

PROVIDER BULLETIN

Tuesday 25 May 2021

PPE – IPC UPDATE

At the BCA IPC meeting on Tuesday there was a discussion about the new PPE guidance and about what PPE visitors to the home should be wearing. The visiting guidance below which was released 14th May states that visitors to the home should be supported to wear 'appropriate PPE'.

Since the 'How to work safely in care homes' guidance suggests that staff may only be required to wear a face mask when in the vicinity of residents where there is no suspicion of COVID-19 or other respiratory illnesses the same could be said for visitors entering the home unless they are performing personal cares or classed as an 'essential visitor'.

The decision on what is deemed 'appropriate PPE' is left to the discretion of the care home and may be dependent on a number of factors including the vulnerability of the resident or of other residents in the home. Visitors will still need to have a negative test prior to being allowed into the home and be supported to adhere to other infection prevention and control measures including hand hygiene and social distancing.

If you have any concerns or comments in relation to this please do not hesitate to contact the Infection Prevention team.

- [Guidance on care home visiting - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/care-home-visiting)
(www.gov.uk)
- [COVID-19: how to work safely in care homes - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-how-to-work-safely-in-care-homes) (www.gov.uk)

INVITATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE TO SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has put together a survey to understand the experience of providers that have received PPE via their local authority (LA) or Local Resilience Forum (LRF). They will use your answers to this to improve communications about PPE, the quality of PPE and to discover any problems regarding PPE that need resolving. More detail can be found when clicking on the survey link below.

You can find more information on the LA and LRF PPE supply route [HERE](#)

DHSC would like to invite you to answer the survey if you are **involved in PPE in your organisation** (e.g. you wear PPE, you manage PPE etc.), and you have:

- received PPE from your local authority or LRF **and/or**
- you are one of the eligible sectors listed above.

The link to the survey can be found [HERE](#). You have until **18 June 2021** to complete this survey.

IT'S A RISKY BUSINESS

POSITIVE RISK MANAGEMENT = EXCEPTIONAL OUTCOMES

WEDNESDAY 26TH MAY
13:30 - 16:00

The BCA, in partnership with Brightening Minds are hosting a Quality Workshop. The Workshop will focus on Risk Management and will include:

- PIR Risk Based Questions
- Tools + Techniques to Support Dynamic Risk Assessment
 - Positive Risk Taking
- Guest Speaker: *A persons lived experience of positive risk taking*
 - LA: Care Sector Workforce + Quality Support

Event Booking

[Click here to get your FREE TICKET from EventBrite.](#)

If having any problems booking your place please email
admin@bradfordcareassociation.org

EU SETTLEMENT SCHEME

Comms

A range of EUSS information to support applicants is available on GOV.UK. This includes [translated mainstream guidance](#), and [translated EUSS factsheets](#).

Free support with complex cases

EU Delegation provides free legal support surgeries that can be booked [online](#). The aim of providing one-to-one legal support to at least 10 vulnerable citizens per surgery. Local authorities can book the surgeries for children in care and care leavers so please share this information with your children's services teams.

Free online workshops

A number of free information sessions and workshops covering different aspects of the EU Settlement Scheme are available in May and June, starting from next week. Please see below for dates and details how to book on. Please circulate it among your networks.

EU Citizens' Rights – Care Homes Information sessions

Wed, 26th May 10:00am-12:00pm

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/eu-citizens-rights-care-homes-information-session-tickets-148329538643>

EU Settlement Scheme beyond the deadline

Wed, 26th May 1:00-2:30pm

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/eu-settlement-scheme-beyond-the-deadline-registration-153799310879>

Progress of the EU Settlement Scheme

Thu, 10th June 10:00-11:30am

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/progress-of-the-eu-settlement-scheme-registration-153798695037>

**STAY SAFE, MAKE SPACE
AND VENTILATE**



Our **COVID-19 vaccination bus** will be calling at



The Thornbury Centre Car Park,
79 Leeds Old Rd, Bradford BD3 8JX,
10am-1pm

Outside Laisterdyke Library and
Community Centre, Manse St (off
Leeds Road), BD3 8RP, 3-7pm

For anyone aged 40+, carers or frontline health and social care staff as well as those aged 18+ who are clinically vulnerable.

DROP-IN SERVICE

If you know someone who is eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine, **please encourage** them to come to the vaccination minibus.

Supporting COVID-19 vaccine uptake across our communities



HANDS



FACE



SPACE



FRESH AIR

