# Digital Social Care Record Programme: Leicester, Leicestershire, and Rutland.

## What is the Digital Social Care Record:

- A Digital Social Care Record (DSCR) allows the digital recording of care information and care received by an individual, within a social care setting, replacing traditional paper records.
- DSCRs are person-centred and enable information to be shared securely and in real-time with authorised individuals.
- These records will play an important role in joining up care across social care and the NHS, freeing up time spent by care workers and managers on administrative tasks whilst equipping them with the information they need to deliver care.
- They are the platform on which other remote care tools can integrate and can enable the greater personalisation of care planning that focuses on the individual.

## What are the benefits of a Digital Social Care Record:

- Efficiency: Simplify data entry, retrieval, and updates
- Accuracy: Minimise errors through standardized electronic records.
- Collaboration: Facilitate seamless communication among care providers.
- Accessibility: Enable secure remote access to essential information.
- Person-Centred Care: Personalised records aid tailored care plans.
- Effortless Documentation: Simplify daily reporting and progress tracking.
- Data-Driven Insights: Extract trends for improved decision-making.
- Renewed focus from CQC on the need for electronic records to support efficient and secure data sharing. Electronic record keeping is seen as a key area of development for organisations seeking to attain and maintain the good and outstanding rating.

## Financial Support Available:

To support care homes and Domiciliary care providers NHS England have made funds available in the form of grants. The grants are:

- Must be match funded by the ICB and providers.
- Grant is limited to solutions from the NHSE Assured List of solutions.
- Funding is not available for retrospective implementations prior to 1st April 2022.
- To access the grant, providers must have achieved DSPT standards met status.
- Grants can only be used to cover software licencing (1st year only), associated hardware, and software implementation costs.
- A grant can be applied for on a per site level. If you have multiple sites each site can be eligible for a grant.
- Organisations must be actively registered with the CQC and must not be considered dormant.
- Organisations must have been registered with the CQC and been active for a minimum of one year prior to being considered for grant funding.

Grant funding must be matched by the providers. Grants are based on the following sizing criteria:

| | Number of Beds | | | |
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| **Care Home Bands** | 1-25 | 26-40 | 41-60 | 60+ |
| **Max grant available** | £      2,750 | £      3,250 | £      4,500 | £      5,000 |

| | Number of Service Users | | | |
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Grants will be provided for up to 50% of the total invoice cost or the maximum banding whichever is reached first.


## Key Contacts, resources, and support:

We have a team based within the Leicestershire Health Informatics Service (LHIS) who are available to support grant applications. To start your application today please contact the team on:

- lpt.lhisdscradmin@nhs.net


In addition, please use the following link to review the solutions available on the NHS Assured supplier list:

- Assured solutions for digital social care records | Digitising Social Care


To support you in choosing a solution you can use the following links below to better understand social care records and also review the assured suppliers using the tool to filter products to meet your organisation's needs:

- Getting digital social care records | Digitising Social Care
- Find assured solutions for digital social care records | Digitising Social Care


Please don't hesitate to get in contact with us to discuss any grant funding applications. Please email us at: lpt.lhisdscradmin@nhs.net