

Dear Communities of Interest network,

As always, this week's email includes a number of updates and resources for you to use and share with the other organisations you work with. [This page](#) provides the latest advice and guidance from the Leeds Public Health team, and signposts you to the relevant local services and resources.

The next Communities of Interest zoom meeting will take place *this [Wednesday from 1:30pm-3pm](#)*.

Q&A session for the workforce

On Tuesday 2 March, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust held a Vaccine Q&A session and the YouTube link can be found [here](#).

Vaccine Survey

If anyone would like to share their experience of having the vaccine at Elland Road or Thackray, they can do this by filling in a short [survey](#).

Vaccine frequently asked questions

You can find answered questions and key information and resources about the vaccine on the Leeds CCG page [here](#).

Please be aware of possible scams. More information about this can be found [here](#).

[New vaccination clinic starts at the Bilal Centre on Wednesday 10 March](#)

Rapid testing programme for key workers

There will be 3 sites:

- 1.** Headingley Campus, Leeds Beckett University, LS6 3QS (Now Open)
- 2.** City Campus, Leeds Beckett University, LS1 3HE (Opens Tuesday 9 March)
- 3.** The Old Fire Station, Gipton, LS9 6NL (Opens Tuesday 9 March)

More information about what people are considered key workers and frequently asked questions can be found [here](#).

[International Women's Day Event](#)

Women Friendly Leeds is hosting a Love Yourself on [Wednesday from 6-7:30pm](#) event with 10 taster sessions for you to enjoy. You can pick 3 of the sessions to attend for 20mins each session.

More information about the event can be found [here](#).

Visual Impairment Awareness Event - Thursday, 11th March, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

First ever VI Awareness Event on Zoom.

ABA (Association of Blind Asians) is a registered charity based in Leeds. Every year ABA helps the Black, Asian and minority community with visual impairments, along with their carers to manage their condition so they can live independent and fulfilling lives. This event has been organised by ABA in partnership with Leeds Hearing and Sight Loss Services to raise awareness on visual impairments.

For more information and to book a place, please follow the link: <https://tinyurl.com/4j43erbt>

We hope you can join us! or contact annette.morris@val.org.uk

Covid Vaccination for Health & Care Workers at The Mount

Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (LYPFT) is offering vaccination appointments at The Mount (Woodhouse, Leeds) for ALL health and care workers, including those working in the Third Sector, not limited to frontline workers.

To book an appointment, email cvacmountannexe.lypft@nhs.net or phone 0113 85 58866 from 9am – 7pm. The attached leaflet can be used to share this offer.

Lamppost banners

NHS CCG are looking at doing some lamppost banners which will be good for our neighbourhoods (Chapelton, Harehills, and Roundhay Road, Bramley, Seacroft) and images of local people i.e. Arthur France, Dr Amal Paul and Alison Lowe. Purpose of these images will be to encourage local people to take up their vaccine when invited and the language will change so it fits the community.

It would be great to get people from the Eastern European community (Romanian, Polish, Lithuania, Slovak), if you can put me in touch with someone we can make the connection.

The work we do with children and young people for the vaccine confidence, we're hoping that some of those children will want to have their photo on the lamppost banners and become community champions. If you are able to get involved then let us know or contact natasha.noor@nhs.net

Many thanks
Forum Central Team

