



## COVID-19

Coronavirus (COVID-19): admission and care of people in care homes How to protect care home residents and staff during the coronavirus outbreak. This guidance is for care homes, local health protection teams, local authorities, clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) and registered providers of accommodation for people who need personal or nursing care.

<u>COVID-19</u>: <u>guidance on home care provision (updated 6 April)</u> This guidance is aimed at local authorities, clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) and registered providers, who support and deliver care to people in their own homes, including community health services. The guidance sets out key messages to support planning and preparation in the event of an outbreak or widespread transmission of COVID-19.

<u>Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Housing and Care in Specialist Housing</u> This briefing sets out at a number of practical things for providers of specialist housing to consider when seeking to reduce the risk of an outbreak of coronavirus.

Helping families keep in touch during COVID-19 Dementia UK and the Relatives & Residents Association have brought together their ideas for relatives/friends, and for care staff, to help maintain relationships with people living with dementia.

## **Study**

Association Between Cardiovascular Disease and Long-term Exposure to Air Pollution with the Risk of Dementia This study found that long-term exposure to air pollution was associated with a higher risk of dementia. Heart failure and ischemic heart disease appeared to enhance the association between air pollution and dementia, whereas stroke seemed to be an important intermediate condition between the association of air pollution exposure with dementia.

## **Blog Posts**

<u>Vascular dementia explained</u> This post from the Dementia Blog provides a detailed, clear explanation of vascular dementia.

Going beyond the Mental Capacity Act in assessing capacity: recognising and overcoming biases and stereotypes This blog post from The Mental Elf discusses the briefing note Mitigating the risk of assumptions and biases in assessments of mental capacity discussing the extent to which decisions about mental capacity are acutely ones that engage the question of interpersonal relationships between the assessor and the assessed.

## **Advice**

Home safety is important for a person living with Alzheimer's Facing Alzheimer's may cause family conflict

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