

# THE WEEKLY ROUNDUP



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Leicestershire care forums

Information available at link below:

<https://resources.leicestershire.gov.uk/adult-social-care-and-health/communication-and-engagement/provider-teleconferences>

## **HOSPITAL DISCHARGE GRANTS FOR CARERS**

The Hospital Discharge Grant for Carers scheme can help carers support the person who has been discharged from hospital.

### **Are you a carer?**

If you are aged 18+ and look after, help or support an adult who wouldn't be able to manage everyday life without your help, and you're not employed to do it, then you are an unpaid carer.

- Does the cared for person live in Leicestershire or Leicester city?
- Have they been discharged from hospital in the last 2 weeks?
- Have you incurred any additional costs linked to their discharge from hospital? For example, cleaning, housework, carer's loss of income due to time off work

If 'YES', you may be entitled to a contribution towards the additional costs for carers when someone is discharged from hospital

Carers can apply within 2 weeks of discharge from hospital by completing an online application form

### **Leicestershire residents**

[www.supportforcarers.org/hospital-discharge/grant](http://www.supportforcarers.org/hospital-discharge/grant)

Email: [maureen@supportforcarers.org](mailto:maureen@supportforcarers.org)

Call: Support for Carers on 01858 468 543

### **Leicester residents**

<https://shorturl.at/9De80> - links to Age UK

Email: [carers@ageukleics.org.uk](mailto:carers@ageukleics.org.uk)

Call: Leicester Carers Support Service on 0116 222 0556

**GRANT APPLICATIONS CAN BE MADE FROM  
3 FEBRUARY 2025**

## **FALLS MANAGEMENT IN RESIDENTIAL CARE**

Care staff should:

- Be aware of each client's service plan and act accordingly if the plan contains special arrangements due to a history of falls
- Know how to check on people who are at risk of falling, particularly those who lack awareness of safety due to mental incapacity
- Be trained in the care service's falls management policies & procedures including the role of risk assessments
- Be trained in falls prevention and how to recognise potential slip, trip and fall hazards
- Recognise the complications of falls including moderate to serious injury resulting from the fall (cuts, sprains and broken bones, especially if weakened through illness, such as osteoporosis)
- Always remove any hazard that could cause a fall such as clearing up spillages immediately
- Be constantly vigilant of potential slip, trip or fall hazards and any noted should be reported immediately to a manager or supervisor
- Report any slip or trip hazards such as torn or frayed carpets, damaged linoleum or floor tiles, uneven flooring or steps, uneven paving, etc
- Ensure falls prevention equipment (including mats and sensors) are regularly checked to ensure they are working and in good condition and report any concerns
- Where bed rails medical beds, trolleys, bariatric beds, lateral turning devices or bed grab handles are used, ensure safety precautions are followed
- Make sure a bed rail risk assessment has been undertaken prior to use, the decision taken and the reasoning behind the decision documented and reviewed as appropriate

Access more quick facts, feature articles, updates and tools from the FREE Croner-i Navigate-Care Lite platform at:

[https://pages.croneri.co.uk/3763-register.html?utm\\_campaign=3763&utm\\_medium=partner&utm\\_source=kcc&utm\\_content=navigate-care-lite-registration](https://pages.croneri.co.uk/3763-register.html?utm_campaign=3763&utm_medium=partner&utm_source=kcc&utm_content=navigate-care-lite-registration)

## CQC & HOME OFFICE COMPLIANCE

Wed 19 Feb 2025 @ 1pm

During the webinar, we will review the recent changes from December 2024 and explore why care providers lose their sponsorship licences and how to avoid this.

The webinar will help you to:

- Understand the December 2024 Home Office updates
- Understand where social care providers make Home Office compliance errors
- Prevent the loss of sponsorship licences in the social care sector

### REGISTER AT:

[https://pages.croner.co.uk/WEB-19-02-2025-3830\\_Registration-KCC.html](https://pages.croner.co.uk/WEB-19-02-2025-3830_Registration-KCC.html)

## FEBRUARY SCHOOL EVENTS

Speed Networking with John Ferneley  
College

Year 9 students (ages 13 - 14)

Scalford Road, Melton Mowbray LE13 1LH

Thursday 13 February | 8:30am - 1:35pm

Dragon's Den with Ivanhoe School

Year 9 students (ages 13-14)

North Street, Ashby de la Zouche LE65 1HX

Monday 24 February | 8:30am - 1:00pm

To book your place, email [events@leics-ebc.org.uk](mailto:events@leics-ebc.org.uk)  
or call 0116 240 7000.

## HEALTH AND CARE CAREERS EVENT

Saturday 8 March 2025

09:30 - 14:00

The Kube at Leicester Racecourse  
Oadby, Leicester LE2 4AL



**FREE  
EVENT**

**This FREE EVENT is a great opportunity to meet people who work for the NHS, social care and other healthcare organisations**

- Learn about careers in caring, therapy, nursing, administration, technology, plus many more
- Get information about career progression, apprenticeships & work experience opportunities
- Find out how to access courses & gain qualifications
- Get top tips on how to apply for jobs
- Find out about the wide range of staff benefits and how we support health & wellbeing



Scan the QR code

Or follow this link: [bit.ly/HealthcareCareers25](https://bit.ly/HealthcareCareers25)

# NAVIGATING THE WORLD OF CARE TOGETHER

## IMMIGRATION FEES TO INCREASE

The Home Office has announced that certain immigration related fees will increase and this will allow greater flexibility for adjusting the maximum fees charged for a range of services.

### SPONSORSHIP

A Certificate of Sponsorship is set to rise from £239 to £525 and the implementation date is to be confirmed.

### MORE INFORMATION

Next steps available at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/next-steps-for-a-more-efficient-immigration-system>

Q&A resource detailing how providers and staff may be impacted is available at:

<https://www.nhsemployers.org/news/increases-immigration-service-charges-announced>



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## FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FOR EMPLOYERS OFFERING 3 YEAR SPONSORSHIPS

Funding is available for large companies and small companies

### MORE INFORMATION

Check if your business classified as small or large?

<https://www.gov.uk/uk-visa-sponsorship-employers/immigration-skills-charge>

More information about the funding

<https://www.gov.uk/uk-visa-sponsorship-employers/immigration-skills-charge>

See the attached newsletter or email

[info@eastmidscare.co.uk](mailto:info@eastmidscare.co.uk)



## ADULT SOCIAL CARE LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT SCHEME

### UPDATED GUIDANCE

The Department of Health & Social Care has published updated guidance for adult social care employers in England on learning and development support for the financial year 2024 – 2025.

GO TO:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/adult-social-care-learning-and-development-support-scheme>

If you would like to submit an article in our newsletter please submit an article of no more than 300 words. The criteria for an article is that it be something that benefits the adult social care workforce. It could be good practice, hints and tips or something to support staff's wellbeing for example. Please submit your article by any Thursday noon.

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