

PROVIDER BULLETIN

Tuesday 09 February 2021

VITAMIN D SUPPLEMENTS

Following a recent government announcement, you may have received a supply of Vitamin D supplements to support the general health of your residents. We have contacted both the DHSC and CQC with a number of questions in relation to the supply, management and administration of these supplements. Today the BCA and members of the Covid-19 Support Team met with colleagues from the Medicines Optimisation Team to develop specific support for residential and nursing homes. Our advice at present is to await some further information and updates via the Provider Bulletin and Flash Emails before progressing the administration of the supplements.

- For more information on the government announcement please see the link below:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/vitamin-d-for-vulnerable-groups/vitamin-d-and-care-homes-guidance>
- For details released by CQC please see the link below:
<https://www.cqc.org.uk/guidance-providers/adult-social-care/vitamin-d-supplements-supporting-people-who-receive-adult>

This is a reminder for Care Homes that the deadline for Rapid Testing Fund declarations is **5pm on Wednesday 10 February 2021**. If you haven't already, please send your completed declaration to IPCGrant@bradford.gov.uk by this date.

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19): DISPOSING OF WASTE

Please click [HERE](#) for guidance on how to dispose of your personal or business waste, including face coverings and personal protective equipment (PPE), during the coronavirus pandemic.

MESSAGE TO ALL PROVIDERS

- **Care home, Home Support, Extra care:** Can you please update vaccination data for your organisation on the Capacity Tracker.
- **Supported Living, Housing Related Support, Voluntary & Community Sector organisation, Domestic Violence services and other services supporting vulnerable people:** Can you please update vaccination data for your organisation on the Service Update System (SUS).



PEOPLE WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES AND THE CORONAVIRUS VACCINE: INFORMATION FOR PAID SUPPORTERS

Learning Disability England has written this document for people and organisations that offer paid support to people with learning disabilities; provider organisations or personal assistants to help them prepare the people they support to make a decision about having the Coronavirus vaccine. We hope it will also be useful to people and families.

See attached in the [Provider Zone](#) more details.

IPC & VACCINE TRAINING UPDATES

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND?

- I HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THE VACCINE
- IM HESITANT TO TAKE THE VACCINE
- I DONT KNOW WHAT HAPPENS ONCE IVE TAKEN TO VACCINE
- HOW DO I WORK SAFELY IN CARE, USING IPC?

WHEN?

THURSDAY 11th FEB
13:30 - 14:30

ZOOM INFO:

MEETING ID -
933 772 1608
PASSWORD -
Bradford20

ALL YOUR
QUESTIONS ANSWERED!

ROYDS WITHY KING'S HEALTH + SOCIAL CARE TEAM AND COHESION RECRUITMENT WEBINAR

BCA are pleased to invite HR professionals and anyone with responsibility for HR in their organisation to the Royds Withy King's Health + Social Care team and Cohesion Recruitment webinar. It will take place on **Tuesday 23 February from 10:00 till 11:15**. The webinar will provide a practical update and guidance on how to tackle the current HR and employment law changes in the care sector and will cover:

- **Tackling Covid-19 employment law issues** (*James Sage, Royds Withy King*)
- **Recruitment during Covid-19** (*Amanda Marques, Cohesion Recruitment*)
- **Post-Brexit immigration: Challenges + opportunities** (*Mike Thomson, Royds Withy King*)
- **Case law Update** (*Matthew Hendra, Royds Withy King*)

To join and book your place, click [HERE](#)

REPORTING TO THE ENHANCED SURVEILLANCE OF COVID-19 CASES IN VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS

The Public Health England (PHE) Immunisation Department is conducting [enhanced surveillance](#) of cases of infection in vaccinated individuals in England, in order to confirm infection, identify risk factors and outcomes, and monitor phenotypic and genetic characteristics of SARS-CoV-2 isolates and to compare these cases to those in unvaccinated individuals. Individuals will mainly be identified by active follow up of a sample of cases identified by linkage between community testing and vaccination data.

Clinicians who are seeing patients face to face are also encouraged to report any confirmed cases in partially or fully vaccinated individuals if they tested positive within the preceding 7 days. This provides an opportunity to get early and complete samples from these cases. This surveillance applies to England only.

For more details, click [HERE](#)



THIS WEEK'S POSTER

This poster is available to download from the Provider Zone so you can print it off and display in staff rooms

#AfterYourVaccine
Please continue to
social distance



Thankyou
Grace
Age 4



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BRADFORD
METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COUNCIL