

## Regulated Care Sector

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Healthier Lancashire and South Cumbria Regulated Care Sector briefing which aims to keep stakeholders informed and up to date about the work of this group and other items relevant to this sector.

Please visit our website for further information <https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/regulated-care-sector>

### **Adult Social Care Workforce Recruitment Campaign February 2019 – ‘Every Day is Different’**

The Department of Health and Social Care are launching an adult social care workforce recruitment campaign in February 2019 to raise awareness of working in the sector and drive recruitment and help equip the sector with the knowledge and tools to be more effective in how it recruits and retain staff. Follow [www.facebook.com/everydayisdifferent](http://www.facebook.com/everydayisdifferent) to find out more. Please like the page and share the content. DHSC needs your help to make the campaign a success. Please get involved by supplying them with:

- **case studies** which they can use on social media and in press engagement
- **information on how many people are applying for jobs** in your organisation
- **advertise your vacancies on DWP website:** <https://findajob.dwp.gov.uk/sign-in?employer=1>

Please email [casestudies@morecarejobs.co.uk](mailto:casestudies@morecarejobs.co.uk) to get involved.

### **Launch of the NHS Long Term Plan**

The ten-year plan for the NHS has been launched. The plan, developed by NHS England and NHS Improvement, will guide the investment of the extra £20.5bn being made available to the NHS, which was announced last June.

The NHS Long Term Plan will grow and better support the workforce and invest in new technologies to bring the health and social care services into the digital age. There will be a new focus on prevention, personal responsibility and promoting good health, and more rapid diagnostics and new treatments will improve care.

[View the full plan](#) (reading pages 6 – 10 summarises the main components of the plan) or [read a short two-page summary](#).

### **National Apprenticeship Week, 4 – 8 March 2019**

**The theme for the 12th annual National Apprenticeship Week is: “Blaze a Trail”**, demonstrating how apprenticeships bring new energy and passion into businesses. Apprenticeships are a great path for people at any stage of their career from those starting out, to those re-entering the workforce, or those wanting to reskill or change careers.

Apprenticeships are for those individuals and employers who have the spirit to blaze their own path and the passion to follow their dreams.

If you want to get involved or want to ask for more information, please email [The.Week@education.gov.uk](mailto:The.Week@education.gov.uk)

### **Provider forums**

The Regulated Care Quality Group has been working in response to provider feedback regarding the concern that provider forums are falling in the same weeks. As a result, the dates of forums for Lancashire and South Cumbria have been compiled and can be found on the website here:

[https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/application/files/4315/4868/2018/HLSC\\_Provider\\_Forum\\_List\\_2019v2.pdf](https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/application/files/4315/4868/2018/HLSC_Provider_Forum_List_2019v2.pdf)

If you have a forum which you would like listed please get in touch with [e.williams18@nhs.net](mailto:e.williams18@nhs.net)

### **Brexit**

A letter from the Permanent Secretary for the Department of Health and Social Care has been sent to adult social care providers and commissioners providing further detail on Government’s preparations for a March ‘no deal’ scenario for adult social care. Accompanying the letter is EU Exit Operational Readiness Guidance

which will support the health and care system in England to be prepared for a 'no deal' exit. Adult social care providers are encouraged to use this guidance as a prompt to test contingency plans.

The letters can also be found online [here](#)

Further details from the Department of Health and Social Care on EU Exit preparedness can be found [here](#).

The EU Exit Operational Guidance can also be found online [here](#)

### **Pop-up recruitment events in Lancaster town centre**

#### **Call to action to showcase career opportunities in the regulated care sector**

Following on from the Health and Social Care 'Amazing Lives' event at Lancaster and Morecambe College in June and the Morecambe Arndale shopping centre in August, there are pop up recruitment events currently taking place in Lancaster Marketgate shopping centre:

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Feb**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb**

For more information please email: [MBCCG.qstevents@nhs.net](mailto:MBCCG.qstevents@nhs.net)

### **Reminders**

#### **Data Security and Protection Toolkit (DSPT)**

<https://www.dsptoolkit.nhs.uk>

The Data Security and Protection Toolkit (DSPT) is an online self-assessment tool for data security which supports organisations in demonstrating:

1. General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) compliance.
2. Compliance with the expected data security standards for health and social care for holding, processing or sharing personal data.
3. Readiness to access secure health and care digital methods of information sharing such as NHSmail and Summary Care Records (a summary of GP information about an individual) and local information sharing solutions. **NHS mail allows summary care information to be shared between health & social care.**
4. Good data security to the CQC as part of the Key lines of Enquiry (KLOEs).

The Care Provider Alliance also have more details on GDPR, including e-learning and templates which can be used to fulfil GDPR criteria:

<https://www.careprovideralliance.org.uk/information-governance.html>

Webex training can be found using the following link: <https://www.dsptoolkit.nhs.uk/News/40>

### **Flu vaccinations**

Flu vaccinations are available for people working in care homes and care in the home. Health and social care staff need to be aged 18 and over, employed by a registered residential care/nursing home or registered domiciliary care provider who are directly involved in the care of vulnerable people at increased risk from exposure to influenza, meaning those people in a clinical risk group or aged 65 years and over.

### **Capacity Tracker**

All bed vacancies for care homes are now sourced for patients/clients through the Capacity Tracker.

Providers need to activate the tracker and to update it on a regular basis, even if there are no changes as discharge teams will focus on the providers where there are vacancies.

To register on the Capacity Tracker, go to <https://carehomes.necsu.nhs.uk> or if you're having problems logging on to the system you can contact local the NECS helpdesk on: 0300 555 0340

#### **Question and Queries**

This briefing is for use within your own organisation and across your local system, for discussion and information. Please feel free to include it on meeting agendas and circulation lists as you see fit.

If you have any questions or queries please contact [e.williams18@nhs.net](mailto:e.williams18@nhs.net) and we will endeavour to respond as soon as is practicable.

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