

COVID19 Care Home Support > Implementation Status

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Total number of CQC registered care homes in your area: 93

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

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**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	56	No	Information taken from Capacity Tracker, but not all Care Homes have completed this field.
1.2) Actions to restrict staff movement between care homes	54	No	Local best practice LA guidance has been developed with the unions and will be rolled out across all residential care homes. The figure has been taken from Capacity Tracker, but not all the Care Homes have completed this field.
1.3) Paying staff full wages while isolating following a positive test	29	No	Information taken from Capacity Tracker, but not all Care Home's have completed this field. In-house staff are being paid their contracted hours if they have to self isolate or cannot work from home. But this only makes up a very small proportion of care home (three in total). The vast majority of homes are privately owned or run by charities. The Registered Care Association Chair has stated that care homes are very unlikely to be paying staff who are self isolating their full wage. Staff who are self isolating are regarded as off sick and therefore receive SSP. People who are 'shielding' for 12 weeks are treated differently; they are unlikely to be paid but will be furloughed by the government (as they have instructed them to stay at home), so will receive 80% of their pay.
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Focus 2: Testing			
2.1) Registration on the government's testing portal	48	No	Not all Care Homes on the Capacity Tracker have answered this question. 3 homes have tried to register, but have been unsuccessful. 3 homes have not registered as they have been using other testing routes. Only 3 homes have received tests through this route and one home has been unable to register the tests due to incorrect barcodes.
2.2) Access to COVID 19 test kits for all residents and asymptomatic staff	25	No	Information taken from the Capacity Tracker, but not all Care Homes have completed this field.
2.3) Testing of all residents discharged from hospital to care homes	46	No	Only 46 Care Homes who have completed the Capacity Tracker have stated that their residents have been tested on discharge from hospital. However, according to the admissions team, all 93 Care Homes have access to this.
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Focus 3: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Clinical Equipment			
3.1) Access to sufficient PPE to meet needs	54	Yes	Advice and guidance on procuring correct certificated stock. A more sustainable availability of stock. Only 54 Care Homes on the Capacity Tracker state that they have access to the relevant PPE. Again, not all Care Homes have completed this field. However, all 93 Care Homes have access to additional PPE supplies being provided by BHCC. Providers placing limits on the number of PPE that can be ordered. Difficulties in ensuring that stock meets the required standards. Specific items that are difficult to procure include long sleeve gowns and respirator masks.
3.2) Access to medical equipment needed for Covid19	44	No	Taken from Capacity Tracker, but not all Care Homes have completed this field.
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Focus 4: Workforce support			
4.1) Access to training in the use of PPE from clinical or Public Health teams	51	No	Information taken from the Capacity Tracker, but not all Care Homes have completed this field.
4.2) Access to training on use of key medical equipment needed for COVID19	44	No	Information taken from the Capacity Tracker, but not all Care Homes have completed this field.
4.3) Access to additional capacity including from locally coordinated returning healthcare professionals or volunteers	26	No	Information taken from the Capacity Tracker, but not all Care Homes have completed this field.
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Focus 5: Clinical support			
5.1) Named Clinical Lead in place for support and guidance	35	No	Only 35 Care Homes answered yes to this question on the Capacity Tracker. However, other information suggests that all 93 Care Home's have access to a Clinical Lead. The clinical lead is likely to be the PCN clinical director and their responsibility is to lead the Care Home response and communicate between Primary Care and other provider settings.
5.2) Access to mutual aid offer (primary and community health support)	53	No	Information taken from the Capacity Tracker, but not all Care Homes have completed this field.
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