

PROVIDER BULLETIN

THE COVID-19 SUPPORT TEAM WILL END TOMORROW!!

Following the Government announcement that most Covid-19 restrictions and legislation will end shortly, the Covid-19 Support Team will cease operating tomorrow. The team has provided support and guidance in several key areas during the pandemic, including the supply of PPE, testing and vaccinations. Some areas of support to the social care sector will continue and will be undertaken by colleagues in the 'Contract and Quality' and 'Commissioning' teams. Can we take this opportunity to thank all our providers for their hard work and dedication to support and keep people safe during what has been the most difficult period for us all. The partnership working with Louise Bestwick and the Bradford Care Associated has been outstanding, the team could not have undertaken the tasks without this support and that of you, our local care sector. Whilst the Covid-19 Inbox and contact numbers will cease tomorrow any communication should be directed to the Commissioning Inbox after this date.

GUIDANCE UPDATES

IPC Supplement:

[Infection prevention and control in adult social care: COVID-19 supplement](#)

Overarching IPC guidance:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/infection-prevention-and-control-in-adult-social-care-settings>

Covid-19 Supplement:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/infection-prevention-and-control-in-adult-social-care-covid-19-supplement/covid-19-supplement-to-the-infection-prevention-and-control-resource-for-adult-social-care>

Testing Supplement

[:https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-for-adult-social-care-settings/covid-19-testing-in-adult-social-care](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-testing-for-adult-social-care-settings/covid-19-testing-in-adult-social-care)

DPST SURVEY

Please view the questionnaire DSPT are publishing on behalf of NENC Academic Health and Science Network and our region with this [LINK](#). By completing this short 3-4 minute questionnaire, you are helping to shape the future of your sector. Once your Integrated Care System area is selected, you will then be able to select your locality. If your care home prefers to remain anonymous just select 'other' and enter any text.

You can also see the latest DSPT workshop schedule [HERE](#).

GOVERNMENT SETS OUT NEXT STEPS FOR LIVING WITH COVID

- Free COVID-19 tests will continue to be available to help protect specific groups including eligible patients and NHS and care staff once the universal testing offer ends after 31 March and next steps for adult social care set out
- Plans in place to enable rapid testing response should a new health threat emerge, such as a new variant of concern emerge
 - Vaccines and treatments mean we can transition to managing COVID-19 like other respiratory illnesses, with updated guidance published on 1 April

For more information, including a statement from Sajid Javid, please read this [document](#). For a shorter summary of the guidance use this [LINK](#).

Please also read the DHSC's letter on updated IPC guidance [HERE](#)

CHANGES TO DEATH CERTIFICATION

Please read this document containing tips on how to deal with the changes with this [LINK](#).

You can also view the Royal College of Pathologists guide on completing a medical certificate [HERE](#).

COVID-19 SUPPORT TEAM FAREWELL VLOG

The final vlog from the Covid-19 Support Team will be released tomorrow so keep your eyes peeled!

OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE NAPCHD STRATEGIC DOCUMENT OF DIABETES CARE

The National Advisory Panel on Care Home Guidance (NAPCHD) is hosting the webinar, '[Launch of the official NAPCHD Strategic Document of Diabetes Care](#)', to share the comprehensive guidance aimed at enhancing diabetes care in care homes.

Taking place on Thursday, April 7, between 12pm and 1pm, the virtual meeting will be chaired by Professor Alan Sinclair, of King's College and fDROP, who will go through the key recommendations provided in the care home document, which aims to improve standards of diabetes care and enhance the well-being, quality of life, and clinical outcomes of all residents with diabetes.

Read more <https://diabetestimes.co.uk/new-care-home-guidelines-to-be-launched-in-upcoming-webinar/>

Or Register here <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/webinar-launch-of-the-official-napchd-strategic-document-of-diabetes-care-tickets-296686997797>

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO CAPACITY TRACKER

1) Removal of Capacity Tracker Questions

Daily: Current Status Rag Rating, Flu Vaccination

Weekly: Infection Prevention and Control Measures, Staff Testing, Visitor Testing, Resources and Training

Monthly: Support to Providers

2) Added Capacity Tracker Question

Daily: Number known to have had the second BOOSTER in the UK

3) Revised Frequency of Updating Capacity Tracker

Daily Updates: Vacancy information - Daily updates are still required to help discharge teams identify available vacancies.

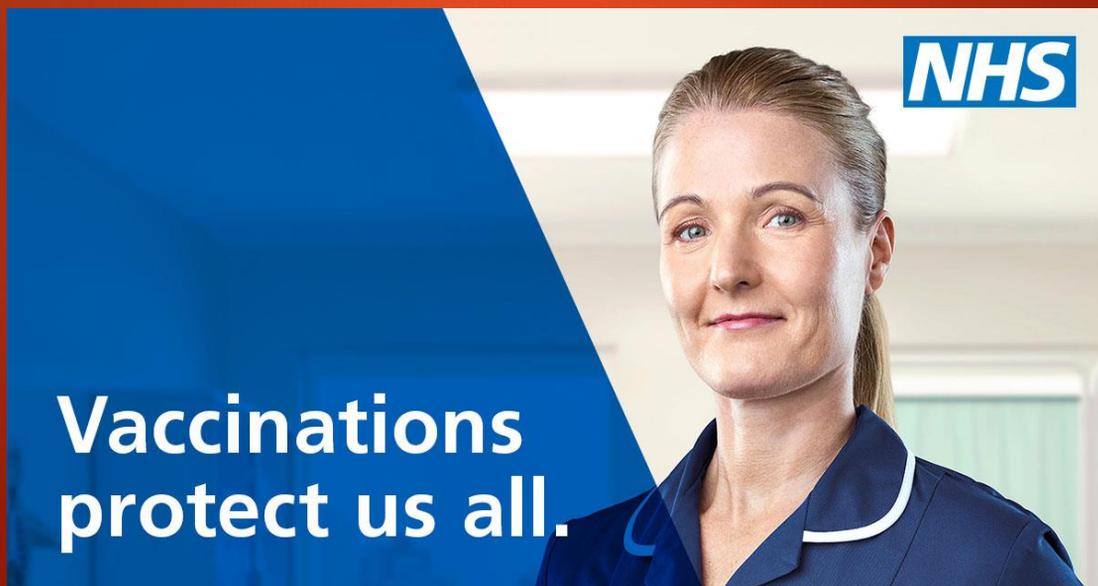
All other non-related Vacancy information contained within the Costs, Vacancies & Business Continuity (Daily) page can now be updated weekly.

Weekly and Monthly updates: Remain unchanged

Plans are currently being discussed to agree a timeline for moving questions to their appropriate location i.e., daily, weekly and monthly pages.

4) DHSC Care Home and Home Care Market Survey Bulk Upload Template

We are currently working on providing a bulk upload template that will help those Providers with large numbers of locations more easily complete these surveys. A further communication will be posted on the Capacity Tracker Message Board when this is available for use.



DATA FOR THE SOCIAL CARE SECTOR IN BRADFORD

DATA	LATEST	CHANGE
Deaths	1	0
Infections	148	-18
Occupancy	81%	0%
Tracker completed	56%	-41%

HOME SUPPORT PLACEMENTS (last 7 days)

Total Placements	Locality Providers	Other Providers
37	9	28

CARE HOME PLACEMENTS (last 7 days)

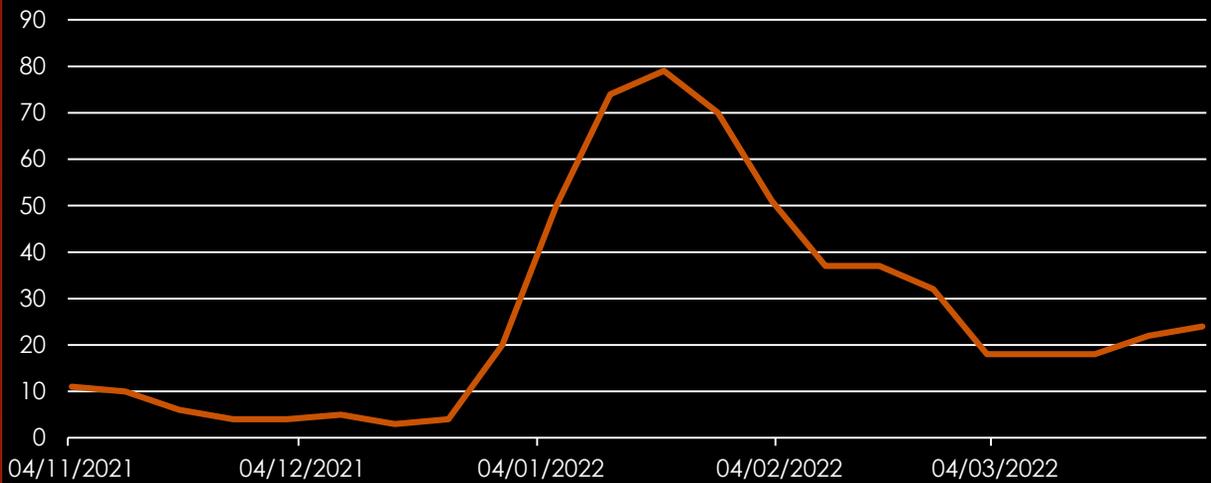
OPR2	OPN	Deferred
7	2	1

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

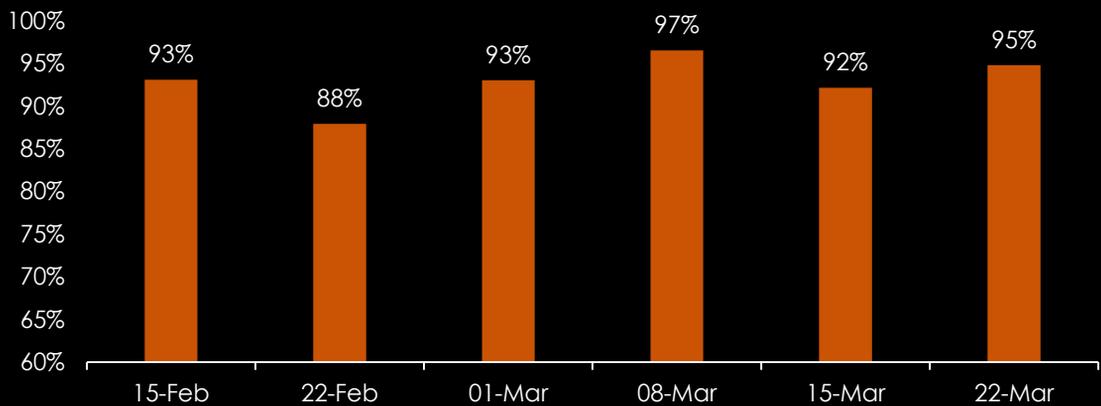
Care Home Occupancy Percentage	Number of Homes	Percentage of total homes
Under 25%	0	0%
26% to 40%	6	5%
41% to 60%	13	11%
61% to 80%	24	21%
81% to 90%	34	29%
Above 91%	38	33%
Total Homes & Mean %	115	81%

Vacancy Type	Declared Vacancies	Declared Total Beds	Declared Vacancies Closed	Occupied Beds	Occupied Beds Percent	Lost Capacity Percent
General Residential	187	1202	97	918	76.37%	8.07%
Dementia Residential	149	944	60	735	77.86%	6.36%
General Nursing	124	707	13	570	80.62%	1.84%
Dementia Nursing	51	376	21	304	80.85%	5.59%
Mental Health Residential	33	190	3	154	81.05%	1.58%
Mental Health Nursing	28	189	13	148	78.31%	6.88%
YPD - Young Physically Disabled	24	78	0	54	69.23%	0.00%
Learning Disability Residential	23	208	10	175	84.13%	4.81%
Learning Disability Nursing	5	24	0	19	79.17%	0.00%
TOTAL	624	3918	217	3077		

Bradford Care Homes with a Covid-19 Outbreak



Bradford Care Home Completed Tracker in last 7 days



Number of Covid-19 Infections

