

Thursday 30th January 2025

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 also be viewed in the **EVENTS CALENDAR** in the Provider Zone!

- Defeating narratives of division training – February 4th
- Bradford Adult Social Care Forum 25/26 – February 4th
- Learning Disability and Sport Workshop – February 5th
 - Mind the gap meet – February 8th
 - Fake news webinar – February 11th
 - Women's Health Conference – February 27th
 - Have your say on proposed savings – March 6th
- IMPROVING YOUR CQC RATING SEMINAR – March 12th
- Huntington's Disease and mental health - online study day – March 20th
 - Dragons - Eun-Me Ahn Dance Company – March 21st – 22nd
 - Black Dyke Band - April 12th

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

Take the Mic 2

Join us for Take the Mic 2 on 5 February 2025, from 6 to 8pm at Common Space, Bradford, for an inspiring evening of creativity and mental health awareness. The event will feature young voices sharing their mental health journeys through music, poetry, rap, art, and more. Visit [TicketSource to book your free tickets](#) for Take the Mic 2. Please share this invite with your friends, family and colleagues.

CONNECT TO SUPPORT

We ask providers to add their organisation's services to the service directory to raise awareness of the services you provide. To add a listing, providers complete this form - [Add a Listing](#). Once complete, providers submit. The submission is reviewed and approved by our CtS officer. There are some video tutorials for providers to follow - [use this link for a video guide on how to update your profile](#).

Forcer protocol for veterans and current armed force personnel

The Forcer Protocol was launched in November 2024 in West Yorkshire and is specifically aimed at veterans and ex-Armed Forces personnel who are at risk of going missing. Prior to a person going missing, the individual or their carers/relatives can complete an online Forcer Protocol form using the [Safe and Found Online website](#) which ensures that the police have immediate access to key information in the event a veteran goes missing.

The Forcer Protocol also links to [Op Nova – a Forces Employment Charity](#) which provides life-changing support for veterans who may be feeling detached, and struggling to deal with life in the civilian world. [West Yorkshire Police's website](#) provides background information about the Forcer Protocol and how to we can provide valuable support to veterans during times of struggle.

Help shape the future of pharmacy services in North Yorkshire

Residents in North Yorkshire and York are being urged to help shape the future on pharmacy services. Public health teams from North Yorkshire Council and City of York Council are asking residents and partner organisations for their opinions on whether the locations, accessibility and services provided by pharmacies are adequate as plans are drawn up to develop the services in the future.

All Health and Wellbeing Boards are required to produce a Pharmaceutical Needs Assessment (PNA) at least every three years to ensure the best decisions about pharmacy services are made for communities. The feedback received will influence decisions on the location of pharmacies, their opening hours and the services provided, ranging from dispensing prescriptions to providing medication counselling.

The questionnaire is anonymous and confidential and should only take around 10 minutes to complete. The survey can be accessed at www.northyorks.gov.uk/nypna and is open until Sunday 2 March.

Feedback sought on bridge over the A629 connecting Steeton and Silsden

In partnership with the West Yorkshire Combined Authority we are asking for feedback on plans for a bridge over the A629 connecting the towns of Steeton and Silsden.

The walking and cycling improvements scheme, which is being called **Steeton and Silsden Connect**, aims to make it easier for people to walk and cycle between the two towns, by providing a safer way to cross the busy A629 dual carriageway.

A short [questionnaire is now available on the Combined Authority's Your Voice website](#) for people to give their feedback. This will be open until 11.59pm on Sunday 16 February.

There will also be two drop-in sessions. The session in Silsden will be at the Hive Community Centre on Saturday 1 February between 10am and 2pm. The session in Steeton will be at the Steeton Hub on Wednesday 5 February between 10am and 2pm.

A webinar will also be held on Tuesday 11 February from 6pm to 7pm.

[Find out more](#)

New ramp connecting Manywells and the Great Northern Railway Trail open

A new ramp giving easier access to the Great Northern Rail Trail for residents living in the Many wells area of Cullingworth has been completed. The new ramp gives local residents direct access to this popular walking and cycling route and children are now able to use the route to get to the local primary school. The work has been carried out by local Shipley contractors Midgely and Palmer Civil Engineering Ltd on behalf of the council.

Volunteer with Bradford 2025

We all know that Bradford's greatest asset is its people. Now it's time to show the world. We're looking for more than 3,500 volunteers to help Bradford 2025 deliver an incredible year of culture. Perhaps you'd like to serve as an ambassador for one of Bradford's diverse neighbourhoods – from Bingley to Barkerend, Ilkley to Idle, Keighley to Clayton. Perhaps you're itching to be one of the faces of Bradford 2025, meeting and greeting the public at our events. Or perhaps you'd be happiest helping out behind the scenes. Whatever your preference, there's a role for you on our volunteering team.

Our volunteers will play a crucial part in the success of our year-long celebration. Experience a year like no other from the inside, be part of a passionate community of new friends – and have an all-round brilliant time. We'll support our team of volunteers every step of the way. You'll get full training for your role, with the opportunity to undertake everything from training in sight-assisted guidance and first aid to an accredited City & Guilds Level 2 Qualification in Customer Service. What's more, we'll cover your travel and food expenses for every shift you attend. Please note: you must be aged 18 or older to become a Bradford 2025 volunteer.

Find out how to sign up and more by visiting the Bradford 2025 website [Volunteer with Bradford 2025](#)

Defeating narratives of division training

Join Bradford's Race Equality Network (REN) at this face-to-face session taking place on Tuesday 4 February from 10am to 3pm at Grange Interlink, Summerville Road, Bradford, BD7 1PX. This session takes place during Race Equality Week, and this year's theme is #EveryActionCounts. Join us at what we hope will be the start of a community building project which will see our communities work together for the good of all, and help move people away from the narratives of blame. [Register your place through this Eventbrite link.](#)

BOOKINGS OPEN FOR BRADFORD DISTRICT AND CRAVEN'S FIRST WOMEN'S HEALTH CONFERENCE

The first Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership women's health conference will take place on Thursday 27 February 2025 at the University of Bradford.

This will be a day dedicated to raising awareness and fostering dialogue around women's health. We're bringing together professionals and community voices through a balanced mix of workshops, plenary sessions, and networking opportunities.

Each session aims to include elements of lived experience to bring the content to life, ensuring impactful and meaningful discussions.

The conference will also see the official launch of our partnership's women's health movement.

Places are free and you can book your place by visiting the bookings page.

[Book now](#)

LGBTQ+ History Month in Bradford

A mix of art, entertainment, learning and discussion sets the agenda for this year's LGBTQ+ History Month, celebrated throughout February in the Bradford District. LGBTQ+ History Month marks and raises awareness of the social changes and barriers overcome by the LGBTQ+ community. This year's theme is Activism and Social Change and each year five historical figures are celebrated. This year's figures are: Octavia Hill, Ivor Cummings, Annie Kenney, Charlie Kiss and Olaudah Equiano.

Events, organised by Bradford Council, University of Bradford, Out Together and Equity Partnership include an introduction to LGBTQ+ terminology; a lesson in the history of liberation and key activists; a session on Queer South Asians of the past, present and future; special exhibitions and activities at Cartwright Hall; a session on the history of the rainbow flag and a ramble across Shipley Glen and Baildon Moor.

[See the full programme of events](#)

Bradford Adult Social Care Forum 25/26 (Whole Sector)

The Bradford Adult Social Care Forum 25/26 will take place on Tuesday 4th February from 3:30 - 5pm via MS Teams. The forum is whole sector and is aimed at all ASC providers.

Agenda includes information on Care Fee Uplifts 25/26 and Commissioning 25/26 update. Full agenda TBC.

MS Teams Login In Details:

Meeting ID: 320 160 627 806

Passcode: S8jV93sA

If you would like to receive a calendar invite, please email admin@bradfordcareassociation.org

Loading Bay – opening March!

We're taking over an empty storage depot on Duke Street, creating a brand-new pop-up arts space to bring a true Bradford 2025 buzz to the heart of our city. Featuring two performance areas and a gallery spread across three atmospheric floors, Loading Bay is set to present everything from gigs and comedy nights to art, immersive theatre and even live video games. [Read more and book for the first shows](#)

Learning Disability and Sport Workshop – Wednesday 5th February (10:00-13:00) at Summat Creative

Developed through a partnership between Mencap Sport and Special Olympics Great Britain this workshop looks at learning disability and sport. It aims to help clubs, coaches and providers of sport understand how to support people with a learning disability to access sporting opportunities in an inclusive environment. The workshop is free to Bradford as part of the Our Active Community Project. I have attached more information about what the workshop includes. Please get in touch if you would like to book on to the workshop.

Find the link to the leaflet [here](#).

For the immedicare February timetable click [here](#).

Closing the gap: meeting our financial challenge

This is [the fourth update](#) (opens as a Microsoft Word document) from our Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership's closing the gap programme.

In this update, you can read more about the below.

- We have now updated our expected deficit position, it is worth noting that we are still running at a deficit. This means we are spending more money (expenditure) across our health and care system than we are receiving (income). Our current system wide deficit position is expected to be around £30m.
- You can find out more about three stage approach, that will help guide us in developing proposals that may see changes to some of the services and treatments we provide to people in our communities. We are also working on a clinical and place strategy to help guide our work across our system over the coming years.
- Our system's commitment to working with our colleagues and our communities and ensuring you have the opportunity to share your views on any proposals we develop. We recognise that this will call for difficult decisions and there is a challenging period ahead of us.

Closing the gap is our system-wide programme, to help us meet the significant financial challenges we face. We remain determined to use our Act as One ethos to involve all sectors in our health and care partnership as this is the only way we can make sound decisions, while acknowledging that there will be undoubted impacts that affect all of us. You can access our previous briefings on [our dedicated webpage for closing the gap](#).

Fake news and navigating AI webinar

This webinar, hosted by Bradford District Credit Union, takes place on Safer Internet Day on Tuesday 11 February from 1pm to 3pm. This is a unique opportunity to explore the challenges of today's digital landscape, from navigating the complexities of artificial intelligence (AI) to recognising and combating fake news. We aim to empower individuals and communities to stay informed and safe online. The session will feature expert speakers from across West Yorkshire and beyond, providing practical advice, real-world insights, and a live Q&A stream. [Find out more and register your place](#)

West Yorkshire Resilience Forum need your help

Can you join us in helping to make our region more resilient to local emergencies and incidents?

We know communities with high resilience can handle challenges and recover quicker from emergencies. So we're aiming to support communities in West Yorkshire become better prepared for incidents, such as flooding, storms and power outages.

To do this, we need to know how prepared you would be if you were ever faced with an emergency. We've created the West Yorkshire Community Resilience survey to help us understand the current level of community resilience and emergency preparedness across the region. The information we obtain through this survey will feed into our work to help communities better prepare for, respond to and recover from emergencies and major incidents.

You can find the survey here or visit our website:
www.westyorkshireprepared.org.uk/communityresiliencesurvey.

It should take no longer than 15 minutes to complete.

The deadline is 9 February.

Who are we?

West Yorkshire Resilience Forum – also known as West Yorkshire Prepared - is made up of the region's emergency responders, Local Authorities, health services and other supporting agencies. To find out more, visit our website www.westyorkshireprepared.org.uk

the West Yorkshire Business
Boost attachment [here](#)

New Year, New Goal: Start saving in 2025!

Facing financial hardship and on a low income?

BDCU are offering savings and loan facilities for employees working in adult social care, primary care, NHS Trusts and the VCSE, delivering health and social care activities in Bradford District and Craven.

SAVINGS SCHEME

- ✓ Open a Credit Union account
- ✓ Save £10 for three months in a row
- ✓ We'll put an extra £30 into your account



LOAN SCHEME

- ✓ £200 loan for staff with low credit rating*
- ✓ Build your credit score
- ✓ Qualify for savings scheme



all applicants will be considered regardless of credit history

**PROMO
CODE**

You must use code:
HSC OFFER
to qualify.



Get your free flu jab



Some people with a learning disability can get very ill if they get flu.



The best way to avoid flu is to get a free flu jab.

NHS
GP surgery

You can have the flu jab at your GP surgery.

Pharmacy +

Or you can have the flu jab at a pharmacy.



If you are scared of needles, tell the nurse. You may be able to have the vaccine as a nose spray instead.

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**HELP US
HELP YOU**
PROTECT AGAINST FLU

Flu **i**mmunisation
Helping to protect everyone,
at every age

The flu vaccination rates for adults with learning disabilities is quite low this year at only 40% of those on the LD register – but we have another 2 months were people can still get there vaccinations so any last minute encouragement would be great !

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR MORE INFORMATION



BRADFORD
REGISTERED MANAGERS NETWORK



SPOTLIGHT ON...

Medication

Tuesday 4th February

10:30am - 12pm

Online - MS Teams

Agenda:

- Provider Update (*approx 10:30 - 11am - Louise Bestwick*)
- Stop Falls – Medication Reviews (*Dawn Flemming*)
- MAR Charts & Administration (*Michele Ackroyd*)
- Medication Audits (*Lauren Ward*)
- Training & Resources (*Rachael Ross & Louise Bestwick*)



Email BCA for a calendar invite and MS Teams details
admin@bradfordcareassociation.org



Greetings From...



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Wish you were here!



To:

Learning Disabled & Autistic People!

Are you ready to take the next steps in your performing arts career?

Come and meet the friendly team at Mind the Gap. Join in our Open Day full of interactive workshops, Q&A sessions, arts & crafts and live performances.

From:

The Academy Team at Mind the Gap

see you soon!

Scan me to register!



Mind the Gap

Unit 2, Silk Warehouse

Patent Street

Bradford, BD9 4SA



Saturday 08
February 2025



12pm - 4pm

Keep in touch! 01274 487390
www.mind-the-gap.org.uk



Befriending Service

**GREAT HORTON | LITTLE HORTON
QUEENSBURY | ROYDS | WIBSEY**

If you, or anyone in your family, are feeling lonely or isolated then the WoW Partnership Befriending Service is here to help.

We offer free, friendly conversation and support over the phone or in the comfort of your own home.

Our befriending Service is:

- Supportive & Personal
- Confidential
- Non-judgmental
- Free

To find out more or register for the service please contact us now

Volunteer **Get Involved**

We are always looking to grow our team of volunteers who support our Befriending Service and many other local community services and events.

"Volunteers are invaluable support for the community, in the community"

We offer:

- Free training
- Free DBS Check
- Volunteer Events
- Opportunity for growth



If you would like to get involved in your community, please contact us.

📞 07951 914790

✉ befriending@royds.org.uk

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Learning
disability
allies



We are.... **L2mU** Luv2meetU



Luv2meetu is a social group based in Bradford welcoming adults with learning difficulties and autism to make new friends and to do lots of fun and also relaxing activities.

Activities are available weekdays, evenings and weekends.

For more information and to to join please contact via email at emma.mitchell@hft.org.uk or call/message 07867179902



RESTORE RECOVERY COLLEGE

Recognise trauma and make sense of it
Focus on your mental wellbeing to overcome trauma
Find coping strategies and tools that can work for you.



Trauma and You



Starts Monday 24th February 2025

12:30pm to 2:30pm

for 6 weeks

at Bierley Community Centre

ENROL NOW! Limited Places Available

Tel: 07538 218 491

Healthy Lifestyle Solutions CIC operating as Restore Recovery College



RESTORE RECOVERY COLLEGE

Do you often lose your temper!

ANGER...Management!

Learn techniques to help you understand why and
where your anger comes from and how to take back your control

Starts Thursday 27th February 2025

12:30pm to 2:30pm

for 6 weeks

at Bierley Community Centre

ENROL NOW! Limited Places Available

Tel: 07538 218 491



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Wound Management Study Day's 2025 (Qualified Nurses – External)

The below sessions will be held face to face on a Tuesday 12:00 to 15:30 at
New Mill, Victoria Road, Saltaire BD18 3LD
(room details to be confirmed at a later date)

All sessions are booked on a first come first served basis

Date
28 th January 2025
15 th April 2025
29 th July 2025
28 th October 2025

Tissue Viability Nurses will cover various topics such as:

Skin Tear Classification
Wound Assessment
Wound Healing Continuum
Dressing & Treatment Choice

Bookings can be made by emailing cft.training@bdct.nhs.uk which should include the **staff name, nursing home,** and the **email address** to be used when we send the pre course material prior to the training session.

Please note: this training is for Qualified Nurses only

*If you are unable to attend on the date booked,
please contact the above email as soon as possible to allow the place to be
offered to another member of staff*

Thankyou

PLEASE NOTE: To book for the session on 28th January, contact us ASAP via the CFT.Training@bdct.nhs.uk inbox. If we don't have enough delegates, we will unfortunately have to cancel the session.

Deputy Managers Leadership Development Programme



Bradford Care Association (BCA), together with the Institute of Health & Social Care Management (IHSCM), have developed a Leadership Development Programme for Deputy Managers. The programme consists of both on-line and in person group sessions plus watching videos from the Aspiring Leaders Playlist and practical embedding of individual learning in the workplace.

The programme will be delivered by the IHSCM over a 6-week period during January and February 2025 and participants must commit to attending every session, as well as watching videos and recording practical examples of embedding their learning in the workplace.

A maximum of 30 places are available, on a first come first served basis, and are limited to one person per CQC registered location.

Care providers are required to pay £125 per person in order to book a place however, upon production of a certificate awarded following successful completion of the programme, BCA will reimburse the full cost of the programme to the care provider.

The £125 fee will not be refunded if a booked place is not cancelled prior to the programme commencing or if the participant does not attend a session or fails to successfully complete the programme.

The criteria to book a place on the programme are as follows:

- The participant must be a member of the IHSCM (membership is free and to join [Click Here](#) and **use the code BDCA**).
- The care provider must be a BCA member (membership is free and to join [Click Here](#)).
- The care provider must pay the £125 fee prior to the programme commencing.

The first session requires both Deputy Managers & their Registered Manager to attend.

Further details about the programme are shown below and if you are interested in booking a place or require any further information, please contact admin@bradfordcareassociation.org.

<p>4th February 10:00 to 16:00</p>	<p>Room G7+G8 Scorex House 1 Commercial St Bradford BD1 4AS</p>	<p>Module 2 – High Performing Teams</p> <p>Module 3 – Leadership Excellence</p> <p>Module 4 – Change Management</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the language of high-performance leadership • Discuss culture vs strategy • Learn the importance of trust and how to build a trusted team • Understand goal setting & fulfilment • Explore methodologies to create service improvement • Explore tools to create accountability within teams • Understand what you are aiming for as a leader • Understand what makes a good leader <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore different team leadership dynamics • Learn skills to assess who you have in your team • Explore what good looks like in terms of communication which includes perspectives, building rapport, as well as barriers to communication. • Develop & practice coaching skills • Develop & practice effective feedback skills • Understand how to manage conflict positively <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn the challenges around managing change • Understand your own barriers around change • Explore how to lead organisational change • Learn change management processes and techniques • Understand how to boost innovation processes and pathways • Learn how to plan and manage change
<p>5th February to 3rd March</p>	<p>Workplace</p>	<p>Embed learning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Watching videos from the Aspiring Leaders Playlist • Embed learning in the workplace • Record evidence and practical examples on learner record
<p>4th March 14:00 to 15:00</p>	<p>MS Teams Online</p>	<p>Review & Next Steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programme review, feedback and evaluation • Details of additional learning and development available both locally & nationally from IHSCM, Skills for Care, etc . . .