

# Adult social care trade associations meeting



14 August 2019

# Agenda



No.	Agenda item	Lead	Time
1.	<b>Welcome and introductions</b>	Dave James	10.00
2.	<b>Minutes and actions from last meeting</b>	Dave James & Abigail Walker	10.05
3.	<b>Hot topics and open discussion</b>	Dave James	10.10
4.	<b>Updates</b>	Dave James	10.45
6.	Defining gaps in employment history	Dave James	11.00
8.	State of Care 2018/19	Dave James	11.10
9.	<b>AOB &amp; reflections</b>	Dave James	11.50

# Welcome and introductions

# Minutes and actions from last meeting

# Hot topics and discussion

# Updates

- In June this year we updated that we were making improvements to our Provider Information Return (PIR). From 7 August 2019 we will be requesting that all providers complete an updated PIR and this will then continue on an annual basis.
- Requests for the PIR will be sent during the anniversary month of your first site visit. This will allow us to expand how we use information from the PIR to support our continuous monitoring of services and we will also continue to use the PIR as part of any inspections that take place.
- We will be writing to all providers with details of the updated questions/guidance and a reminder of when their first site visit date was to assist with planning for the PIR.
- We are currently developing guidance on how to complete the updated PIR.

- [The new resource](#) was published on 16 July and highlights how providers have used new technologies to try and meet the needs of people using their services and improve the quality of care.
- Examples range from apps that help people take more control of their care to digital systems for improving sharing care records.
- This new resource aims to encourage innovation and improvement, as well as starting a constructive discussion around how services are doing things differently and what that means for people and regulation.





- The report will now be aiming to publish at the end of October – start of November.
- We are pushing back the publication of this report in order to take time to make the recommendations more actionable, naming organisations who can take action.
- We will continue to engage with you on any changes and keep you updated on the progress.

# Defining a meaningful employment gap

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# Helping to define a meaningful employment gap



## **What do CQC require now ?**

Legislation requires consideration of “any gaps in employment”. CQC has no definition of what a gap in employment should be, meaning it could be anything from a day onwards.

## **Why are we looking at this ?**

As we work to make registration more efficient we are looking at what information we need to make a registration decision. We want to make sure that information collected is meaningful, consistent and meets our regulatory requirements.

## **What we are proposing ?**

For clarity and consistency we propose to define a meaningful employment gap as 4 weeks or more.

Do you think this this amount of time is reasonable and will promote consistency ?

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# State of Care 2018/19

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*N.B. Slides removed as not to be shared at present*

# AOB & reflections