

Care Provider Newsletter

July 2016 Edition

Welcome to Portsmouth City Council's Care Provider Newsletter. This newsletter will be sent quarterly to providers and other Stakeholders who have registered their interest in receiving these updates.

The Care Provider Newsletter will cascade best practice, alert you to changes to Social Care and the Portsmouth Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and highlight other market development initiatives.

We hope you find this edition useful.

Getting involved - FREE Healthwatch training opportunities in Portsmouth!



We are busy arranging a suite of free training opportunities for members of the Portsmouth public and staff from local organisations to increase patient/user involvement across the city and widen knowledge of the NHS/social care sector. More details can be found on our website at:

<http://www.healthwatchportsmouth.co.uk/story/free-training-workshops-portsmouth>

Can I ask that you share these opportunities with your networks please, including in any newsletters you circulate, to ensure as many people as possible get to hear about the workshops.

If you, members of public or colleagues have any questions about any of the sessions, please feel free to contact the team at info@healthwatchportsmouth.co.uk or on 02393 977079.

Safeguarding referral form

Please find attached, for info and for dissemination to your respective teams a copy of the revised form to be used for raising a safeguarding concern, The form has been amended to reflect the language used in the Care Act, and has been simplified to ensure that the data requested on the form is data that at the moment we are required to return to the HSCIC on an annual basis.

Please can you make your team aware of this revised form. The new form will be going on the PSAB website and will be stored in all the places that the current form can be found.



2016 Safeguarding
Concern Form FV.doc

Modern Slavery - Home Office Front Line Guidance



Please see attached the recently released modernised guidance for how UK Visas and Immigration identifies and helps potential victims of modern slavery.



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This contains vital information for how one might identify a victim of modern slavery, as well as information on the National Referral Mechanism, and the rights and entitlements of victims.

This guidance can also be downloaded from our website
<http://www.modernslaverypartnership.org.uk/training-and-resources/>

This guidance can also be downloaded from the Government Website at
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/victims-of-human-trafficking>

New advocacy service for Portsmouth

Solent Mind and Choices Advocacy are excited to announce that they will be providing advocacy support for people in Portsmouth from 1st July 2016.

Our experienced team of qualified advocates will be providing Independent Mental Health Advocacy, Independent Mental Capacity Advocacy, Care Act Advocacy and some community advocacy across Portsmouth.

For more information about the service or to make a referral, you can find out about us and download

referral forms on our website

www.solentmind.org.uk/content/advocacy

You can also email the service at Portsmouthadvocacy@solentmind.org.uk

or call the office on 023 9283 7777



Portsmouth service
announcement poster

Changes to invoice process

We are starting to roll out a new payment process for some Nursing and Residential homes within Portsmouth. A monthly schedule will replace the need for invoices, which is the same process for Funded nursing care payments.

These changes are in an effort to reduce the level of individual invoices PCC process each month.

Some homes have already moved across to this new process, and we shall be planning Phase 2 very shortly. We shall contact you individually should we propose these changes for your home(s).

If you have any questions with regard to the contents of this Newsletter please email ICUcontracts@portsmouthcc.gov.uk