

Emerging infections – monthly summary - Updated 20th April

Monthly update on the new or emerging infectious disease events that could affect UK public health. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Antibody Testing - Updated 21st April

Guidance updated. For more information, [click here](#).

Inflation, it's personal - News story 22nd April

Blog looking at the reasons behind the cost of living increases. For more information, [click here](#).

Diphtheria: public health control and management in England - Updated 25th April

Guidelines for 2022 have been added. For more information, [click here](#).

Ebola: returning workers scheme (RWS) - Updated 25th April

Guidance updated on current Ebola-affected areas. For more information, [click here](#).

DBS launches a new customer webchat service - News story 25th April

Highlighting the new webchat service that will provide more support for customers online. For more information, [click here](#).

Heatwave plan for England - Updated 26th April

Report and training slides have been updated; the heatwave plan for summer 2022 remains unchanged. For more information, [click here](#).

PPE Portal: how to order COVID-19 personal protective equipment - Updated 26th April

Updated to reflect that the portal used to order PPE has now moved to a new platform. For more information, [click here](#).

British Sign Language Bill set to clear final stages before becoming law - Updated 27th April

Announcement that the Bill that will see BSL become a recognised language in Britain is expected to clear its final hurdle on the way to becoming law. For more information, [click here](#).

Workforce Recruitment and Retention Fund for adult social care - Updated 27th April

Announcement to reflect that this information is no longer current but is for reference purposes only. For more information, [click here](#).

Workforce Recruitment and Retention Fund for adult social care, round 2 - Updated 27th April

Announcement to reflect that this information is no longer current but is for reference purposes only. For more information, [click here](#).

Coronavirus: advice for UK visa applicants and temporary UK residents - Updated 27th April

The expiry date for a visa, leave or 'exceptional assurance' has been changed from 30th April 2022 to 31st May 2022. For more information, [click here](#).

Health and Care Bill granted Royal Assent in milestone for healthcare recovery and reform - News story 28th April

Announcement that the Bill has received Royal assent marking an important step in the Government health and care agenda. For more information, [click here](#).

Kickstart Scheme - Updated 1st May

Page updated to highlight that the deadline for telling the Government that the young person has started their job has now passed. For more information, [click here](#).

Infection Prevention and Control in adult social care – COVID-19 supplement - Updated 3rd May

Guidance updated on symptoms and aerosol generating procedures. Further information also added in relation to testing and PPE for live-in carers. For more information, [click here](#).

CQC Update to Supporting Documents Page for Registering Providers

For those providers registering with CQC, the Domiciliary Care supporting documents page has been updated. All QCS policies have been updated to ensure they remain in line with the changes.

Policy Updates

- All coronavirus policies and Resource Centre documents continue to be reviewed and updated in light of government updates. Please see your dashboard for the latest changes

Risk Assessment Updates

- All risk assessments continue to be updated in light of government updates