



Third Sector Round Table: Preventing and Controlling Infection in Community Settings

10.00 - 13.00, Tuesday 6 August 2019
Health Protection Scotland, Meridian Court, 5 Cadogan Street,
Glasgow, G2 6AT

AGENDA

10.00 Arrival and refreshments

Welcome, introductions and and purpose of round table

- Claire Stevens, Chief Executive, VHS
- Alison Christie, Policy and Development Officer (Workforce), CCPS
- Dr. Lisa Ritchie, NHS Improvement IPC Fellow, Nurse Consultant Infection Control, Health Protection Scotland

Presentation: the role of HPS in infection prevention and control

- The role of HPS (and its role in Public Health Scotland from April 2020)
- The role and use of the NHS Scotland National Infection Prevention and Control Manual
- Wider engagement and collaboration beyond the NHS

Discussion: Third sector perspectives on infection prevention and control

- What does your organisation do – services, client groups?
- What kinds of infection challenges are you aware of in your work?
- How do you deal with these? – policies, resources, practice?
- What would be helpful to you in future?

Agreeing next steps

Scoping any future collaboration between HPS and the third sector

13.00 Close of meeting

About the round table

The profile of health protection has increased significantly in recent years with issues such as immunisation, food borne infections, pandemic flu, healthcare associated infection and communicable diseases regularly being in the public eye. Preventing and controlling infection is a crucial part of health protection. It includes preventing the transmission of communicable diseases and managing outbreaks and the other incidents which threaten the public health.

This round table is an opportunity for third sector organisations to discuss the health protection issues they encounter in their work, find out more about the support and resources Health Protection Scotland (HPS) can offer, and share any good policies and practice. The round table is also an opportunity to explore whether the NHS Scotland National Infection Prevention and Control Manual is a useful resource for the third sector, and whether other resources would be useful. We will also discuss how best to develop further engagement between HPS and our sector, taking into account Public Health Scotland's future role in leading partnership working, innovation and meaningful change across the whole public health system.

Registration for this round table is open to people working in the third sector only. We particularly welcome your participation if you provide care services in residential or community settings, including people's own homes, or if you work with particularly vulnerable groups, e.g. people who are street homeless and/or injecting illegal drugs, or people who are unpaid carers.

Register for your place by emailing: lauren.blair@vhscotland.org.uk

About VHS, HPS and CCPS

VHS is the national intermediary and network for voluntary health organisations in Scotland, working with its members and others to address health inequalities, to improve health related policy, systems and partnership working, and to help people and communities live healthier and fairer lives.

Health Protection Scotland (HPS) plan and deliver national services aimed at protecting people from infectious and environmental hazards. Their priorities include antimicrobial resistance, healthcare associated infection, sexually transmitted infections, respiratory infections, immunisations, and blood borne viruses. From April 2020 they will be part of Public Health Scotland (currently they are part of NHS National Services).

CCPS is the Coalition of Care and Support Providers in Scotland. Its mission is to identify, represent, promote and safeguard the interests of third sector and not-for-profit social care and support providers in Scotland, so that they can maximise the impact they have on meeting social need.



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