

REMINDER: CROYDON'S SAVINGS PROPOSALS

Don't forget to have your say by 24th January. The Council wants to hear from you.
www.croydon.gov.uk/savingsproposals

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Funding Opportunity

**Wave 5 of the London Community Response
is now open for applications:**

Renewal grants are for up to £50,000 to enable you to support the recovery and renewal of London's communities over a full year, starting from April 2021. Renewal grants can be for the costs of a specific project, a partnership approach, or for the core costs of running your organisation. The **deadline to apply for a renewal grant is midday 15 February** and will be assessed as quickly as possible after this date.

Further details can be found at: https://londoncf.org.uk/apply/coronavirus-response-funding?dm_i=1QF7,760W9,QNRN4I,TOWXI,1

THIS IS THE COMMUNITY COVID TESTING LEAFLET

Please let us know if you'd like some to distribute to your network. Please email us at
info@cnca.org.uk **stating how many you need and where you'd like them sent?**



The leaflet is divided into four main sections with colorful borders:

- PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS FROM COVID-19**: Includes 'YOUR GUIDE TO STAYING SAFE' and lists main symptoms: New, persistent cough; High temperature; Loss or change of taste or smell.
- WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS**: Advises staying at home, self-isolating, and booking a test immediately. Includes a section on 'GETTING TESTED FOR COVID-19' with instructions on where to go and what to do.
- SELF-ISOLATING WHILE YOU WAIT FOR THE RESULT**: Lists things you must not do (leave home, have visitors, work from home, get food delivered) and things you must do (stay at home, get food delivered, avoid public transport).
- PROTECT YOURSELF AND OTHERS FROM COVID-19**: Includes 'FIND OUT WHAT SUPPORT YOU CAN GET' and 'THANK YOU FOR PLAYING YOUR PART TO HELP: KEEP CROYDON SAFE'.

Here is a link to the latest information bulletin from The Carers Information Service
[News and events for carers \(mailchi.mp\)](https://www.mailchi.mp)

**What's New
for Carers**

**Carers
Information
Service**

**The Croydon BME Forum warmly invite all members of
the Black community to join their 'Fit for Partnership'
events, re-imagining mental health services, starting
this week. Join them to achieve anti-racism and equity
in South London and Maudsley mental health services.**

Further information and dates can be found here:

[Croydon: Reimagining Mental Health Services for Black Communities Tickets, | Eventbrite](#)



JOB VACANCIES

Croydon Drop In and Off The Record are recruiting the following. More information and an application form can be found [here](#)

Counsellor/Mental Health Practitioner x 1 17.5 hours pw Working in schools across the London Borough of Croydon £29,828 (pro rata FTE 35hrs pw) Start date: 22nd February 2021, Fixed term until 17.12.21 in first instance.

Counsellor/Mental Health Practitioner x 1 35 hours pw Maternity Cover Working in schools across the London Borough of Croydon £29,828 Start date: 22nd March 2021, Fixed term until 10.09.21 Closing date for all applications: 10am on Friday 29th January 2021 Interview dates: 9th and 10th February.

Croydon BME Forum

Mental Health Personal Independence Co-Ordinators
£26,491 per annum FTE

Fixed term contract until 31 March 2023

Full time

36 hours per week

(worked standard office hours, five days a week Monday to Friday but including some evenings and weekends as required for which time off in lieu will be given)

Based at the Mental Health Wellbeing Hub in Central Croydon and out and about in the community. Opportunities to work flexibly from home where agreed. *Mind in Croydon* and *Croydon BME Forum* have formed an exciting new partnership, the PIC Partnership to deliver this innovative, explorative project.

We are looking for 6 x Mental Health Personal Independence Co-ordinators (MHPICs).

Three (3) will be employed by Mind in Croydon and three by the Croydon BME Forum.

More information and application details can be found [here](#)




BE ALERT TO VACCINE FRAUD

Criminals are using the COVID-19 vaccine as a way to target the public by tricking them to hand over cash or financial details. They are sending convincing-looking text messages letting people know they are eligible for the vaccine or phoning people directly pretending to be from the NHS, or local pharmacy.

PEOPLE ARE WARNED TO BE ALERT TO THESE SCAMS

The **NHS** will:

- ⊗ NEVER ask for payment - the vaccine is free
- ⊗ NEVER ask for your bank details
- ⊗ NEVER arrive unannounced at your home to administer the vaccine
- ⊗ NEVER ask you to prove your identity by sending copies of personal documents such as your passport




FURTHER GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT



If you receive a call you believe to be fraudulent, hang up. If you are suspicious about an email you have received, forward it to report@phishing.gov.uk. Suspicious text messages should be forwarded to the number 7726 which is free of charge.



If you believe you have been the victim of fraud or identity theft, you should report this directly to Action Fraud either online; actionfraud.police.uk or via phone 0300 123 2040.



If you have any information relating to vaccine fraud you can stay 100% anonymous by contacting CrimeStoppers COVID Fraud Hotline online; covidfraudhotline.org or phone 0800 587 5030.

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We run a [remote community tech support](#) service providing 1 to 1 support for computers, tablet and mobile phones. We help people set up email, video chat, online shopping and essential form filling.

Training for your Organisation

As part of the suicide prevention work in Croydon, Public Health and the CCG are looking to arrange online training sessions around suicide awareness.. Details of the course can be found here: <https://www.prevent-suicide.org.uk/training-courses/sfa-suicide-first-aid/> If you are interested, please contact info@cnca.org.uk by 28th January.

CNCA's DBS Service

Please contact us with your DBS applications and get in touch with any enquiries. We are currently collecting postal applications weekly so they may take slightly longer than usual.



Please go here for the latest updates & news from CVA

[Lot of news, funding & webinars in this week's newsletter \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

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