

# Adults' Health and Care

## Provider newsletter

24 January 2024

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### Measles vaccine

Measles is now circulating in England and infections across Europe are likely to rise. Measles is an extremely infectious and unpleasant illness and can be severe, leading to life threatening illness and long-term disability. It is preventable through vaccination.

More information about the vaccine is [available from the NHS](#).

### Hampshire County Council's Care Home Framework is now open

Hampshire County Council are pleased to open their Care Home Framework and invite residential and nursing providers to sign up.

The Care Home Framework allows for collaborative working between the County Council and the residential and nursing care market, looking to drive innovative ideas to help people to live long healthy and happy lives, whilst maintaining their own independence.

Once you have been accepted onto the Framework, you will be able to apply for our first call-off contract, to provide long-term residential and nursing care, predominantly for older adults.

The long-term residential and nursing care contract will provide the following benefits for providers:

- Access appropriate long-term residential and nursing referrals that are resourced by Hampshire County Council
- Contact with the Hampshire County Council commissioning team who will provide you with support for contractual monitoring arrangements

- A guaranteed uplift each year
- Access to discounted training rates and exclusive content through the Hampshire County Council IMPACT (Adult Care Training) service.

Sign up to the framework and long-term contract via [Intend reference AS15180](#)

We are aiming to begin placing individuals under the long-term contract call-off from the framework from April 2024.

If you have queries about the framework or long-term contract, contact [oascommissioning.team@hants.gov.uk](mailto:oascommissioning.team@hants.gov.uk)

### **Survey for those who sponsor overseas workers**

As part of measures to address the workforce challenges faced by the Health and Social Care sector in the UK, several care sector roles were added to the UK Shortage Occupation List (SOL) in February 2022. This allowed providers to expand their workforce by sponsoring overseas staff to work in the UK. Your business has been identified as one that contracts with Hampshire County Council (the County Council) and/or is on the register of licensed sponsors.

The County Council would like to support Hampshire providers that sponsor overseas workers to deliver their sponsorship responsibilities and maintain a sustainable long-term workforce. To enable the County Council to provide the most appropriate support we would like to better understand the challenges, benefits, and impacts overseas recruitment has for your business.

**Please ask the person who would be best placed to answer questions about the sponsorship licence status of your organisation to complete this short survey.**

**This survey closes on 11:59pm on Monday 12 February 2024 and should take no more than 10 minutes to complete.**

Your answers will give the County Council a better understanding of this area of the local workforce and enable us to better support the market as a whole. All individual responses provided will remain confidential and will not be shared.

At the end of the survey there will also be the option to provide your contact details to allow the County Council to contact you if we have any further questions about any of your answers given in this survey. This is optional and any contact details you provide here will be used for the purpose of recontacting you only.

If you have any queries about this survey, please contact the County Council by emailing [ahc.qualityteam@hants.gov.uk](mailto:ahc.qualityteam@hants.gov.uk)

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### **Serious Violence Toolkit is being launched**

Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Portsmouth and Southampton Violence Reduction Partnership will launch the new Serious Violence Toolkit on 19 March. The toolkit aims to support professionals working with individuals and their families impacted by serious violence in the Hampshire, Isle of Wight, Portsmouth and Southampton areas.

The toolkit has been produced to support a co-ordinated approach to tackling and preventing serious violence and understanding its root causes.

The launch will be held via three Teams Live webinars on Tuesday 19 March at 9:30-11am, 1:30 – 3pm and 7 – 8:30pm

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### **Free training opportunity for care sector – Skills Bootcamp**

Solent Partners has secured funding from the Department of Education to set up a suite of Skills Bootcamps. Each bootcamp has been designed with employers to meet current skills shortages in our region.

The Adult Social Care course is an ideal taster for learners who may be new to the sector or world of work. It's aimed at learners of all ages who want to understand more about working in health and social care, and for those working towards the Skills for Care certificate 15 care standards.

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# Future Services Consultation

**Tell us your views on ideas for changes to some local services**

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by 31 March 2024**

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