

Adults' Health and Care

Provider newsletter

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A thank you from Hampshire County Council and Hampshire Care Association

It has once again been another challenging year for the Care Sector and I and my colleagues would like to take this opportunity to thank you for everything you have done over the past 12 months. Your resilience and commitment to continue to deliver care and support to the most vulnerable people across Hampshire is humbling and hugely appreciated. As we all know, ours is a sector that doesn't stop for the festive period, and extra thanks is due to everyone working or on call during this time. I hope you all have a safe, healthy and Happy Christmas.

Graham

Graham Allen, Deputy Chief Executive and Director of Adults' Health and Care

Hampshire Care Association would also like to thank you all for your hard work and dedication. We will continue to support you in every way we can.

Have a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous new year.

From Everyone at HCA

Infection Prevention and Control information for care settings

[Read the information](#) from Hampshire and Isle of Wight NHS about how to maintain best practice in care settings including information about Christmas gatherings.

[Watch the video](#) about reducing the risk of infection in care settings

Adult Social Care Provisions Update on Enforcement

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has given an update on the Adult Social Care Provider Information Provisions that require you to submit data monthly through Capacity Tracker.

The [Adult Social Care Information \(enforcement\) regulations 2022](#) were made law on 10 November 2022 after being debated in both Houses of Parliament and commenced in December 2022.

The guidance on the enforcement process will be published on 19 December. The guidance will let you know how DHSC will enforce the information provisions, for example, what will happen if from December, you do not update your data monthly via Capacity Tracker, as outlined in the [guidance](#) first published in July.

As outlined in previous communications, financial penalties will normally be a last resort, and the majority of the enforcement process will focus on what support the DHSC can give to help you meet the requirements of the Information Provisions.

Free Webinar – Care Workforce Board

How can your organisation **stand out** and attract and retain staff with the current workforce demands?

Come and find out what opportunities are available to you and your organisation. Hampshire County Council's Impact team, in partnership with Hampshire Care Association are providing a free webinar highlighting the opportunities available to attract, retain and develop staff, at a reasonable cost.

The online webinar takes place on 25 Jan 13:00 – 15:00pm

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Who to contact in Hampshire County Council?

If you're not sure of who to contact in Hampshire County Council's Adults' Health and Care department, take a look at our [contact page](#) written for care providers.

Most general queries can be raised through our [professional referral form](#).



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