

COVID19 Care Home Support > Implementation Status

Local Authority:

Total number of CQC registered care homes in your area:

Contact name:

E-mail:

Please submit local plans (covering letter and this template) to CareandReform2@communities.gov.uk by **29 May**

Complete

**Please enter the number of registered Care Homes in your local area, where the corresponding action or support is in place*

Key COVID19 Support Actions for Care Homes		*Number of Care Homes (Please see note above)	Would additional support be helpful to progress implementation further? (Yes/No) <i>If Yes, please offer a brief description of the type of support that would be helpful</i>		Please indicate any issues that you would like to highlight (optional)
Focus 1: Infection prevention and control measures					
1.1)	Ability to isolate residents within their own care homes	15	Yes	partners are working towards a collective position for COVID-19 patients discharged from hospital with a positive diagnosis to protect transmission to care homes. Any agency and non-care staff e.g. chefs. We will work through this with care homes, however further guidance/best practice in this area would be appreciated.	Whilst the majority of our care settings are able to self-isolate patients within their setting, we have a 'hot-homes' pathway to support the homes where they
1.2)	Actions to restrict staff movement between care homes	17	Yes		
1.3)	Paying staff full wages while isolating following a positive test	7	Yes	Care homes have identified that they would require support in funding full wages for staff	
Section complete					
Focus 2: Testing					
2.1)	Registration on the government's testing portal	13	Yes	per the current testing regime. We are not aware of other CQC registered providers being eligible for this support at this time but will work with homes to register and receive	
2.2)	Access to COVID 19 test kits for all residents and asymptomatic staff	8	Yes	Our 10 homes for older adults or residents with dementia have access to the testing porta	
2.3)	Testing of all residents discharged from hospital to care homes	8	Yes	All residents should be tested prior to discharge, with homes receiving test result prior to	Our acute care partner (BHRUT) has supplied PPE to facilitate discharge of over 100 patients.
Section complete					
Focus 3: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Clinical Equipment					
3.1)	Access to sufficient PPE to meet needs	17	No	The increased cost of PPE was raised by some care homes.	We have a three pronged approach to this issue. 1) normal routes of procurement. 2) Escalate supply issues to the Council who have been able to
3.2)	Access to medical equipment needed for Covid19	10	Yes	There was a mixed response to this question from care homes, with care homes stipulatin	
Section complete					
Focus 4: Workforce support					
4.1)	Access to training in the use of PPE from clinical or Public Health teams	17	Yes	other government webinars etc. However, care homes have requested further, free training particularly for their clinical staff - this will be explored through the BHR Train	The IPC team set up by NELFT has been a good resource for care homes and other care and support providers. However, it is felt that the team should be
4.2)	Access to training on use of key medical equipment needed for COVID19	7	Yes	Care homes indicated that further training in this area would be useful.	
4.3)	Access to additional capacity including from locally coordinated returning healthcare professionals or volunteers	9	Yes	staff/volunteers for care homes and more publicity/guidance on how they can access it - this will be further explored with homes, particularly in the role that these staff could	No care homes have received returning staff/volunteers
Section complete					
Focus 5: Clinical support					
5.1)	Named Clinical Lead in place for support and guidance	13	Yes	may be subject to amendment as the mutual aid offer (Direct Enhanced Service) is completed. Clarity is also required for clinical staff on what the ask is of them when	
5.2)	Access to mutual aid offer (primary and community health support)	18	Yes	Care homes have requested more frequent visits from their GP as well as OT support.	
Section complete					