

# **Stakeholder Bulletin** 2 June 2025

# **Latest Updates**

Health leaders issue weight loss jab warning after woman hospitalised



A woman from Selby received treatment in intensive care after using a 'weight loss jab' allegedly sourced from a North Yorkshire salon.

North Yorkshire Police were notified by health professionals, and an investigation is under way. Two other people are known to have also become unwell.

The woman has since been discharged, but the incident has prompted health leaders in North Yorkshire and the Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) to warn people of the risks of using weight loss medicines bought from private clinics or online.

Buying products from unregulated suppliers "significantly increases the risk of getting a product which is either falsified or not licensed for use in the UK and can pose a direct danger to health", they say.

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Midwifery symposium takes place in York



A large group of hospital and community midwives came together at a midwifery symposium in York to "share learning and expertise".

The 38 midwives who attended are based from across the Humber and North Yorkshire region and ranged from those who are relatively new to the profession, to some with around 40 years' service.

They were joined at the LNER Stadium by university midwifery lecturers and representatives from the area's maternity and neonatal voices partnership.

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Free Lung Cancer Screening appointments available to eligible people in Bridlington



More than 7,000 people in Bridlington are to be invited for a free Lung Cancer Screening appointment.

The Lung Cancer Screening programme, which is helping to save lives through earlier diagnosis of lung cancer and other conditions, is now being offered to eligible participants living in Bridlington.

Past and current smokers, aged between 55 and 74, are being invited in phases and eligible participants who live in Bridlington and are registered with a GP practice will be invited for a Lung Cancer Screening appointment. They will receive a letter inviting them to book a telephone assessment with a specially trained respiratory nurse.

Lung Cancer Screening can help identify lung cancer and other respiratory diseases early, often before symptoms occur and when treatment could be more successful.

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NHS IMPACT Operational Improvement Training



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Operational leaders will be equipped with the skills to improve efficiency and productivity, grounded by a culture of innovation and continuous learning. They will be empowered to tackle key challenges creatively and systematically, leading to performance improvement and productivity gains, with a view of changing the way the NHS work for the better.

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# Webinar: Transforming Asthma Care



#### Wednesday 9 July 2025, 10:00-11:30am

The Humber and North Yorkshire Respiratory Clinical Network and Children and Young People's Asthma Transformation Programme would like to invite you to the launch of the updated HNY Asthma Guidelines.

The guidelines have been revised by clinicians across the region to ensure alignment with new national BTS/NICE/SIGN asthma guidelines. The revised guidelines continue to recognise the importance of identifying and addressing over-reliance on reliever inhalers.

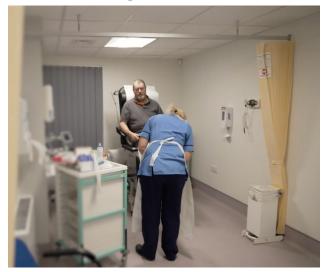
The webinar will be chaired by Professor Michael Crooks, Clinical Lead for the Humber and North Yorkshire ICB Respiratory Network.

Attendees will gain an overview of the new Respiratory Diagnostics Locally Enhanced Service, which commissions spirometry and FeNO in primary care across Humber and North Yorkshire.

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### News from Across the Partnership

£48 million investment for world-leading Wound Innovation Centre



The University of Hull is establishing a £48m internationally leading translational wound research centre in East Yorkshire.

With a consortium of industry partners, the Wound Innovation Centre (WIC) will be at the forefront of global wound research. Research carried out at the centre will transform the quality of life for those impacted by chronic wounds.

The University has been awarded £16m from the UK Research Partnership Investment Fund. The centre will be match funded by industry partners including Polaroid Therapeutics (PTx) and Reckitt, creating a £48m research facility in East Yorkshire.

Currently the NHS spends approximately £8.3 billion per year on wound care, more than both obesity and cancer. There is a real and increasing need for effective wound care treatment, regionally, nationally and globally.

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# VR technology transports cancer patients to the Northern Lights and beyond



A special virtual reality (VR) taster session is to be held next month for patients with cancer and their loved ones.

The Cancer Psychological Team, based at the Queen's Centre, Castle Hill Hospital, has introduced VR after being <u>awarded a cancer innovation grant</u> from the Humber and North Yorkshire Cancer Alliance last year.

Funding to the tune of £1,600 was awarded to buy VR equipment to enable relaxation therapies to be delivered to young people being treated in the Teenage and Young Adult Unit (Ward 33).

The project proved so popular that the cancer psychological team, led by consultant clinical psychologist, Dr Jennie Ormerod, has now invested in further equipment which patients of any age and their loved ones are being invited to road-test for the first time on Tuesday 24 June.

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#### Asthma Friendly Schools initiative launched across York



York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust is calling on schools across the City of York to join a new initiative named 'Asthma Friendly Schools'.

This exciting new programme aims to support local schools in becoming 'Asthma Friendly', with the goal of improving the care of pupils with asthma and raising awareness of this common long-term medical condition through training, resources, and support.

The process is straightforward, and upon successful completion of the Asthma Friendly Standards, schools will receive a letter to inform students and their parents/carers, along with an Asthma Friendly School logo, which can be used on official documents, websites, and social media.

This award is supported by a joint venture between NHS Humber and North Yorkshire ICB and the Trust, and is open to all schools, including primary, secondary, private, independent, and state schools. The City of York Council is encouraging all York schools to get involved.

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