

For more information on the Council's current position, in respect of Covid 19 please use this website: [CLICK HERE](#)  
Please ensure any information you consult is from a reliable source, including the NHS, or Public Health England.

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# PROVIDER BULLETIN

## COVID-19 SUPPORT TEAM SURVEY

With the Covid-19 Support Team ending on 1 April, we would like to hear your thoughts and feelings on how useful the team has been to you during its existence. We would also appreciate your feedback on which areas of work have been helpful to you and that we should consider continuing past the ending of the team.

Link: <https://newsurveys.bradford.gov.uk/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=164563427845>

## NEW REGULATORY MODEL WEBINAR | ADULT SOCIAL CARE SERVICES | CQC

Join CQC latest webinar where they'll update you on their current regulatory approach and share the latest on what their new regulatory model will look like. The webinar will take place on **Thursday 24 March, 10-11am** and will be led by Kate Terroni, Chief Inspector for Adult Social Care.

[New regulatory model webinar | Adult Social Care services  
Registration, Thu 24 Mar 2022 at 10:00 | Eventbrite](#)

## COVID-19 VACCINE EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Click [HERE](#) to access.

## PROVIDER FORUM MEETING RECORDING

Meeting Recording:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/qUOohQfDQu6OFeiv3ogWwa79dwMvE7roNxaWLCmcaym0GgBbkIZtE0-foxVY8PeM.pOAAIFKw4d58OxD>

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## **WORKFORCE QUALITY WORKSHOPS:**

- **Part 1 - Recruitment & Early Retention  
(Tickets + Date below)**
- **Part 2 - Retention, Training & Development  
(In May - Tickets and dates TBC)**

**PART 1:**

**WEDNESDAY 30TH MARCH  
13:30 - 16:00**

### **EVENT BOOKING**

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

If having any problems booking your place please  
email [admin@bradfordcareassociation.org](mailto:admin@bradfordcareassociation.org)



## UPDATE TO SEND AND SPECIALIST SETTINGS: ADDITIONAL COVID-19 OPERATIONAL GUIDANCE

We have updated the [SEND and specialist settings: additional COVID-19 operational guidance](#) to reflect new public health information and guidance issued yesterday. Updates have been made to the section on tracing close contacts and isolation. The section on when someone develops COVID-19 symptoms or has a positive test has also been revised.

On February 22 the Prime Minister set out the next phase of the government's COVID-19 response '[Living with COVID-19](#)'. COVID-19 continues to be a virus that we learn to live with and the imperative to reduce the disruption to children and young people's education remains.

This guidance does not change the testing approach for specialist settings. Settings should continue with the approaches they have been using over the past year. Some Lateral flow device (LFD) tests ask for a combined nose and throat swab. However, we know that some children and young people find throat swabs difficult, and we want to confirm that whichever LFD brand that you are using, if a combined nose and throat swab is not possible then a nose swab from both nostrils can be taken. Similarly, if for some reason a nasal swab is not feasible, a throat swab alone will suffice.

Many thanks,

**Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Division**

### GUIDANCE UPDATE

Please find below links to pieces of guidance that have been updated to reflect the changes to self-isolation:

- Supported living - [COVID-19: guidance for supported living - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- Provision of home care - [Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): providing home care - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- Admissions - [Admission and care of residents in a care home during COVID-19 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- Visiting - [Guidance on care home visiting - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

### [COVID-19 vaccination of people working or deployed in care homes: operational guidance](#)

#### **Page summary:**

Anyone working or volunteering in a care home needs to be fully vaccinated against coronavirus (COVID-19), unless they are exempt.

#### **Change made:**

Updated to reflect the announcement that government is proceeding with revoking vaccination as a condition of deployment in all health and social care settings.

#### **Time updated:**

11:16am, 1 March 2022

## ACTIONS TO TAKE WHEN THE CYBER THREAT IS HEIGHTENED - SOCIAL CARE EMPLOYERS

Digital Social Care has released a statement for social care employers about cyber awareness linked to the Russian cyber activity in and around Ukraine. The National Cyber Security Council has set up 12 actions which all business should undertake to improve security.

The below links provides what steps need to be taken around cyber security:

- Digital Social Care article - <https://www.digitalsocialcare.co.uk/cyber-aware-issue-russian-cyber-activity-in-and-around-ukraine/>
- National Cyber Security Council - <https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/actions-to-take-when-the-cyber-threat-is-heightened>



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