

Dear All,

Devon Cares newsletter will revert back to being produced and circulated monthly. Any urgent matters will be circulated and uploaded to [Devon Cares website](#).

For Government changes to legislation/policies/guidance please continue to look on the PEN website:

<https://www.devon.gov.uk/providerengagementnetwork/resources/coronavirus-advice>.



We would like to take this opportunity to wish Devon Cares finance officer **George King** a very happy 21st birthday for Monday 3rd August. We hope you manage to have an awesome day! 😊

Get a discount with the Eat Out to Help Out Scheme:

Source; Gov.uk

From 3rd to 31st August, get a 50% discount when you eat in at restaurants that are registered with the [Eat Out to Help Out Scheme](#).

Use the Eat Out to Help Out Scheme at a participating establishment:

- to get a 50% discount on food or non-alcoholic drinks to eat or drink in (up to a maximum of £10 discount per diner)
- every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday between 3 and 31 August
- as many times as you like

You do not need a voucher to use this scheme and you can use it at the same time as other offers and discounts. There is no minimum spend.

The discount will be automatically available to you at participating establishments. Establishments will then claim a reimbursement from the government for the discount they've given you.

Participating establishments may include:

- restaurants, cafés, bars or pubs
- work and school canteens
- food halls

All diners in a group of any size can use the discount.

[Find a restaurant](#)

Adult Social Care Infection Control Fund

Source; Gov.uk

This [document](#) has been prepared in response to questions received from local government and care providers about the infection control fund.

The fund is worth £600 million. The main purpose of this fund is to support adult social care providers to reduce the rate of COVID-19 transmission in and between care homes.

A smaller percentage of the fund can be used to support domiciliary care providers and wider workforce resilience to deal with COVID-19 infections.

Managing falls during the pandemic:

Source; PEN Posted 30th July

The National Falls Prevention Co-ordination Group has produced [guidance](#) in the form of a clear poster, which also contains links to moving and handling video resources.

Extension of invoicing deadline for April to June period:

Source; PEN

[The communication](#) to providers about financial support arrangements sent on 30 June asked for all outstanding invoices for the April to June period (i.e. costs incurred up to 30 June) to be submitted by 20 July.

In recognition of the challenges currently facing providers we have extended that deadline until 10 August 2020.

Please note that any deadlines submitted after that date will be rejected.

Providers that have already submitted late invoices and which apply to legitimate costs in the April-June period, will upon further submission of those invoices before 10 August receive payment accordingly upon further submission of those invoices. All other payments due under the new financial support package have now been made and the Council would expect those to meet providers' additional costs from 1 July onwards.

PPE guidance for community settings:

Source; PEN Posted 31st July

Public Health England have issued [illustrated guidance](#) on the use of PPE by health and social care workers working in community settings.

UK Government further boosts chances of UK receiving COVID-19 vaccine:

Source; Gov.uk Published 29 July 2020

Deal announced which will secure early access to a promising new coronavirus vaccine, enhancing the UK's growing portfolio of vaccine candidates.

- An additional 60 million doses of a potentially lifesaving Covid-19 vaccine have been secured by the UK Government
- The agreement with GSK and Sanofi Pasteur increases the UK's chances of getting access to a safe and effective vaccine by adding a new type of vaccine candidate to the UK's growing portfolio
- Almost 72,000 people have volunteered in the past week to receive information about joining vital clinical studies to speed up vaccine research - but many more still needed

A deal to secure early access to a promising new coronavirus vaccine has been announced by the UK Government today (29th July), enhancing the UK's growing portfolio of vaccine candidates to protect the public and to save lives.

Click [here](#) to read the full publication.

National quality assurance of PPE:

Source: [PEN](#)

This national guidance note provides information on the products below, which are safe for use, and clarifies the central assurance undertaken to approve release of these items into the supply chain:

- Type IIR masks and latex labelling
- Weian face masks
- Blue sail nitrile gloves
- INTCO nitrile gloves
- Cardinal FFP3 respirator masks
- 3M 9330+ FFP3 respirators
- Reminder about registering product or PPE safety queries

NHS Devon and DCC provider webinars:

Source; [PEN](#)

The weekly webinars hosted by Devon County Council and NHS Devon Clinical Commissioning Group are for provider staff and managers. Please note that although they are described as care home webinars, the content applies to many providers. Agendas will be confirmed just before each session. Click on the link to join the webinar on Thursday 13 August – 2pm – 3pm

Reporting concerns to DCC

Please email: adultsc.adultcarehealthcovid19-mailbox@devon.gov.uk and copy in ndht.devoncares@nhs.net

Devon Coronavirus Emergency Helpline:

Source; DCC

Keeping Devon's most vulnerable residents safe remains our top priority. Anyone who is isolated and urgently needs essential food, medicine, care or social support, and doesn't have any family, friends, neighbours or community to help them, can contact the Devon Coronavirus Emergency Helpline on [0345 155 1011](tel:03451551011)

If you have missed any of our Covid-19 updates you can find them on our [Devon Cares](#) website.

Keep Safe,

Kind regards
Devon Cares Team