

CABINET MEMBER DECISION: Adult Social Care Infection Control and Testing Fund Round 3: Distribution to Providers

**Gloucestershire
County
Council**

KEY DECISION not published in the Forward Plan

The following key decision will be considered by Cllr Carole Allaway-Martin, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning under the Council's Special Urgency Rules. Because the decision is urgent, it has not been possible to publish details about the decision on the Forward Plan.

**Decision: Adult Social Care Infection Control and Testing Fund Round 3:
Distribution to Providers**

That the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning delegates authority to the Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Public Health to:

1. Pay providers of bed based care in Gloucestershire , including residential drug and alcohol settings and CQC regulated community care providers (i.e. domiciliary care, extra care and supported living), including those with whom the council does not have a contract, the stipulated 70% of the Infection Prevention and Control fund allocation received pursuant to the Determination on a “per bed” basis (for care homes) or “per user” basis (for CQC regulated community care providers) for the purpose of reducing the rate of COVID-19 transmission within and between care settings through effective infection prevention and control practices and to pay any undistributed funding from such allocation to eligible providers for the same purpose.
2. Allocate 1% of the Infection Prevention and Control fund allocation to meet the council's administrative costs arising from the distribution of the funding described in this report and the council's reporting obligations in respect thereof.
3. Allocate and pay the remaining 29% of the Infection Prevention and Control fund allocation to adult social care providers that are nominated by the Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Public Health in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning in order to support other COVID-19 infection prevention and control measures subject to the provisions of the Determination.
4. Pay providers of bed based care in Gloucestershire , including residential drug and alcohol settings and CQC regulated community care providers (i.e. domiciliary care, extra care and supported living), including those with whom the council does not have a contract, the stipulated 70% of the Vaccination fund allocation received pursuant to the Determination on a “per bed” basis (for care homes) or “per user” basis (for CQC regulated community care providers) for the purpose of increasing COVID-19 and flu vaccine uptake among their staff and to pay any undistributed funding from such allocation to eligible providers for the same purpose.
5. Allocate and pay the remaining 30% of the Vaccination fund allocation to support

staff with COVID-19 and flu vaccinations in other care settings, including non-registered settings, and to provide additional support to providers that are nominated by the Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Public Health in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning in order to support other COVID-19 vaccination measures subject to the provisions of the Determination.

6. Pay providers of bed-based care in Gloucestershire, including residential drug and alcohol settings and bed-based care providers with whom the council does not have a contract, the stipulated 75% of the Testing fund allocation received pursuant to the Determination on a “per bed” basis for the purpose of testing staff and visitors in care settings to identify and isolate positive cases and enable close contact visiting where possible, and to pay any undistributed funding from such allocation to eligible providers for the same purpose.
7. Allocate and pay the remaining 25% of such Testing fund allocation to providers of community services and other eligible care providers in Gloucestershire that are nominated by the Executive Director of Adult Social Care and Public Health in consultation with the Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care Commissioning in order to support other testing related measures subject to the provisions of the Determination.

Reasons for invoking special urgency procedures *(as set out in the Council’s Constitution, Rules on Access to Information About the County Council’s Formal Business paragraphs 18-19 and Call-In Procedure Rules, section 10)*

The Adult Social Care Infection Control and Testing Fund: round 3 has been allocated to Gloucestershire from central Government with a mandate to ensure all funds are spent by 31st March 2022. The first tranche of funds was received on 26th October 2021. The funding is £4,860,330 in total and an urgent decision is required to avoid any delay and ensure that the funds can be used in accordance with the grant conditions.

Signed: Chief Executive



Date: 11.11.21

In accordance with the Council's Special Urgency Rules, the Chair (Cllr Stephen Hirst) and Vice Chair (Cllr Lisa Spivey) of the Adult Social Care and Communities Scrutiny Committee, and the Chair of Council, Cllr Alan Preest, have confirmed their agreement that the above decision can be taken as a key decision under the Council's Special Urgency Rules. For the above reasons, the decision will require urgent implementation, without pre-implementation review.