# **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 <u>https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/regulated-care-sector</u>

## Dept. for Health and Social Care - Adult Social Care Recruitment Campaign

## 'When you care, every day makes a difference." https://www.everydayisdifferent.com

The next phase of the Adult Social Care Recruitment Campaign launched on 15 October and is now live until April 2020.

- Sign up to receive updates: <u>https://bit.ly/2HiHNdr</u>
- Advertise vacancies In the last two weeks, 12% more social care vacancies have been advertised on <u>DWP Find a Job</u> in England. Job listings on DWP have a 30 day expiry, so please make sure you refresh your vacancies on DWP Find a Job, as well as your own jobs boards throughout the campaign.
- When uploading vacancies to DWP, you must make sure they are uploaded under category 12 "healthcare and nursing" (not 'social work') and include the words 'social' and 'care' in the job title *and* job description to ensure your vacancies appear in the results
- Share the real experiences of those that work in adult social care on the <u>Facebook page</u>.

## Data Security and Protection Toolkit (DSPT)

The Data Security and Protection Toolkit (DSPT) <u>https://www.dsptoolkit.nhs.uk</u> is an online self-assessment tool for data security which enables care providers to have access to NHS mail for the secure transfer of care information between health and social care providers.

The benefit of having NHS mail can be seen in the video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FgLZ4-Rd6dw&feature=youtu.be&app=desktop</u>.

## NHS Mail accounts

The following link shows how to obtain NHS mail accounts for care providers. <u>https://support.nhs.net/knowledge-base/registering-a-social-care-organisation-e-g-a-care-provider-or-care-home-service/</u>

## **Digital Social Care**

Digital Social Care is a dedicated space to provide advice and support to the sector on technology and data protection:

<u>https://www.digitalsocialcare.co.uk/</u> <u>https://www.digitalsocialcare.co.uk/protecting-my-information/data-security-and-protection-toolkit/</u>

## Flu vaccinations programme 19/20

Social care and nursing staff are eligible for a free vaccine again this year. NHS England offers the flu vaccine to social care and hospice workers through GPs and community pharmacies. Flu vaccine is the best protection against an unpredictable virus that can cause severe illness and death among at-risk groups, including older people, pregnant women and those with an underlying medical health condition. https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/flu-influenza-vaccine/





## Medicine Safety Improvement Plan (MSIP)

MSIP will focus on medication administration in care homes, the first phase is a national survey of care homes to understand the problems related to safe medication administration. This survey will be facilitated by our local ASHN – the Innovation Agency, and invitations to participate will be sent in the next few weeks. Contact: <u>connie.sharrock@innovationagencynwc.nhs.uk</u> for more information.

## Placement experiences for Private, Independent and Voluntary Organisations (PIVOs), Listening event Wednesday 8th January 2020, 12.30 – 4.00 p.m.

Health Education England are funding a project to support Organisations to reflect upon their experiences of supporting learners on care placement programmes. This event is also appropriate for Organisations who are yet to experience placement provision. Please reserve a place via the following Eventbrite: https://l-sc\_pivo.eventbrite.co.uk/ Or to discuss this further email: cmccausland@uclan.ac.uk.

## Training Opportunities

## Lancashire and South Cumbria Free Training guide and Apprenticeships guide

Guides have been developed for social care employers by teams in Lancashire and South Cumbria which give details of access to local free and funded training offered by colleges and organisations: <u>https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/application/files/1315/7175/3552/HLSC\_Summit\_booklet.pdf</u> The information was distributed at the recent Social Care Recruitment Forum alongside an easy guide to apprenticeships linked into an apprenticeship website: <u>https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/application/files/6815/7175/3859/Employers\_Quick\_Guide\_2sided.pdf</u>

## Gold Standards Framework

GSF training for Care Homes is available at St Catherine's Hospice in Preston, the first course starts at the end of January. Information on how to register is in the flyer.



## New online resources available for nurses and AHPs to keep people at home

A wealth of online resources can be found including sections on:

Improving mouth care / Maximising leadership / Engaging other Health and Care colleagues / Home First / Red Bag scheme / Valuing People's time / #EndPJParalysis / Effective Early Discharge Planning / Look after yourself, Look after Others / Dementia / End of Life Care

https://portal.e-lfh.org.uk/Catalogue/Index?HierarchyId=0\_44091&programmeId=44091

## Complex Conversations and Decisions for Care Home leaders

Webinars are available which support complex conversations, such as Planning and Preparation for the End of Life , Sexual Intimacy, Decision Making at the End of Life and Decision making in Care Homes : Insights from the NMC (England). The resources can be used concurrently or individually as continuous practice development or to assist care home managers understanding about the roles and potential of registered nurses.

The webinars are open access and may be used to support the offer for recruiting care home staff. <u>https://www.rcn.org.uk/clinical-topics/older-people/professional-resources/complex-conversations-and-decisions</u>

Further training can also be found on the Healthier Lancs and South Cumbria website.

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 <u>e.williams18@nhs.net</u> and we will endeavour to respond as soon as is practicable.

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