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Paper Title	Standing Committee Chairs Board Report
Meeting:	Board Meeting
Date of Meeting:	28 June 2022
Purpose of Paper:	For Assurance
Classification:	Board Official
Name of Reporting Committee	Area Clinical Forum
Date of Reporting Committee	9 June 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 9 June 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 were advised that although the number of COVID-19 inpatients had decreased significantly, there had been a slight increase in recent days. The Forum was advised that staff absences had also decreased, however, hospital occupancy remained high across NHSGGC. The Forum noted that work continued to manage the elective programme alongside the ongoing pressures on unscheduled care.

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3.2 Public Protection

The Committee received an update on Public Protection (Child and Adult Protection) for assurance. The Forum noted the significant increase in referrals to the Public Protection Service since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic and noted the actions underway to support this. There was also discussion around the accessibility of training for a range of professionals.

3.3 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 Tuesday 11 August 2022.