free to attend. You just need to [**book a place.**](#)

[**Find out more**](#)

NEW END-OF-LIFE CARE REPORT

The Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman's new report, [**No second chances: what complaints teach us about end of life care**](#), offers guidance to help councils and care providers deliver compassionate end of life care. It draws on learning from real cases and families' experiences.

[**NICE quality standard on end of life care for adults**](#) echoes this focus, highlighting advance care planning, coordinated care and family support as key to good practice.

THE UK RECOVERY WALK BRADFORD 2026

The UK Recovery Walk is coming to Bradford. This three-day event is a way for those in recovery from addiction to celebrate their recovery, share their stories and remember those who have lost their lives to addiction.

- **The Recovery Conference – Friday 11 September at Bradford Live** - This conference brings together health professionals, care providers and people with lived experience to share best practice and insights into recovery
- **The UK Recovery Walk – Saturday 12 September, Bradford City Centre** - Setting off at 12pm outside City Hall, the Recovery Walk follows a 1mile route around the city centre. There will also be a recovery village in Centenary Square with live music, food, entertainment and a dry bar.
- **The Recovery Ramble – Sunday 13 September, Saltaire** - The Recovery Ramble sets off from the carpark at Salts School and follows a nature trail around Shipley Glen and Roberts Park.

Whether you're in recovery, know someone who is, or simply want to enjoy some music and entertainment, join us for The UK Recovery Walk.

[Find out more](#)

EVENT: RESPIRATORY INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL IN ADULT SOCIAL CARE

As winter approaches, this free online event offers practical support for reviewing your plans and making sure your infection prevention and control measures are up-to-date.

Hear from experts at the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) about what's happening this winter and the latest advice on reducing the impact of respiratory infections. You'll hear practical advice on outbreak management, vaccination and infection control, helping you sense-check your plans and keep people safe over the autumn and winter.

Date: 23 September 2026

 [**Explore the event**](#)

BRADFORD CARES EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2026 FINALISTS ANNOUNCED!

A huge congratulations to our **30 finalists**, selected from an incredible **156 nominations** 🎉

A big thank you to everyone who submitted a nomination. It was fantastic to see so much outstanding work taking place across Bradford, and we're incredibly grateful to everyone who took the time to recognise the dedication, compassion and innovation happening within our care sector. 💙

Join us on **5 November 2026** at Cedar Court Hotel, Bradford, as we celebrate the amazing people, teams and organisations making a difference across adult social care.

- 🌟 Drinks reception
- 🍽️ Three-course meal
- 🏆 Awards ceremony
- 🎵 Live entertainment & DJ

 **Tickets go on sale Monday 14 September.**

Keep an eye out for booking details!

👉 View the full list of finalists via the link -

<https://bradfordcares.co.uk/awards-night/>

GOOD NEWS! BOOKING TRAINING ON BRADFORD CARES IS NOW EASIER.

Bradford Care Association (BCA) has simplified the booking process for training courses available through the Bradford Cares Hub. There is no longer a need to log in to make a booking. Simply select the number of places required and click "**Get tickets**". For some courses, learners may instead be asked to complete a short online form or contact the BCA by email. Where this applies, full instructions are provided on the booking page.

Places are currently available on a range of upcoming courses, including:

 **Well Led** (starting 22 September)

 **CQC Fundamental Standards** (15 October)

 **Oliver McGowan Tier 1 and Tier 2 Training** (various dates through to November)

To view the full programme and book training, visit:

 <https://bradfordcares.co.uk/training-calendar/>

FREE - A Strategic Vision for Eradicating Modern Slavery in the UK - Tuesday 15 September 2026



Sharing the final report "Decade of Dignity: A Strategic Vision for Eradicating Modern Slavery in the UK".

NWG Network is delighted to provide another platform to share the final report "Decade of Dignity: A Strategic Vision for Eradicating Modern Slavery in the UK".

[See the report here](#)

More than 130,000 people are living in modern slavery across the UK today. Without urgent action, exploiters will continue to operate in what has been described as a 'low risk, high reward' environment.

That's why leaders from across the anti-slavery sector gathered at the House of Commons on 8th June 2026 to mark the launch of 'Decade of dignity' – a strategic vision for ending exploitation and human trafficking in the UK. NWG will be hosting this event to promote awareness of the resource and amplify the key messages in the report to support the fight against Modern Slavery in the UK.

Learning outcomes and objectives:

Learn about the key messages from the report, understand how they are relevant to your area of work and, in turn, how you can support transforming this vision into a reality.....

Who is the course intended for?

Everyone who has a commitment to and interest in eradicating Modern Slavery in the UK, including professionals and volunteers at operational and strategic levels from all safeguarding sectors.

SAFE & WELL LED FORUM



1 st October 2026, 1–2 pm [Click here to join](#)

Safe and Well Led is Replacing the Safeguarding Forum

Safe and Well Led goes hand in hand and this new forum brings them together.

WHY ATTEND

- ✓ Gain up-to-date safeguarding insights to strengthen leadership decisions
- ✓ Develop and share best practice to support consistent, high-quality service delivery
- ✓ Deepen understanding of Safe and Well-Led principles and how they drive continuous improvement
- ✓ Learn from real challenges and lessons across the service to improve outcomes
- ✓ Connect with fellow managers to build a supportive network for ongoing problem-solving

WHO IS THIS AIMED AT:

-  Whole Sector (All Provider Types)
-  Registered Managers
-  Deputy Managers
-  Care Managers

SAFE & WELL LED FORUM

SPOTLIGHT ON MEDICINE

- ? What are we seeing?
- ? What are we learning?
- ? What does good practice look like?



Safeguarding

Medication incidents, concerns & learning



Contracts & Quality

What we're seeing across services



Lead Pharmacist - Digital Care Hub

Medication safety, digital practice & support



CQC

Key themes from inspection & assessment



Medication Guidance

A refresher on the guidance, tools & resources available

For a calendar invite, email: admin@bradfordcareassociation.org

The DASV team bring you a powerful learning event for International Men's Day 2026

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MEN'S DAY



This event will combine the latest research evidence, frontline practice insight, and a powerful lived experience exhibition to challenge the silence surrounding childhood sexual abuse and improve access to support - particularly for male survivors. We welcome all practitioners, and encourage male practitioners to join us.

The seminars will be led by Survivors West Yorkshire, showcasing Ben's Place, West Yorkshire's only large-scale specialist service for male survivors.

Dr Stacey Maher (University of Huddersfield) will present her latest research into male survivors.

Lee Cooper will speak about the event's key feature, Victorious Voices, a wraparound survivor-led photography exhibition, which brings together both male and female survivors to demonstrate the strength, solidarity, and allyship that exists across genders in the healing journey.

Event date: Friday 20th November 2026

Time: 10:00am - 3:00pm

Venue: Bronte Lecture Theatre, Bradford College, David Hockney Building, Great Horton Road, Bradford, BD7 1AY



Booking:

[Bfd Council Internal Link](#)

[Children's Trust Link](#)

[External Staff Link](#)

for any booking queries, please contact [**Evolve@bradford.gov.uk**](mailto:Evolve@bradford.gov.uk)

VICTORIOUS VOICES

Unfortunately, the children's trust link isn't available.
Please email [**Evolve@bradford.gov.uk**](mailto:Evolve@bradford.gov.uk).

BECOME A VOICE ADVOCATE



THURSDAY 10TH
SEPTEMBER
10:30AM- 12:30PM

The Mayfield Centre,
Broadway Avenue,
BD5 9NP

WHAT IS A VOICE ADVOCATE?

- SPEAK UP ABOUT ISSUES THAT MATTER TO DISABLED PEOPLE
- HELP ORGANISATIONS UNDERSTAND PEOPLE'S EXPERIENCES
- INFLUENCE POSITIVE CHANGE IN SERVICES AND COMMUNITIES
- REPRESENT THE VOICES OF PEOPLE WHO ARE OFTEN NOT HEARD

✓ DO YOU HAVE LIVED EXPERIENCE OF A LONG-TERM HEALTH CONDITION OR DISABILITY?

✓ WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP MAKE SERVICES BETTER FOR DISABLED PEOPLE ACROSS BRADFORD DISTRICT?

✓ COME ALONG TO OUR VOICE ADVOCATE INFORMATION SESSION AND FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN USE YOUR EXPERIENCES TO HELP SHAPE DECISIONS, INFLUENCE SERVICES AND REPRESENT THE VIEWS OF OTHERS.

EMAIL

voiceadvocates@equalitytogether.org.uk

OPEN TO ANYONE WHO
IS LIVING WITH A
HEALTH CONDITION OR
DISABILITY

SUPPORT TO HELP YOU STAY IN WORK WHILE MANAGING YOUR HEALTH

A FREE SERVICE FOR THE CARE WORKFORCE

A free service for people across Bradford District and Craven who are struggling with **health conditions, pain or mental health issues** and finding it hard to stay in work or to return to work.

We offer a calm, supportive place where you can get specialist rehabilitation, employment guidance, and clinical support that focuses on you.

Everything we provide is centred on helping you manage your health more confidently and stay connected to work

You can self-refer if you are:

- Aged 18 or over
- Currently employed
- Off work sick or at risk of going off work
- Registered with a GP in Bradford District and Craven
- Have a physical or mental health condition that is affecting your ability to work

What you can expect in the service

You'll have access to a range of tailored support options.

This may include

1. Online group sessions
2. One-to-one clinical support
3. Workplace support
4. AHP Clinical Reports

To find out more and to self-refer, use the Vocational rehabilitation link below for Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership.

Vocational rehabilitation self referral: <https://bdcpartnership.co.uk/multisystem-rehabilitation-service/vocational-rehabilitation-self-referral/>



Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training Tier 1 (Part 2) Funded opportunities for Adult Social Care providers in Bradford



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TIER 1 (PART 2)

About the training:

This one-hour online course provides a general awareness of the support autistic people and/or people with a learning disability may need. It includes real-life perspectives from experts with lived experience.

Why this matters:

- Statutory training requirement for all staff who need awareness of the support people with a learning disability and/or autism may need.
- Backed by the Oliver McGowan Code of Practice
- Ensures workforce confidence, compliance and improved care outcomes

Who it's for:

This course is for staff who need a general awareness and understanding of learning disability and autism, rather than those who provide direct specialist care or support. It is intended for people whose roles may bring them into contact with autistic people and/or people with a learning disability, but who do not require the more in-depth Tier 2 training.

Typical examples include:

- Administrative staff
- Facilities staff
- Volunteers
- Other non-clinical or support staff who may interact with patients, service users, or the public.

Costs:

£25 per person

Is funding available?

Yes. Adult social care employers in England can claim full cost of the course via the ASC Learning & Development Support Scheme (LDSS), upon satisfactory course completion and subject to meeting funding conditions. Please be aware, before attending this course, delegates **MUST** complete Part 1 of the Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training Tier 1 (a 1 one hour e-learning module). Failure to complete Part 1 may invalidate your Part 2 certificate and eligibility to claim reimbursement for course fees.

Dates available to book:

- 15/08/2028

**For more information & booking,
[CLICK HERE!](#)**

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NOW**

Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training (Tier 2) Funded opportunities for Adult Social Care providers in Bradford



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TIER 2 (Part 2)

About the training:

This one day, in person, course provides in depth awareness of the support autistic people and/or people with a learning disability may need. Co-delivered by trainers and experts with lived experience of autism and/or learning disability.

Why this matters:

- Statutory training requirement for all staff directly supporting people with a learning disability and/or autism
- Backed by the Oliver McGowan Code of Practice
- Ensures workforce confidence, compliance and improved care outcomes

Who it's for:

This course is for staff who directly provide care, treatment, support, or interventions to autistic people and/or people with a learning disability. It is intended for roles that require a deeper level of knowledge and understanding than Tier 1 because staff have direct responsibility for supporting individuals and making decisions that affect their care.

Typical examples include:

- Care staff and support workers
- Nurses
- Social workers
- Other health and social care professionals delivering direct care or support.

Costs:

£80 per person

Is funding available?

Yes. Adult social care employers in England can claim full cost of the course via the ASC Learning & Development Support Scheme (LDSS), upon satisfactory course completion and subject to meeting funding conditions. Please be aware, before attending this course, delegates MUST complete Part 1 of the Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training Tier 2 (a 1 one hour e-learning module). Failure to complete Part 1 may invalidate your Part 2 certificate and eligibility to claim reimbursement for course fees.

Dates available to book:

- 09/09/2026
- 11/09/2026

✦ [For more information & booking](#)
[CLICK HERE!](#)

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