

# Core brief

## Daily update

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## Digital Clinical Notes

The Digital Clinical Notes (DCN) programme, is an ambitious and innovative multi-professional approach to digitalise clinical documentation onto the TrakCare © platform.



One priority for this programme is that over the months and years to come, we will see Nursing, Allied Health Professionals, Medical and Dental colleagues move from the current paper based documentation onto a digital platform. This programme will improve the quality and legibility of our clinical notes. It will also make the retrieval and review of notes easier.

Following training we expect to see a reduction in the time required for completion and a marked reduction in duplication of information in different care records.

This programme has a clear sustainability element to it with the incremental reduction in paper wastage as each professional group 'goes live.' Nursing will be the first group to do so, with a projected timeline of Early 2023 for the Early Adopter wards and then a supported and staged implementation across adult acute services from Spring 2023.

We are grateful for the involvement and support from a number of clinical staff groups, who have been invaluable in developing and testing the digital note format and structure. As we expand to include other professional groups we will seek and welcome input from many of you. If you have any questions then please contact the DCN team.

## Excellence Awards

Have you got your entry in to the NHSGGC Excellence Awards yet?



You can nominate any member or team of staff that you feel have made a special difference to their patients, colleagues or improved our ways of working.

Each and every day our staff deliver outstanding patient care and go that extra mile to ensure our patients and their families receive the optimum in patient care - and we really want you to tell us about them!

Remember, we are not just looking to celebrate the tremendous efforts of our staff, we are also looking for services that staff have moulded to patients' needs or projects that have transformed the way they work.

This year's categories are: Better Care; Better Health; Better Value; Better Workplace: Global Citizenship; Nursing; and Volunteer.

To nominate visit, [www.nhsggc.scot/excellenceawards](http://www.nhsggc.scot/excellenceawards). The closing date for entries is Sunday 12 February 2023.

### Staff Engagement Session: Sustainability and Value Programme

The Financial Improvement Programme (FIP) is getting a makeover for 2023, and will soon become the Sustainability and Value Programme. Join Paul McKenna, Head of Financial Improvement to learn more about the re-launch, ask any questions you have about financial sustainability and improvement and find out how you and your team can get involved in the programme.

This interactive session will last one hour. Please use the MS Teams links below to register:

- 30 January 2023, 12pm - 1pm: [Webinar registration | Microsoft Teams](#)



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This is a way you can formally raise concerns about an issue that is in the public interest, such as patient safety or suspected malpractice. You can find out more information about the whistleblowing process by visiting National Whistleblowing Standards | INWO ([spsso.org.uk](http://spsso.org.uk)). To submit a formal whistleblowing concern, please email [ggc.whistleblowing@ggc.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:ggc.whistleblowing@ggc.scot.nhs.uk).

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