

NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde	Paper No. 22/59
Paper Title	Standing Committee Chairs Board Report
Meeting:	NHS Board Meeting
Date of Meeting:	23 August 2022
Purpose of Paper:	For Assurance
Classification:	Board Official
Name of Reporting Committee	Area Clinical Forum
Date of Reporting Committee	11 August 2022
Committee Chairperson	Dr Lesley Rousselet

1. Purpose of Paper

The purpose of this paper is to: inform the NHS Board on key items of discussion at the NHSGGC Area Clinical Forum.

2. Recommendation

The Board is asked to note the key items of discussion at the recent meeting of the Area Clinical Forum on 11 August 2022 as set out below and seek further assurance as required.

3. Key Items of Discussion

3.1 COVID-19 Update

The Forum received a verbal update on the current situation for awareness. The Forum was advised that there had been less COVID-19 positive patients and less pressures arising from COVID-19. However the Forum was informed that the hospital occupancy rate remained high across GGC. The Forum noted that work on managing the elective programme had been ongoing, as well as work on a programme to support staff with Long COVID-19. The Forum also received feedback from a member who had attended the NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health and Care Staffing Programme Board. Feedback on progress in relation to the Health and Care Staffing Bill was received. A discussion followed on COVID19 and its impact on staffing. Mr Edwards and Professor Wallace described the many actions underway to support performance across the Board.

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3.2 Winter Planning

The Forum received an update on Winter Planning for awareness. The Forum were assured that planning for the winter period was underway with a number of processes in place to monitor and respond to pressures over the winter period.

3.3 Unscheduled Care

The Forum received an update on Unscheduled Care for awareness. The Forum were advised of the current challenges and the work underway to improve performance. The Forum also discussed ensuring robust evaluation of the redirection work.

3.4 Flu and COVID-19 Vaccination Update

The Forum received an update on the Flu and COVID-19 Vaccination Programme for awareness. The Forum was informed that the programme would be launched on the 5th September 2022 with people aged over 65 and frontline health and social care workers the first to be offered vaccination.

3.5 Advisory Committee Updates

The Forum received verbal updates from the Chairs of the Advisory Committees.

4. Issues for referral to other Standing Committees or escalation to the NHS Board

There were no issues for referral to other Standing Committees or escalation to the NHS Board.

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Area Clinical Forum will take place on Thursday 13 October 2022.