

Update from Jane Wood, AD Commissioning and Integration

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Infection rate in Bradford

- The rate in Bradford had stabilised but is now going up in places meaning we have moved back up to ‘enhanced monitoring’ and the council is taking all measures within its powers to reduce spread of infection in the general population and avoid a local lock down.
- **For the care sector** this means continued vigilance to maintain strict IPC measures but also for care staff to be aware of the risks outside work and not to let their guard down or become complacent .
- **Outbreaks in care settings** there remains low numbers of outbreaks in care homes and the majority of these are asymptomatic and discovered through whole home testing arrangements. There have been some small outbreaks in supported living and home support services too.

Shielded and other vulnerable staff

- At a national level there are plans to reduce measures for people in the shielded group, including advising they can return to the workplace from 1st August, however given the local position in Bradford, the council will be continuing to support shielded staff and other staff at higher risk from the infection including people with underlying health conditions, and BAME staff to continue to work remotely wherever possible. Where staff do need to attend a work place we will be undertaking further individual risk assessments and taking other mitigating actions to support those employees.
- I would like to advocate that colleagues in the independent care sector take a similar approach to support and protect your staff.

Financial Support

- 31st July is the deadline for submission for the voids grant scheme for care homes.
- Remittance notices can be expected by next week for those that have applied.
- We will be using the data that has been submitted on the claim forms to undertake further analysis of financial risks for the sector including as a result of loss of self funder and NHS funding, and will be considering what further actions may be needed thereafter.

NHS Capacity Tracker data as of 29/7/20

Vacancy Type	Declared Vacancies	Declared Total Beds	Declared Vacancies Closed	Declared Total Beds Closed	Occupied Beds	Occupied Beds Percent
General Residential	286	1264	19	55	978	77.37%
Dementia Residential	184	810	8	54	626	77.28%
General Nursing	168	680	0	0	512	75.29%
Dementia Nursing	55	315	0	0	260	82.54%
Mental Health Residential	55	205	0	0	150	73.17%
Learning Disability Residential	18	166	5	20	148	89.16%
Mental Health Nursing	14	110	0	0	96	87.27%
YPD - Young Physically Disabled	5	59	0	0	54	91.53%
Learning Disability Nursing	2	24	0	0	22	91.67%
Totals	787	3633	32	129	2846	

All data input at source, by all locations registered for residential and nursing care in district (this includes in house).

Data captures all updates in the last 7 days. Any variances to CQC bed data is as a result of current reporting by the location direct – this takes into account homes whose operating model is not the same as those registered with CQC.