

## THE BIG WEEKEND 25-28 JUNE

This weekend there is a big push nationally and locally to vaccinate as many people as possible. You can get a vaccination via an appointment or by walk-in at a range of locations across the district.

To view which sites are offering vaccines this weekend and over the coming weeks you can download an excel spreadsheet using this [LINK](#)

## COVID-19 SUPPORT TEAM WEEKLY VLOG

Matty is back with news about the CQC data release, outbreak protocol, and addressing concerns about staff potentially leaving your service. You can view the video [HERE](#)

## OCCUPANCY SUPPORT SCHEME – DEADLINE REMINDER

Period 9 ends this week and the deadline for applications is **Sunday, 4 July**. The application form and guidance are available [HERE](#). Late applications will not be accepted.

An email has been sent to care homes about the final phase of the scheme which will start from period 10. Information will be added to the Provider Zone about the changes shortly.

# DON'T WAIT, VACCINATE!

## ENHANCED TESTING - BRADFORD COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS VIDEO MESSAGE

Please watch this video where champions talk about enhanced testing taking place in Bradford using this [LINK](#). We would like to encourage you to share this video as widely as you can.

# CQC DATA RELEASE ON COVID DEATHS IN ENGLAND

## What Is Happening?

The CQC has announced that it will publish data on Covid deaths in care homes at a provider level, including detail down to individual homes. This will be considerably more detailed than what is in the ONS data publications, currently the most detailed publicly available data. CQC are responding to a Freedom of Information Request and after taking advice they have concluded that they do not have any choice (under Fol legislation).

The data will be published on Wednesday 21st July and care providers should get some prior warning in advance of the announcement as CQC will be in touch with each provider to check the information they hold is correct. The data will cover the period from 10th April 2020 to 31st March 2021. We expect them to use the data which providers submitted, i.e. the 'notifications of death' on which the question 'Was the death the result of Coronavirus?' was answered 'YES'.

## Should Providers Be Concerned?

A similar data release in Scotland led to some negative press coverage, but not as much as 'Scottish Care' expected. There was considerable interest from local media, and some of this was challenging for providers – e.g. league tables which some unhelpful organisations drew up, without any understanding of the context around the data. Even a small amount of negative coverage might be very unpleasant, especially for people (staff and residents) who have come through an outbreak.

## How Can We Prepare?

There are a number of things you can do to prepare for the release of the data:

- Get your own data together; you can work out from your own records what the numbers look like for your Home, which will help you prepare. It will also help you check that anything published is correct (there were some significant accuracy issues with the Scottish data and with some of the press coverage).
- Let staff know this is going to happen to avoid any nasty shocks, particularly any staff who might be asked about it on the day, whether by residents, visitors or potentially the press.
- Work out how you want to deal with any press enquiries; how would you respond if a journalist contacts you? Make sure any staff who may be the initial point of contact (e.g. by answering the phone) know what you want them to do. That might well be to politely explain that they can't help, but to take the details of the person calling and make sure they are passed on very promptly so someone else can respond.

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## How Can We Prepare? (Continued)

You might also want to advise residents and visitors that this is going to happen. If you had an outbreak, consider whether you want to inform the relatives of anyone who died, as this could be a difficult time for them too.

If you have any concerns about how you communicated at the time, it may be worth some pre-emptive effort, ahead of publication, to share information with residents, families and potentially staff. If people find out from the newspaper that you had cases in your service they may feel you were not open at the time.

If you have the resources, preparing a short report in response may help you if you are contacted by journalists; it gives you something to work from when you speak to them, and can even be something you could send out.

## How Should We Respond?

When publication happens, keep an eye on the social media feeds from the Independent Care Group. They will issue statements you can use parts of, and you might want to share their comments on your own media channels.

If there are any mistakes in the data relating to your home, either as published by CQC or as reported, it might be important to get these corrected quickly.

In any statement or comments that you make, try to:

- Be prompt as journalists will be working to deadlines
- Express compassion and empathy; acknowledge the sadness of every death, and explain the impact on staff, residents and families
- Don't be afraid to explain the measures that you took to try to keep residents safe, which could be anything including IPC measures, testing, staff training, sickness payments, new equipment etc.

You can also explain who you worked with during that period, and where you sought advice, to stress that you did everything you could (e.g. the Local Authorities, Clinical Commissioning Groups, local IPC teams, Care Home Quality Support Team, buddy working with other homes.)

Include any feedback from residents or relatives which you think would be helpful (with their permission), stress your commitment to offering high quality care and try to have some 'good news' stories on hand as you may be able to offer an alternative narrative, or at least context for the story.

# THE BIG VACCINATION WEEKEND

OVER 18s WALK IN COVID VACCINATIONS

SATURDAY & SUNDAY  
26/27 JUNE 9AM - 5PM

## SITE 1

Silsden Medical Practice  
Elliott Street  
Silsden  
BD20 0DG

## SITE 2

Community Rooms  
Emily Street Mosque  
Keighley  
BD21 3EG

PLEASE REMEMBER TO WEAR SUNSCREEN,  
BRING WATER & WEAR A HAT... OR UMBRELLA!

BOTH SITES OFFERING BOTH PFIZER & AZ



**modality  
partnership**  
A Commitment to Care

# DATA FOR THE SOCIAL CARE SECTOR IN BRADFORD

	Latest	Change
Deaths	0	0
Infections	7	1
Outbreaks	2	1
Occupancy	76%	0
Care Home Tracker Completed	94%	-2
Home Support Tracker Completed	78%	-4

## HOME SUPPORT PLACEMENTS (last 7 days)

Total Placements	Locality Providers	Other Providers
29	15	14

## CARE HOME PLACEMENTS (last 7 days)

Total Placements	Change
14	-1

## CARE HOME VACANCY DETAILS (last 7 days, both Residential and Nursing)

PERCENTAGE OCCUPIED	NUMBER OF HOMES
Under 70%	31 (+2)
71% to 85%	32 (-3)
86%+ Occupied	47 (+1)

## Bradford Care Home Occupancy Rate



## Bradford Care Homes with a Covid-19 Outbreak



## Bradford Care Home Completed Tracker in last 7 days



## Number of Covid-19 Infections

