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## NASHiCS e-News.

### Special points of interest:

- NASHiCS  
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## THINK! Proactive LESS Reactive At the Forum in Cardiff:

**Date:** Thursday 17th May in Cardiff. **Venue:** Holiday Inn Central Cardiff.

**Time:** 9:00am - 4:00pm **AGM** follows until 4:30pm for Members only.

[The programme with the topics and speaker information](#) [Here now](#)

[Book Now](#) -don't leave it the last moment - 3 weeks left

## Again at the Forum in Edinburgh:

**Date:** Tuesday 12th June in Edinburgh. **Venue:** COSLA, Haymarket Edinburgh.

**Time:** 9:00am - 4:00pm [The programme - topics & speaker info](#) [here now](#)

[Book Now](#)

The costs for these events have been kept low for you and are excellent value for money.

[Events can only continue with your support.](#)

**All Forums include:-** Programme, speaker details, all refreshments, lunch, presentation papers & time to Network with speakers, sponsors and of course your colleagues. **Don't miss the opportunity.**

**Members** benefit a reduced rate of only **£38**

**Non Members** will be at **£58**

### National Officers.

Many thanks to those of you who sent in your nominations for the two National Officer Posts for the period June 2018- June 2020.

The nominations received were all for **Chris Jackson** (Present Chair) and **Andy Hollingshead** (Present Vice Chair).

As such with no other names received voting is not required as the election is carried nem-con Both agreed to serve again.



### Safer Needles Survey.

Thanks also for those of you who completed the short survey **NASHiCS** undertook for **Safer Needles Network**.

### Results

### Annual General Meeting

If you are not attending the AGM in Cardiff on 17th May please send in your proxy vote.

See the link on the [Welcome to the e-News](#)

Thanks to those who have done so.

### Social Media.

Followers on Linked In have just past the 100 mark. Please support the Association and join to pass on info or post comments.

### Join [NASHiCS Survey](#).

So far we have had a good response commenting on the Association & a number of points & suggestions for the National Executive to consider.

[Not done it yet?](#)  
click here [Survey](#)

## More events for 2018.

### Networker.

Wednesday 4th July, **Llandrindod Wells**. Wednesday 12th July **Beverley**, Wednesday 28th November in **London**

### Forum.

Tuesday 4th October in Belfast

### Fire Day.

Thursday 20th September Midlands

Details of these events will be added to the website [www.nashics.co.uk](http://www.nashics.co.uk) as they progress. Reminders will be sent to you nearer the event.



### Comment received re HAVS at the Cardiff Forum.

Help. "We now employ some folk specifically as gardeners and one of their tasks is using lawnmowers, strimmer's etc – so HAV is pertinent – until now this was done by contractors and we expected them to deal... now it will be us and I look forward to your info telling me exactly what I need to do and by when.... J

Hope this helps – if only by showing how much your input is needed.

### Comment re PAS From Ian.

"Can't remember if I told you, but following the **NASHiCS** Conference, we decided to go into Primary Authority Scheme with **Lincolnshire Fire and Rescue**.

I thought you might be interested to know that we decided to follow up. We had already decided to join PAS, but after meeting with Matt Pearce at the conference, we chose **Lincolnshire**. Makes sense for us, as we have a concentration of services in Lincolnshire."

### Caring for people with learning disabilities: the importance of support in the right place.

This online event explored various models of care that are set up to support people with learning disabilities in the right setting. The event is now available to watch on demand.

[Here.](#)

**The King's Fund** Ideas that change health care

### Ongoing inconsistencies of applications and authorisations for Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) across Wales.

The Care Inspectorate Wales has published the 2016-17 monitoring report for **DoLS** in Wales.

Ourselves and Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (HIW) have jointly published the report. The Safeguards apply to people over the age of 18 who can't consent to treatment or care in a hospital or care home and where restrictions or restraint may deprive them of their liberty. [Read](#)



### Peterlee care home rated Outstanding by the CQC.

The service at Jack Dormand Care Home was rated Outstanding for caring, responsiveness and well-led, and Good for safe & effective.

**HC-One Limited is a member of NASHiCS** [Read](#)

### NHS at 70.

With the 70th anniversary of the **NHS** fast approaching, organisations in the health and care sector are busy preparing all sorts of activity to mark the occasion. In this blog **Katie Mantell** considers what we want to achieve in the longer term.

[Read](#)

### Red Oaks care home rated Outstanding by the CQC.

Inspectors rated the service Outstanding for being caring and responsive to people's needs and Good for being safe, effective and well-led.

**Barchester Healthcare Limited is a member of NASHiCS.**

[Read](#)

### Tenterden House care home rated Outstanding by the CQC.

The service was rated Outstanding for caring, responsiveness and well-led, and Good for safe & effective.

**BUPA is a member of NASHiCS** [Read](#)

### First Aid at Work Guidance .

**Update** HSE have recently amended their first aid at work guidance .

[Read & download](#)

### No time limit for terminally ill people.

#### New amendment to the Social Security (Scotland) Bill

A new amendment has been tabled to the Social Security (Scotland) Bill, which would remove any time qualification for people who are terminally ill. [Read](#)

### People can now learn how to do CPR.

to the tune of the Proclaimers' hit 'I'm Gonna Be (500 Miles)'.  
The online film, funded by the Scottish Government and featuring Carole Smillie, has been created with the Save a Life for Scotland (SALFS) partnership.

[Watch Video](#)

### Clearer autism support.

Better post-diagnosis support and awards in updated strategy.

Autistic people and their families will receive tailored information about all the local support available to them, under an updated national strategy.

The Scottish Government will work with partners to create a 'national post-diagnostic support toolbox' that pulls information about local services into one place.

[Read](#)

### New advice launched to help tackle MSD risks in workplace.

**HSE** urges employers to think again before investing in off-the-shelf manual handling training.

The advice was launched at **HSE's** work-related **MSD** Summit. It aimed to help employers to decide what type of help they need to tackle the **MSD** risks in their workplace.

**More questions? Why not book the Forum Cardiff & find answers Emily Osborne, HSE's MSD Policy Group Advisor will be on hand to help with your questions More?**

### ISO 45001.

Health and safety in the workplace are the number one concern of most businesses, yet still deaths and injuries occur. ISO 45001 sets the minimum standard of practice to protect employees worldwide.

**Who is ISO 45001 for? Find out**

### Improving health and care through the home: a national memorandum of understanding.

This renewed memorandum of understanding has been signed by more than 25 government bodies and organisations in the health, social care and housing sectors. It sets out a shared commitment to improving health through the home. It contains principles for joint working for better health and wellbeing outcomes, and to reduce health inequalities.

It also outlines a framework for national and local cross-sector partnerships to provide healthy homes, communities and neighbourhoods.

**Read**

### Discarded Needles (Offences) Bill 2017-19.

Private Members' Bill (under the Ten Minute Rule)

**1st reading:** Commons 27th March

**2nd reading:** Commons 23rd November

#### Summary of the Bill

A Bill to make it an offence to discard needles in public places in specified circumstances; and for connected purposes.

### SAVE LIVES: Clean Your Hands 5 May 2018.

**It's in your hands – prevent sepsis in health care**

**WHO** calls on health facilities to prevent health care-associated sepsis through hand hygiene and infection prevention and control (IPC) action.

**Sepsis** is estimated to affect more than 30 million patients every year worldwide. **Sepsis** also frequently results from infections acquired in health care settings, which are one of, if not the most frequent adverse events during care delivery.

**More about Sepsis The campaign**

### HSENI launches, for consultation, its new Corporate Plan 2018-2023.

In this corporate plan, **HSENI** has set out its mission 'to work with others to reduce serious work-related injury and ill health'. Strategically, **HSENI** will focus on preventing the most serious workplace health and safety issues in high risk industries and activities



**Consultation on plan Closing date 29 June 2018**

### Care homes to feel the pressure of Labour's new paws clause.

Labour has unveiled plans for a 'paws clause' to allow elderly people to keep their pets in care homes.

**Read**

### Latest news on the Mental Health Units (Use of Force) Bill 2017-19.

MPs are now considering the Bill in a Public Bill Committee scheduled to meet on Wed 18 April 2018.

The membership of the public bill committee has been announced by the Committee of Selection.

#### Summary of the Bill

To make provision about the oversight and management of the appropriate use of force in relation to people in mental health units and similar institutions; to make provision about the use of body cameras by police officers in the course of duties in relation to people in mental health units; and for connected purposes

### Deaf Awareness Week 2018 14 – 20 May 2018.

Deaf Awareness Week is a unique campaign in that so many different organisations participate, each able to promote their own work within the broad spectrum of deafness.

**Read Publicity material**

### National Fire Safety Campaign Monthly Briefing Pack - May Escape Routes **Read**

### Guidance for the health and care sectors.

**Lincolnshire FRS** has produced some brief guidance on

High risk smokers  
Oxygen Users  
Electronic cigarettes  
Air, foam, fluid or gel filled mattresses  
Emollient Creams

**Read**

### Police & Fire Reform Act under the spotlight.

Justice Committee is calling for views on the legislation that brought them into being.

The Committee will scrutinise the Police and Fire Reform Act, one of

the most significant pieces of legislation since devolution, which sits behind the Scotland-wide organisations. It will look to see if there are parts which could be improved, as well as looking at areas where it is working well.

**Read**



**The Scottish Government**

### Care homes market study.

**Read**

### Health and Social Care (National Data Guardian) Bill 2017-19.

Private Members' Bill

**Committee stage:** Commons | Date to be announced

#### Summary of the Bill

A Bill to establish, and make provision about, the National Data Guardian for Health and Social Care; and for connected purposes.

## Happy to help through the e-News.

If you have a question/query concerning any aspect of Safety in Care.

Just **Email the administrator** with the details you require help with

**Who they respond to**, Giving your **Name**,

**Email address and phone.**

Or ask administrator to collect responses if you wish to be anonymous.

**Just another way for members to network.**



### FIRE QUERY

**My colleague Alice & I are looking forward to attending the conference in Cardiff on 17th May.**

There is one story in the recent **e-News** that has highlighted discussions we are having at the moment is how other supported living providers train staff to evacuate the people they support's homes during the night/day.

**I was wondering if you could put the question out the members for me to ask this question.**

In light of the Grenfell fire the Fire Services are stating that it is not their remit to evacuate people with mobility issues from their bedrooms etc, they are saying it is the responsibility of the support providers.

We understand that we need to ensure all staff are trained in fire safety & including assisting in the evacuation of the vulnerable people, where possible.

However we have been informed in the past that if a fire starts then staff are to assist those they can to leave the building, & if they are not able to because of mobility issues; using hoists etc during an evacuation could delay the staff member reaching safety.

Therefore we have been told by the fire service the vulnerable person is to be left in their bedroom on the lowest level of their hi lo bed where the fire doors will keep them safe for 30 minutes.

We have recently had the fire service carrying out inspections at some of our properties and they have advised that we are not suitably staffed on a 24 hours basis to ensure full evacuation. Unfortunately as we are funded by the L A & do not receive funding to put a full staff team in during the night to ensure full evacuation, our procedures are as above.

My question is has any other supported living providers been given this dilemma?

Many thanks for your help. Kind regards

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### Accidents/Incidents Benchmarking.

Hi there, I have been asked to approach you to see if **NASHICS** are aware of any benchmarking activity regarding accidents & incidents in our sector. Is this something that you have any experience of, or can suggest who else to speak to?

Ian Bland, Health & Safety Manager – Heritage Care

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Email: [ian.Bland@amberhousing.co.uk](mailto:ian.Bland@amberhousing.co.uk)

**NB** This subject has been raised on previous occasions but appears to be thwarted by little response for this task. **Ian** and a colleague are willing to tackle this again. Can anyone help? and speak to **Ian** to see if the goal could be achieved for everyone's benefit?

### Monitor/detector for people with epilepsy.

Hi ,can you please ask if anyone knows of a suitable monitor/detector suitable for people with epilepsy that will contact a phone or call centre should the wearer have a seizure. They must also be waterproof.

Regards **Steve McConnell**

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### Carers (Scotland) Act comes into force.

**1 April 2018** the Standards will be taken into account by the Care Inspectorate, Healthcare Improvement Scotland and other scrutiny bodies in relation to inspections, and registration, of health and care services. [Read.](#)



The Scottish Government

### Check Plug 13A Socket Tester BZ101

designed for the fast & safe checking of 230Volt / 240V 13 Amp UK electrical wall sockets. It checks they are wired correctly but has an additional audible signal when the wiring is correct as well as neons to indicate good or badly wired sockets. It allows for awkwardly placed, or not easily visible, sockets to be checked hassle-free& can also be used as a basic fuse finder

[Read](#)

### Integrated Care Systems are the next best thing.

...but what do they mean for social care? That's the question **Ewan King** is asking in his latest blog for DHSC's Social Care News [Read](#)

### Safe Deal Playing Cards (pack of cards)

These newly developed playing cards help you increase the opportunities to talk both formally and informally about the human factors that affect your organisation. The cards can make it much easier to break the ice, broach big subjects and start meaningful discussions.

Charge from **HSE £20 inc VAT Healthy Deal Cards** to follow [More](#)

### Raising awareness of MSDs is part of HSE's 'Go Home Healthy' campaign.

Watch this short [video](#) to find out what work activities are most likely to cause these injuries.

### Bloodless revolution in diabetes monitoring.

Scientists at Bath University have created an adhesive patch, which promises the measurement of glucose levels through the skin without a finger-prick blood test..

[Read](#)

### Trust fined after deaths of two patients.

**Southern Health NHS Foundation Trust** has been fined **£2m** after a series of management failings led to the deaths of two vulnerable patients at different facilities owned by the Trust.

For the breach relating to **Teresa Colvin**, the sentence was a **£950,000** fine.

For the breach relating to **Connor Sparrowhawk's** death, the sentence was a fine of **£1,050,000**

[Read](#)

### The CQC inspection of the Giltbrook Care Home,.

Giltbrook, following an incident that the home reported a person using the service had died, the **CQC** has now declared it 'inadequate' - the lowest possible rating.

The home is also being regularly visited by **Nottinghamshire County Council**, which has suspended its contract because of its concerns. However, the care home has said it is "fully committed to maintaining a high standard of care at all times".

**Nottinghamshire Police** confirmed they have been investigating the death on behalf of the coroner since January, but could give no further details. In the report published on 23 March after an unannounced visit on 31 January, the **CQC** inspectors wrote: "In March 2017, the provider notified us of an incident, "This incident is subject to a criminal investigation and as a result this inspection did not examine the circumstances of the incident.

[Read](#)

### Housing association fined after exposing employees to Hand Arm Vibration Syndrome (HAVS).

A community housing association has today been sentenced after it failed to effectively manage its employees' exposure to Hand Arm Vibration Syndrome (HAVS) over a prolonged period of time.

**Tai Calon Community Housing** of The Rising Sun Industrial Estate, Blaina, fined **£30,000** & costs of **£2789.25** [Read](#)

### Book for Cardiff to listen to a recent case concerning HAVS in Social Care sector

from **Wrexham**, explaining the background, outcomes & considering the wider implications for work activity not previously assessed.

**£150,000 Fine**

### Care Home Fined after a resident dies.

In July 2013, a resident at the care home managed by **Hill Care Ltd** in Bakewell had been left in her room in her wheelchair for almost 3 hours, with no checks taking place, when she slipped down the chair & died.

The home's policy was to not leave residents in wheelchairs in their rooms at all but this was not followed. Due to poor communications at shift changeover, the resident was only found a number of hours after she had been left by a family member, by the oncoming nightshift when they carried out their nightly checks.

**Hill Care Ltd Saltergate, Chesterfield**, was fined **£100,000** with **£12,000** in costs. [Read](#)

### Hospice receives fine for fatal fire.

**St. Michaels Hospice** in St Leonards, East Sussex had previously admitted fire safety breaches after the deaths of three residents in the 2015 blaze.

The fire was started by a terminally ill patient who was charged with arson but died in jail before his trial, while three other residents died in hospital after suffering smoke inhalation. Another 23 patients and nine members of staff were forced to evacuate, while the case was brought against the hospice by **East Sussex Fire Authority**. Fined **£250,000** for 'woefully inadequate' safety measures and **£165,000** in costs, reduced by 30% charitable status [Read](#)

### Arjo: Entroy

4 April 2018

Hoists and slings

Model: GAB1000-01 and

GAB1000-11

MHRA reference:

[2018/003/012/601/006](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/691006/2018_003_012_601_006.pdf)



### Stryker: EMS – Power-LOAD® Cot Fastener

March 2018

Moving & handling

MHRA reference:

[2018/003/020/478/011](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/691006/2018_003_020_478_011.pdf)



### Chingford fire: Resident dies in care home blaze.

A resident died after a fire broke out at a home in Connington Crescent for people with learning disabilities. The building contained 2 supported living services, **Connington Court & Connington House**.

The 2 homes, both run by **Sequence Care Group**, catered for adults with learning disabilities who may also have autism, complex needs or behaviours that challenge services [Read](#)

### HC-One home was not "consistently safe" before fatal fire.

An inspection by the **CQC** a month before a fatal fire in February rated **Woodlands View Care Home** requires improvement in all areas & "not consistently safe" the **CQC** has revealed.

An elderly man died following the fire in the home, acquired recently from **Bupa**, in February.

**An HC-One** spokesman said: "The health, safety, and wellbeing of everyone we look after are our main priorities.

### Allied Healthcare: Home care provider seeks rescue plan.

One of the biggest providers of UK home care is in financial difficulty. Allied employs 8,700 people to look after elderly and vulnerable patients, is set to file for protection from its creditors due to a "highly challenging environment".

The company, which also offers learning disabilities support services, said it will continue to provide care and there will be no redundancies [Read](#)