

# Adult Social Care



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Provider bulletin

**June 2023**

Welcome to our June newsletter from the Market management team. Carers week is this week until Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June. We have included a timetable of events taking place in the area over the week – you are welcome to attend any events! Please share this newsletter with all staff.

## Training

### Home Office Engagement Team webinar

The Home Office are running a free webinar on the points-based system on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 14.00. [Book your place on the webinar on Eventbrite](#). The session will cover:

- An introduction to the points-based system
- Skilled Worker visa
- The Health & Care Worker visa
- Other immigration routes- Student/Graduate route, Hong Kong BNO
- Sponsorship- *The process, how to become a sponsor*
- Right to Work checks- *what information needs to be checked?*
- Support Available/Materials

### Skills for Care newsletter

Don't forget you can sign up to the Skills for Care fortnightly newsletter [here](#). It will provide updates on developing your workforce, training offers, guidance with regards to the sponsorship scheme.

### A virtual tour of Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set ASC-WDS

Join this [online event](#) on Wednesday 7 June 10.00-10.45 for a demonstration of how the Adult Social Care Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS) service works. Designed for those who don't already have an account, this practical demonstration will show you the key features which are already being used by over 20,000 care providers.

## **Berkshire Registered Managers Network – next meeting**

Registered Managers from all service types across the whole of Berkshire are welcome to attend this peer network. The next meeting is Wednesday 28th June 11:30-1pm on Teams – please email [rachel.reid@skillsforcare.org.uk](mailto:rachel.reid@skillsforcare.org.uk) to join. The agenda will cover hospital discharge, trusted assessors, local updates and an opportunity to ask your peer network any questions or share challenges and successes.

## **ASC-WDS - New offers in the Benefits Bundle**

As a thank you for sharing valuable data and holding an ASC-WDS account, you can access a range of exclusive offers through the [ASC-WDS Benefits Bundle](#).

Skills for Care have added some exciting new offers including five free social media masterclasses sharing top tips on using social media to recruit into social care. Other free resources include a new '(LGBTQ+) Care in Later Life' learning framework and a guide that outlines Skills for Care's leadership offerings. The Benefits Bundle also includes discounts on Skills for Care's eLearning modules, bespoke seminars and from endorsed learning providers.

## **Skills for Care: ASC Workforce Data Set (ASC-WDS) account demo**

Come along to this Teams session on Weds 12th July 10.00-10:45am to have a live guided tour of the ASC-WDS, find out about the benefits and ask any questions. The session will be hosted by Rachel Reid, Skills for Care locality Manager in Berkshire, Oxfordshire, and Buckinghamshire. For the Teams invite contact [Rachel.reid@skillsforcare.org.uk](mailto:Rachel.reid@skillsforcare.org.uk).

## **RESTORE2 Train the Trainer**

This training is available for staff with a responsibility for cascading training within care settings and or/ those with an interest in acquiring facilitation skills to enable them to train others in RESTORE2. The session is a 2hr online video call and places can be booked via [Eventbrite](#).

## Free Adults at Risk Programme training with the Fire Service

The [ARP training session](#) is designed to enable individuals to work with the Royal Berkshire Fire & Rescue Service (RBFRS) to protect vulnerable adults living in the community from the risks of fire. To book this training please follow [this link](#) or for more information/group booking enquiries email [prevention@rbfrs.co.uk](mailto:prevention@rbfrs.co.uk).

**Please note the booking capacity has recently increased so if you previously had issues booking on the course you should be able to access it now.**

The next training dates are on:

- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June 13.00
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 10.00

## Syringe pump training

Syringe pump training including an overview of end-of-life care drugs is available on multiple dates over the course of this year. For further information or to book please go to the [Thames Hospice website](#).

Current dates available:

- Monday 11th September 2023
- Wednesday 6th December 2023

The sessions are 1.30pm – 4.30pm at Thames Hospice, Windsor Road, Maidenhead, SL6 2DN.

## Staff wellbeing

### World Wellbeing week

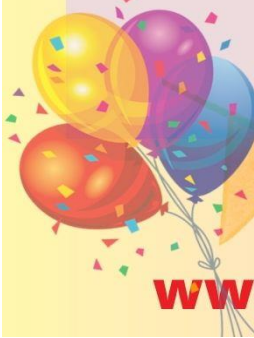
World Wellbeing Week takes place from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June with the aim to celebrate the many aspects of wellbeing. From meaningful, purposeful work to financial security, physical, mental and emotional health, social resilience and empathic corporate and civic leadership, community relations and care for the environment. Wellbeing has never been so important to our lives and livelihoods. You can follow World Wellbeing Week on [Facebook](#) [Twitter](#), and Instagram.

## Local resources

### Carers week timetable

**Carers Week** 5-11 June 2023 **Recognising and supporting carers in the community**

Monday 5 June	Wednesday 7 June	Friday 9 June	Saturday 10 June	Monday 12 June
<p><b>Carers Week Launch</b></p> <p><b>Special Voices</b> 9:30am-11:30am Coffee &amp; Danish pastries, free gift bag, paint your nails &amp; take varnishes home</p> <p>Cippenham Baptist Church, SL1 5QS</p> <p>To book, contact Special Voices on 07990693439</p> <p><b>Special Voices</b> 12:30pm-2:30pm Virtual Quiz with Prizes!</p> <p>On Zoom</p> <p>To book, contact Special Voices on 07990693439</p>	<p><b>Visible, Valued &amp; Supported</b></p> <p><b>Special Voices</b> 10am-11am &amp; 11:30am-12:30pm Draw with Prizes</p> <p>On Zoom</p> <p>To book, contact Special Voices on 07990693439</p> <p><b>Cippenham Carers &amp; Asian Carers Joint Celebration Meal</b> 1-3pm</p> <p>Learn how to use your tech devices with 1:1 peer support</p> <p>Cippenham Baptist Church, SL1 5QS</p> <p>Contact Zhora Jefferies on 07795 530 712 for booking &amp; further info!</p> <p><b>Alzheimer's and Dementia Services</b> 1-2:30pm Wellbeing Through Music</p> <p>St Francis Church, London Road, Langley SL3 7LN</p> <p>To book, contact Santok on 07543243613</p>	<p><b>All Carers</b></p> <p><b>Special Voices</b> 9:30am-12:30pm Celebration Lunch, FREE ENTRY RAFFLE &amp; Gift Bag!</p> <p>Cippenham Baptist Church, SL1 5QS</p> <p>To book, contact Special Voices on 07990693439</p> <p><b>Slough Library 'Reading Friends'</b> 11am-12noon</p> <p>Explore the lives of famous figures as we read extracts from biographies, diaries and articles and chat together about what we have read. A friendly, informal session - read or discuss if you wish, or just sit back and listen. Everyone attending gets a free copy of Jay Blades' inspirational life story Making It (donated by The Reading Agency)</p> <p>The Curve</p> <p>No booking required</p>	<p><b>Mental Health &amp; Wellbeing</b></p> <p><b>Slough Carers Support</b> 11pm-2pm</p> <p><b>#OneSlough Fun Day</b> For Carers and their Cared For</p> <p>Bring a Picnic Bollywood Dancing Sing-a-long session Live Music Face Painting Henna Tattoos Art Activities</p> <p>Upton Court Park <i>Subject to change in the event of extreme weather</i></p> <p>Book here: <a href="http://bit.ly/41Mmcl0">bit.ly/41Mmcl0</a></p>	<p><b>Carers Week Reflection</b></p> <p>Courtesy of Royal Collection Trust! <b>WINDSOR CASTLE TRIP FOR ALL CARERS/CARED FOR</b> x20 FREE tickets available</p> <p>Contact Shahid for further info and to book on 07572118599</p> <p><b>Special thanks to the participating groups &amp; sponsors</b></p> <p>Alzheimer's and Dementia Services Arts Classes Group Asian Carers Cippenham Carers Reading Friends - Slough Curve Library Robert Stedmond SBCEP Slough Borough Council Slough Mencap Slough Memory Clinic Slough Outreach Slough Sangeet Group Slough Young Carers Special Voices Together As One Tom Kling</p> <p>Supported by</p> <p> <b>SLOUGH</b> Carers Support</p>
<p><b>Tuesday</b> 6 June</p> <p><b>Fun &amp; Prizes</b></p> <p><b>Alzheimer's and Dementia Services</b> 10:30am-11:45am Seated Exercise</p> <p>St Francis Church, London Road, Langley SL3 7LN</p> <p>To book, contact Santok on 07543243613</p> <p><b>Special Voices</b> 11am-1pm Coffee &amp; Biscuits, free gift bag &amp; Bingo with Prizes!</p> <p>Cippenham Baptist Church, SL1 5QS</p> <p>To book, contact Special Voices on 07990693439</p>	<p><b>Thursday</b> 8 June</p> <p><b>Recognising Carers</b></p> <p><b>Special Voices</b> 12pm-2pm Coffee, cake, cake &amp; more cake with a free gift bag!</p> <p>Cippenham Baptist Church, SL1 5QS</p> <p>To book, contact Special Voices on 07990693439</p>	<p><b>Slough Young Carers</b> Tuesday 6 June Visit to Hounslow Young Carers for a joint Young Carers session - TBC</p> <p><b>Wednesday 7 June</b> Young Carer's Parent Meet up at YES Shop Mindfulness Art</p> <p><b>Young Carers Session at YES shop</b> 11+ Mosaic Mirror Art</p> <p><b>Thursday 8 June</b> 5-10 Young Carers Session Online Name in a Frame</p> <p>To book, contact Aliya Chaudhri at <a href="mailto:aliya@sloughyoungcarers.org">aliya@sloughyoungcarers.org</a> or 07547559050</p>	<p><b>Sunday</b> 11 June</p> <p><b>A Day of Reflection</b></p>	



Full event details and booking links at:

[www.sloughcarerssupport.co.uk](http://www.sloughcarerssupport.co.uk)



## Slough Community Forum celebrates Volunteers week

Slough Community forum is celebrating Volunteers Week on Tuesday 6th June 10.00-13.30 at Jamia Masji and Islamic Centre (JMIC). [Book your free place on Eventbrite](#). Please share with staff.



# Join us for Slough Community Forum

## #VolunteersWeek

Tuesday 6 June  
10:00am-1.30pm  
(with lunch, followed by a Volunteer Fair)  
Jamia Masjid & Islamic Centre (JMIC)  
83 Stoke Poges Lane,  
Slough SL1 3NY

Book a place!

[bit.ly/41CXFyc](https://bit.ly/41CXFyc)



- Network with other voluntary groups
- Hear about managing & retaining volunteers & share volunteering opportunities
- Tour JMIC Mosque
- Find out about a new fuel and food support project

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## Capacity tracker

Providers are reminded to submit their monthly capacity tracker data. If you need any help, get in touch with the Contact Centre on 0191 6913729 or drop them an email via [nescu.capacitytracker@nhs.net](mailto:nescu.capacitytracker@nhs.net).

## Other updates

### ASC Provider webpage

The Quality Assurance team have developed a [new webpage dedicated to our ASC providers](#) to amalgamate all the useful resources available for providers in one place.

The items we have so far on our website include:

- Access to the quarterly Provider forum minutes
- Monthly newsletters
- Frimley Care Home Quality team contact details (Including MOCH team and IPC)
- Cost of Care exercise

We are in the process of adding some additional pages but if there are any items you think would be useful on our website please drop us an email via [ASC.Commissioning@slough.gov.uk](mailto:ASC.Commissioning@slough.gov.uk) – we'd appreciate your feedback.

### Provider forum

Thank you to those who attended our most recent provider forum on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May – it was an insightful meeting with attendees from Thames Valley Police, the Fire and Rescue Service as well as Slough Community Voluntary Service. If you were unable to attend, the minutes from the meeting will soon be uploaded onto our [ASC provider webpage](#). The minutes from each Provider Forum meeting will be uploaded onto the new ASC provider webpage for you to access. The next Provider forum is in September and the invite will be sent out soon.

## Contact us

We welcome your feedback and suggestions for future items to this newsletter – please get in touch via [ASC.Commissioning@slough.gov.uk](mailto:ASC.Commissioning@slough.gov.uk)

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