

Brent Outbreak Plan for Care Homes 05/03/2021

	Summary actions
<p style="text-align: center;">The Local Authority model: core requirements and structures</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Core requirements for engaging/co-ordinating with Care Homes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A complete list of Care Homes with contact details to be available. • ASC to develop a Single Point of Contact (SPoC) for each care homes – this should be through the Provider Relationship Officer (PRO) who is attached to each home • Capacity tracker developed and completed daily by providers • Daily recording of the situation in each home, with escalation via the PRO if outbreak is reported.
<p style="text-align: center;">Symptoms of Covid-19 in a staff member</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manager on a daily basis to inform the PRO of any changes that are occurring in the home • Notify LCRC if two or more cases • Weekly testing of staff and monthly testing of residents using PCR tests; LFT testing carried out twice a week. • If a staff member is showing symptoms of Covid 19 they must be sent home immediately to self-isolate for 14 days. • If test is negative staff member to return to work when feeling better • If test is positive, staff colleagues should not need to self-isolate as social distancing should have been adhered to and PPE worn by the staff members if 2 metres cannot be followed. • If social distancing hasn't been observed, or PPE not worn appropriately, all members of staff that have come into contact with positive staff member need to self-isolate for 14 days and not come into work.
<p style="text-align: center;">Symptoms of Covid-19 in a resident</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manager of the home to email LCRC if two or more residents are positive. • Resident to be isolated for 14 days
<p style="text-align: center;">Households of symptomatic staff</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Household of staff with symptoms should stay at home and self-isolate for 10 days • If the staff member test is negative, the household members can end their self-isolation • If household members develop symptoms they must arrange a test for themselves

Supporting and protecting Vulnerable groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider specific residents who may need additional support as a result of being asked to self-isolate. • Ensure staff are wearing the appropriate PPE equipment
Prevention work and respond to enquiries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public health team to support care homes with preventive work – infection control training and advice as required • SPoC to respond to any queries from Care Homes • Ensure risk assessments are reviewed where relevant
Access to PPE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Care homes to continue to order their open supply of PPE. Brent Council is also providing additional PPE to care providers. • If Care home has a shortage of PPE contact the National supply line or the council (if PPE is required urgently) • If Care home is unable to obtain PPE – contact the LA who will speak with the NWL Alliance group
Leading the local partnership response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCRC/PH LA team will convene Local IMT if required • Public Health to liaise with the local CCG/ GP and other health providers
Infection control follow up together with CCG named person	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Health to provide further infection control training if required • Public health to liaise with LCRC if the outbreak becomes complex. • Consider mitigating the risk of individuals refusing to be tested
Local communications e.g. briefings for Cllrs, local press	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement for press release and briefings to be decided at IMT meeting