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Guidance and good practice

Infection, Prevention and Control Webinars

The Community IPC Team has recorded short webinars covering all standard IPC precautions in addition to organism specific webinars e.g. Clostridioides difficile, CRO/CPE, MRSA, Scabies in addition to ad hoc topics such as Oral Hygiene, Sepsis and Catheter Care.

The latest webinar to raise awareness about [Tuberculosis \(TB\)](#) is now available.

All the webinars can be accessed via our [YouTube Playlist](#)

Further information can also be found on our [CIPCS web page](#)

National Patient Safety Alert

Further to the discussion at CHSG regarding two recent incidents that have been raised in connection with bed loops/levers within care homes, please take some time to look at [National Patient Safety Alert](#) that was issued by MHRA 30th August 2023: Medical beds, trolleys, bed rails, bed grab handles and lateral turning devices: risk of death from entrapment or falls.

Leicestershire County Council updates

Provider Portal Maintenance

Due to essential maintenance the Provider portal will not be available from 5:30pm on Friday 19 September 2025 to 9am Monday 22 September 2025. During this time, you will not be able to submit information, incidents or safeguarding referrals. If the referral involves a significant risk to the individual which needs to be picked up before this time, please contact the out of hours Emergency Duty Team on 0116 305 0888. Otherwise please use the portal once it is available on Monday 22 September.

Publications

Trading Standards News – Autumn 2025

The Autumn edition of [Trading Standards News](#) is now available.

Health and wellbeing

Oral Nutritional Supplements

From 1st September 2025 a new prescribing approach promoting food-based alternatives to Oral Nutritional Supplements (ONS) has been introduced in care homes across Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland (LLR).

Please see the [LSCDG website](#) for information about ICB changes to Oral Nutritional Supplements and the actions that they ask care homes to take.

Events

Navigating The World of Care Together – webinar 26th September

East Midlands International Recruitment Team will be hosting “From Displacement to Deployment: Building a Compliant Workforce” webinar on **Friday 26th September 2.00 pm – 3.30 pm.**

The webinar will be used to share key updates and opportunities relating to the project and their aim to continue support for displaced health and care visa holders.

What to Expect:

- **Funding Updates:** Learn about new and existing financial support available to sponsors.
- **Why Hire Displaced Talent?** Understand the value and impact of recruiting from the skilled and motivated pool.
- **Offer to Employers:** Discover how they support sponsors throughout the recruitment and onboard process.
- **Immigration Compliance:** A vital discussion on ensuring adherence to current immigration rules and best practice.

To book a place - [buy tickets at east midlands and international recruitment](#)

World Sepsis Day – 13th September

World Sepsis Day 2025 took place on 13th September to raise awareness for sepsis worldwide. The theme for 2025 is: **‘5 FACTS X 5 Actions’** – to highlight five essential truths about sepsis and five urgent actions that can save millions of lives.

Sepsis is a life-threatening condition that occurs when the body's response to an infection damages its own tissues and organs. Instead of local inflammation resulting from a local infection, which would be the appropriate response, the body's entire system goes into inflammation.

Sepsis is a global health crisis. It affects between 47 and 50 million people every year, at least 11 million die – one death every 2.8 seconds. Many surviving patients suffer from the consequences of sepsis for the rest of their lives.

Further information and resources can be found using the following links:

[World Sepsis Day 2025](#)

[What is sepsis?](#)

[UK Sepsis Trust](#)

[World Sepsis Day Event 2025](#)

[World Sepsis Day - Toolkits](#)

Reminders

Next edition

The next edition of Provider News will be published during week commencing 13 October 2025. If you are interested in contributing by writing about a topic of your choice, perhaps something that is particularly important to you, please contact us at enquirylinequality&contracts@leics.gov.uk.

Useful links

- [Current and past editions of Leicestershire County Council Provider News](#)
- [Leicestershire County Council adult social care provider conference calls](#)
- [LLR Providing Care – resources, advice, signposting](#)
- [Leicestershire and Leicester Inspired to Care – recruitment and retention support](#)
- [Leicestershire Social Care Development Group \(LSCDG\)](#)
- [Adults & Communities Engagement Panel - Newsletters](#)