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PROVIDER BULLETIN

Thursday 16 March 2023

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

March 2023 – BCA Digital Month:

- DSPT - Part 2 (answer the remaining 16 q's - Standards Met) – Thursday 16th March (10-11am). [Book your free place on the webinar - Click here!](#)
- Digital Wellbeing and Activities Platform – Thursday 16th March (12-1pm). [Book your free place on the webinar - Click here!](#)
- Digital Care Management Platform – Friday 17th March (11am-12pm). [Book your free place on the webinar - Click here!](#)
- Cyber Security; why it is important to you! – Friday 17th (12-3pm). [Book your free place on the webinar - Click here!](#)

Upcoming events can also be viewed in the [Events Calendar](#) in the Provider Zone!

IMPORTANT UPDATE ON THE HOME SUPPORT TENDER

Please note that it is our intention to publish the Home Support tender opportunity on Monday 27 March.

The tender documents will be published on the YORtender web portal. If you have not already registered your organisation on the YORtender system, please do so here: [Supplier registration \(eu-supply.com\)](http://eu-supply.com)

Providers who have already expressed an interest in the Market Engagement Stage, please note we will be publishing the tender under new reference number 65088, with the title 'Reimagining Home Support for the Bradford District'. We will send out a follow up message once the new opportunity is live, with instructions of how to search and register an interest in the tender.

Thank you to all providers who have expressed an interest in this project and engaged with us in the development stages.

CARE HOME SERVICE IMPROVEMENT BOARD

The Commissioning and Contracts Team would like to invite you to join the **Care Home Service Improvement Board**. The next meeting is on the 29th March 2 – 4pm (on Teams) and there will be a presentation of the first **Care Home Annual Quality Review Report**. The presentation will outline the findings of all the data submitted about care homes across the Bradford District. An action plan will be created and this will define the agenda of the SIB for the next 12 months. This is a great opportunity for Registered Managers, Nominated Individuals or Quality Leads to join the SIB and to help shape the SIB's role in driving quality across the care home sector.

The SIB will also have an important agenda item about some contract amendments that commissioners are proposing to the current contract in order to move from Net to Gross payments.

If you would like to join the Care Home SIB. Please email Paulina.Kozanecka@bradford.gov.uk to receive the meeting invitation.

GAIN PRACTICAL SKILLS AND DIGITAL KNOWLEDGE TO BECOME A "DIGITAL CHAMPION"



Skills for Care is delivering a learning offer to the adult social care sector supporting the social care workforce to champion the uptake and use of digital technology amongst care staff and people accessing care and support.

These skills can help members of staff to become a "Digital Champion", who would have the role and associated practical skills to help support colleagues, and people accessing care and support, in how to more ably, effectively and safely use technology - from care management systems, to navigating the internet, to being part of a video-call online.

Championing the use of technology within a care setting can support the adoption, interest and uptake of new or existing technology. In turn this can improve the speed, safety and quality of care services for people, support staff learning and career development, support wider staff use and secure sharing of electronic information, and help to develop your organisation's wider capabilities with technology and software.

If you wish to be considered for this programme, please submit your application by 17:00 on Friday 17 March 2023.

Please click [here](#) to access the registration link.

Please click [here](#) to access the Friendly URL.

For any queries and questions please contact events@skillsforcare.org.uk

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Process and timeline

13 February - 17 March 2023: applications are open

17 March 2023: application deadline

21 March 2023: applicants will be informed whether they have been selected for the programme

The programme has two cohorts. Candidates need to state which cohort they would prefer to be part of, although we cannot guarantee to offer the first choice.

Candidates must commit to attending all three workshops

Workshops will be online via Zoom.

Cohort one dates

Workshop 1: Role of a digital champion

Tuesday 18 April 2023, 13:00 - 16:00

Role and responsibilities of how to support people with adopting and using technology within a care setting.

Workshop 2: Communicating with technology

Monday 24 April 2023, 13:00 - 15:00

Digital Champion's role for people using communication technology, including communicating with different devices and applications.

Workshop 3: Being safe and secure online

Wednesday 3 May 2023, 13:00 - 15:00

Digital Champion's role in supporting people to be safe and secure when connected online, such as when navigating the internet and sharing online information.

Cohort two dates

Workshop 1: Role of a digital champion

Wednesday 19 April 2023, 13:00 - 16:00

Role and responsibilities of how to support people with adopting and using technology within a care setting.

Workshop 2: Communicating with technology

Tuesday 25 April 2023, 13:00 - 15:00

Digital Champion's role for people using communication technology, including communicating with different devices and applications.

Workshop 3: Being safe and secure online

Thursday 4 May 2023, 13:00 - 15:00

Digital Champion's role in supporting people to be safe and secure when connected online, such as when navigating the internet and sharing online information.

BRADFORD SCIENCE FESTIVAL RETURNS

Bradford Science Festival returns from 23 May – 4 June 2023 with an unmissable programme of hands-on experiences and exciting events. Get ready for a celebration of surprising science and fascinating fun, with events at the National Media Museum and across Bradford.

WHATS ON NEXT WEEK?

Digital Month



Mon, 20th

11 - 11:30am

NHSmail Support

Target - All Care Providers

The secure email service is approved by the DHSC for sharing patient identifiable and sensitive information.

[Book your free place on the webinar - Click here](#)

Tues, 21st

2 - 3pm

Digital Care Planning System Demo with KareInn

Care planning system that drives the highest quality standards in compliance and keeps your residents and staff safe, informed and happy.

Digital Care Planning Demo with Sekoia

Sekoia is an award-winning, flexible Digital Care Planning and Management system suitable for all service types and sizes.

Target - Care Home Providers

[Book your free place on the webinar - Click here](#)

Wed, 22nd

10 - 11am

Review and republish your Data Security and Protection Toolkit (2022-23)

Target - All care providers who have published before, and are reviewing and republishing their DSPT.

[Book your free place on the webinar - Click here!](#)

...More webinars below



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Digital Month



Wed, 22nd

2 - 3:30pm

Yorkshire and Humber Care Record / Interweave Demo

Target - All Care Providers

How Interweave can enable your organisation to access info in one secure place; quicker decision making & improved care.

[Book your free place on the webinar - Click here](#)

Thurs, 23rd

10 - 11pm

Falls Technology Webinar

Target - All Care Providers

Explore technologies that are widely available to you that can help you to support the best quality of care.

[Book your free place on the webinar - Click here](#)

Thurs, 23rd

2 - 3:30pm

Digital Tools for Recruitment & Retention

Target - All Care Providers

Explore lessons learnt, tips for using technology, and how digital technology can free up staff time & support wellbeing

[To book your free place, please click here!](#)

Fri, 24th

10 - 11am

Subject Access Requests - Hempsons

Target - All Care Providers

Subject access requests webinar including information on how to handle them and understand what your obligations are.

[To book your free place, please click here!](#)

admin@bradfordcareassociation.org

Care Homes and VCS Links Project

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We are looking for Care Homes across Bradford District & Craven to be part of our project which will aim to identify community assets within your local area and support you to develop networks that will enable residents to take part in activities and groups that matter to them.

Working in partnership with the VCS Alliance, we will link you with a VCS organisation lead who will work with you to understand what activities or local groups your residents are keen to get involved with. They will identify local community groups and explore opportunities for you to build active networks to improve outcomes for staff, individuals living in Care Homes and the wider community.



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- Create volunteering opportunities which could lead to supporting Care Home workforce gaps
- Improve your Care Home Care Quality Commission ratings
- Engaging families and relatives in identified provisions (increasing familial visits)

Care Homes will be remunerated for engagement with this project to free up staff and managers time to engage with the VCS and wider organisations.

If your Care Home would like to get involved, please contact joanne@thevcsalliance.org.uk

PROPOSED FEE UPLIFTS 23/24

You will have received a letter from Jane Wood, Assistant Director – Commissioning & Integration, earlier this week sent to the Bradford Care Association on behalf of Bradford Council and Bradford & District ICB in relation to the proposed fee uplifts for adult services in 23/24.

The letter and the associated list of service uplifts can be found here; [Provider Zone | Bradford Connect to Support](#) within the 'Guidance and Useful Document; section.

HAVE YOUR SAY ON DISORDERED EATING AND/OR EATING DISORDERS SERVICES ACROSS BRADFORD DISTRICT AND CRAVEN

Mental health, learning disabilities and neurodiversity (falling under Healthy Minds) is one of the five priority areas for [Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership](#). Within the mental health workstream there is the [community mental health transformation](#) (CMHT) work taking place.

One of the strands of work for CMHT is looking at how services are being delivered for disordered eating and/or eating disorders. We're encouraging professionals and the public to have their say on disordered eating and/or eating disorders services across Bradford District and Craven. We would like to understand the demand and needs of people with disordered eating and/or eating disorders so that we can shape future services to meet the needs of our communities.

Can we please ask you to share and support the following:

- [Information flyer for professionals](#)
- [View survey \(closing date 31 March 2023\)](#)
- [Information flyer for the public](#)
- [View survey \(closing date 31 March 2023\)](#)
- [Social media plan](#)

FOCUS GROUP - IMPACT OF VIOLENT CRIME

The West Yorkshire Violence Reduction Unit (WYVRU) is committed to reducing the number of violent crimes in Yorkshire and making it a safer place to live. CNet are carrying out a focus group on their behalf which aims to look at the impact of violent crime, particularly knife crime, in and around City ward of Bradford. We want to hear your views and experiences. Come along to our focus group on **Wednesday 15 March 2023, 10:30am – 12pm at The Millside Centre, 131 Graftan Road, Bradford BD1 2HS. Lunch and networking from 12pm.**

Please book your place via Eventbrite <https://bit.ly/41IzY2R> or email saima@cnet.org.uk

HEALTHY MINDS WEBSITE REDEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

The Healthy Minds website (<https://www.healthyminds.services/>) is the 'go to' for mental health support across Bradford District and Craven. The website is currently undergoing a major redevelopment by Bradford District and Craven Health and Care Partnership (<https://bdcpartnership.co.uk/>). This is an opportunity for you to help shape the future of the Healthy Minds website, to ensure that the website meets the needs of the diverse communities across Bradford District and Craven.

If you would like to attend a workshop, you **must** register onto one of the following that's appropriate to you:

1) **Service user workshop** (for the public and anyone accessing mental health services)

Date: 21 March 2023

Time: 10am to 12pm

Venue: Kala Sangam, meeting room five, St Peter's House, 1 Forster Ct, Bradford BD1 4TY

Please note: there are limited number of spaces for this workshop, if you would like to attend, please email hello@healthyminds.services to confirm your place

Out of pocket expenses: public and patients are encouraged to support the health and care partnership by volunteering to take part in events/workshops. All volunteers are eligible and entitled to claim out of pocket expenses. All claims made will need evidence of expenditure, these may be in the form of receipts and parking tickets etc. Volunteers are responsible for ensuring their reimbursements are disclosed as necessary in relation to taxation or benefits.

2) **Service provider workshop** (for voluntary and community sector organisations)

Date: 22 March 2023

Time: 10am to 12pm

Venue: Kala Sangam, meeting room five, St Peter's House, 1 Forster Ct, Bradford BD1 4TY

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WHAT WE CAN LEARN FROM THE NATIONAL APPROACH TO REDUCING HEALTHCARE INEQUALITIES

Public Health Consultant and Associate Director of the Reducing Inequalities Alliance (Bradford District and Craven) Duncan Cooper recently attended the national 'Tackling Inequalities' conference in London, hosted by the Royal Society of Medicine. Read his blog to hear about the important lessons we can take home from the conference when it comes to tackling inequalities.

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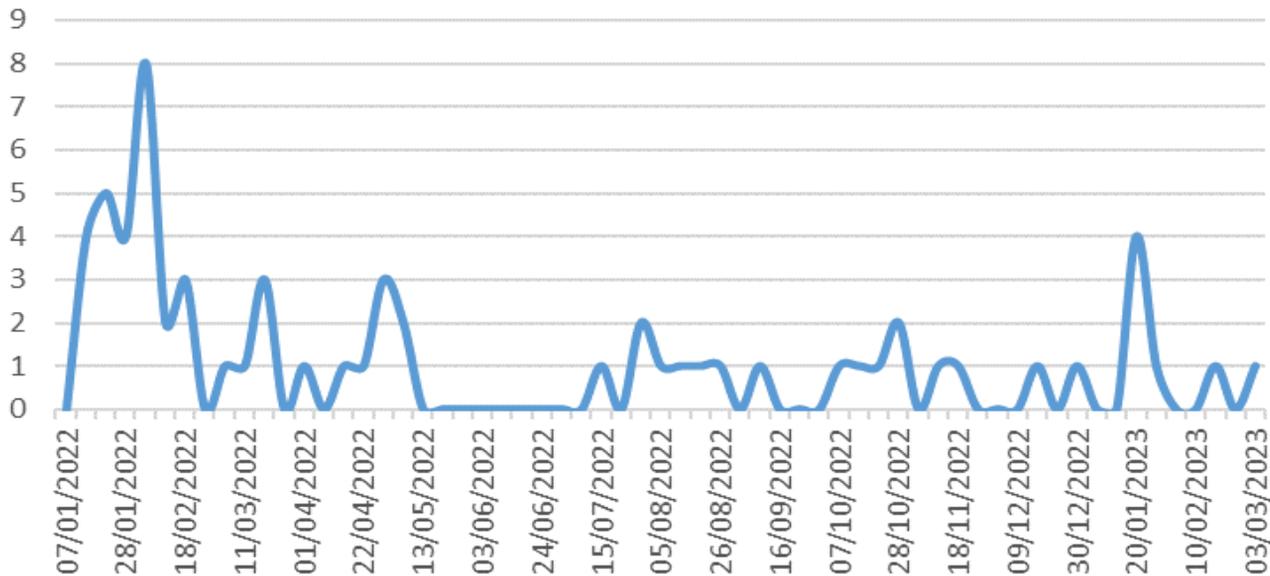
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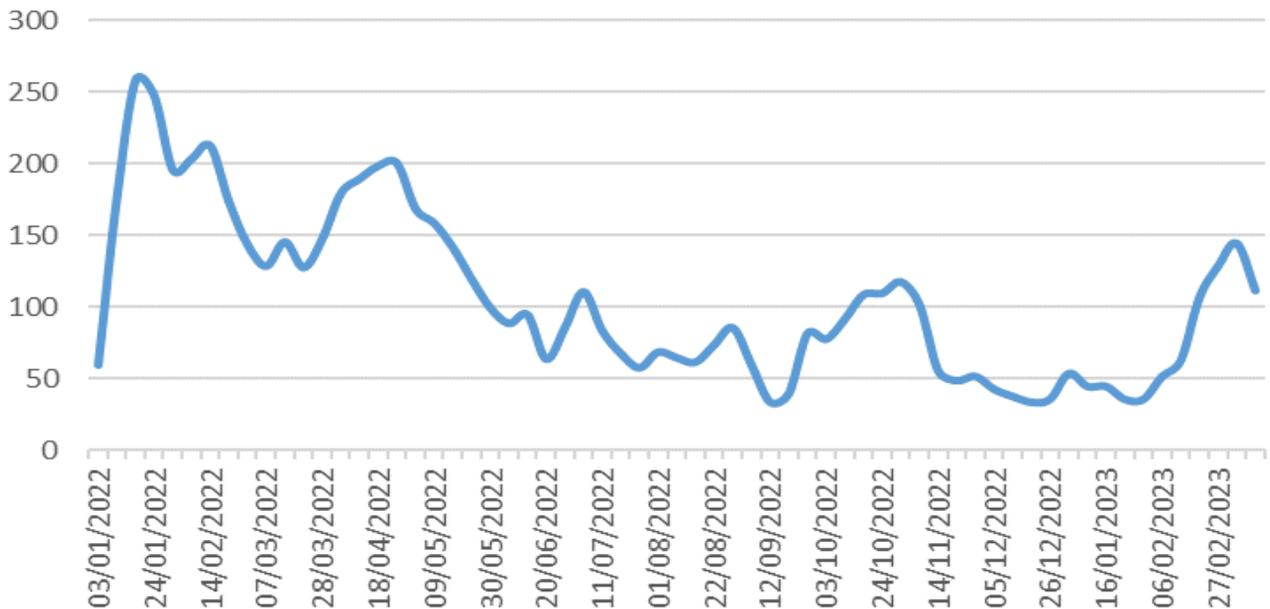
BRADFORD CARE HOMES WEEKLY COVID-19 TRACKER

Please find the data below on Care Homes in the Bradford District for your information. The following data has been provided by the Council's Senior Management Team in the Contract and Commissioning Team.

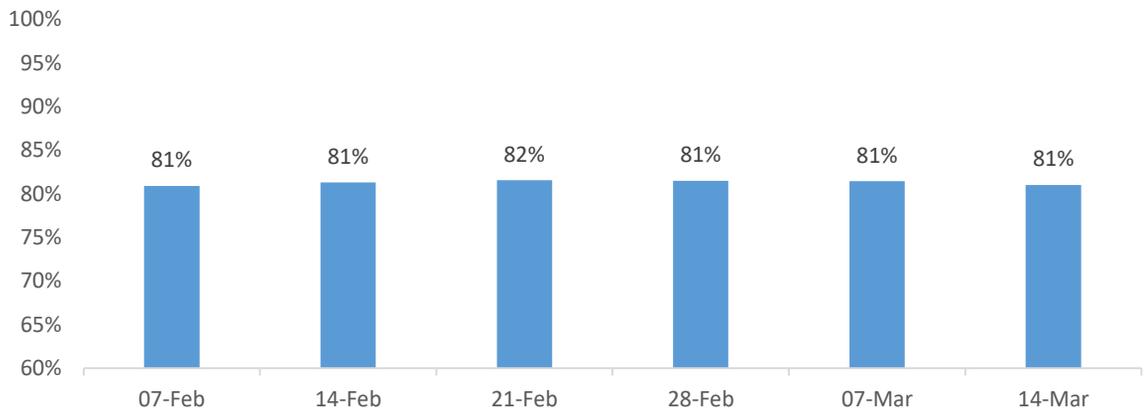
Registered Covid 19 Deaths in Care Homes by Week Ending Date



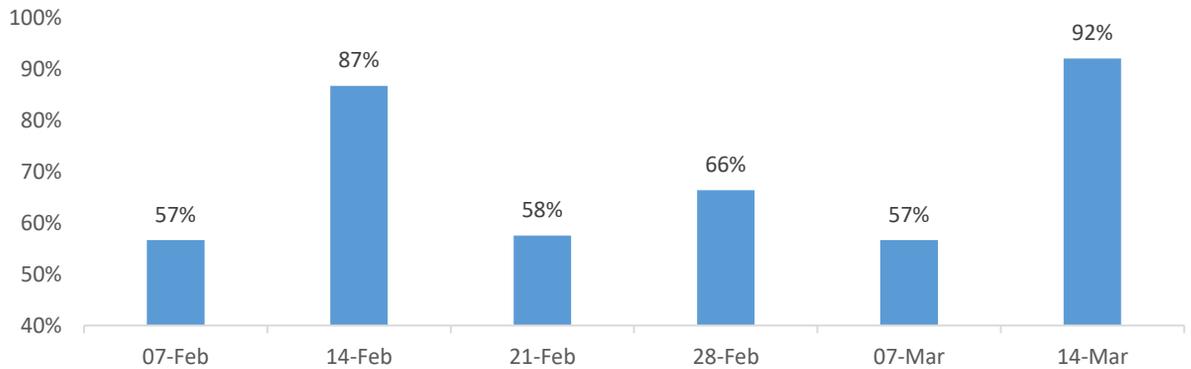
Number of Covid-19 Infections



Bradford Care Home Occupancy Rate



Bradford Care Home Completed Tracker in last 7 days



Data	Latest	Change
Deaths	1	1
Infections	112	-33
Outbreaks	No longer available	
Occupancy	81%	0%
Tracker completed	92%	35%

Data Sources:

Weekly Deaths, Office National Statistics.

Covid Infections, Occupancy and Tracker, NESC Capacity Tracker.

Outbreaks, HPT Bradford