

E-Mail Newsletter

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16th Edition

Welcome to the 16th edition of our newsletter. Here you will find updates from the team and any up to date Covid related information we have. We hope this will be helpful for you and we welcome your thoughts and feedback. You can continue to contact us on our details listed below.

We would like to thank you for working with us during these difficult times to keep you safe and well.

Updates for this month:

December 2020 payroll – The team would like to remind everyone that timesheets for December are due in on **10th December**, for a pay date of 21st December. Please note late timesheets could result in a delay in you receiving your pay. Please note that there are still delays in the postal system so we ask where possible please send timesheets to our shared email, details listed below.

Email: sirona.partner2care@nhs.net

Telephone: 0800 111 4167

Post: Partner2Care, Marina Healthcare Centre, 2 Haven View, Portishead, BS20 7QA

PPE – The team would like to remind all teams that correct use of PPE is essential, especially during these worrying times of Covid-19 and increasing numbers of Covid-19 cases in the region.

If your team complete any aerosol generated procedures they must wear specially fitted masks, if you haven't been tested for these please contact Partner2Care on the details above so we can arrange for this to be completed.

If you require PPE stock please contact us on Monday's before 12noon for same week collection of PPE. Delivery of PPE is in exceptional circumstances only as we no longer have a volunteer delivering PPE and team capacity is very limited. We would like to thank you for your time and understanding in this matter.

Updates continued:

Free flu vaccine – for personal assistants, all frontline health and social care workers should get the winter flu vaccination – including all Personal Assistants (PAs). For the first time, this year, PAs will be able to access the vaccine free of charge from GPs and community pharmacies, via the NHS Complementary Scheme. This vaccination is available now. (Local availability may vary).

To access the scheme, PAs will simply need to print this [letter](#) and then attend a GP surgery or community pharmacy and identify themselves as a PA.

Helpful links

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/what-your-test-result-means/>

Mental health and Wellbeing support

The AWP Mental health 24/7 telephone response line is 0300 3031320.

The following links provide additional information on how to look after your mental health:

<https://www.samaritans.org/how-we-can-help/support-and-information/if-youre-having-difficult-time/if-youre-worried-about-your-mental-health-during-coronavirus-outbreak/>