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This International Nurses Day (12 May 2025), we are celebrating and thanking our nurses, not only for the incredible contributions they make every day, but also for how they've helped shape the future of NHSGGC care.



Just last week, our Board approved *Leading the Way 2025–2029*, our innovative nursing and midwifery strategy. It's the result of close collaboration among nurses, midwives, healthcare support workers, and students. Now, as part of our International Nurses Day events, we're bringing this vision to life with our nursing teams as we begin working together to design how it will be implemented in our daily practice.

Our strategy's vision is clear: "All individuals, families, and their carers will experience high-quality, compassionate care, through the transformation of our workforce while ensuring that our staff are respected, valued, and nurtured."

We're celebrating *Leading the Way 2025–2029* alongside the amazing achievements and daily dedication of our nurses across hospital wards and sites

today (Monday 12 May 2025). The celebrations will continue tomorrow with a special staff event hosted by NHSGGC at Glasgow's City Chambers.

Director of Nursing and Midwifery, Professor Angela Wallace said: "I'm excited to be working together with our nurses to implement *Leading the Way* in our everyday work and to witness the positive impact it will have.

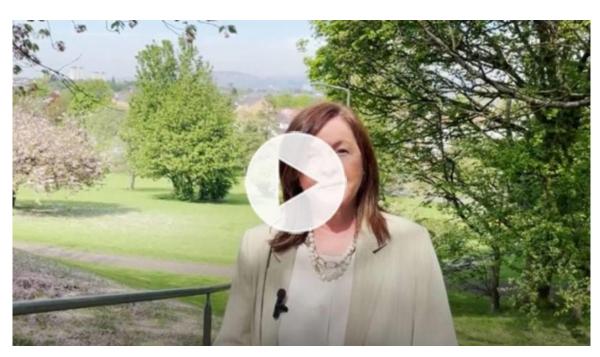
"Tomorrow's event at Glasgow City Chambers will bring our strategic pillars to life, including the importance of nurses *caring for each other* – a key theme for this year's International Nurses Day. We'll also hear from guest speaker Tim Keogh, author of *A Kind Life*, who will share his insights on kindness, wellbeing, and positive leadership.

"Of course, we understand that not all nurses will be able to attend, so we'll be recording the sessions to share the positive messages and direction of travel with everyone afterward.

"This International Nurses Day, I want to share an important message: Our nurses make up over 43% of the NHSGGC workforce, and the impact they have on our health service is immense. We are incredibly grateful for everything they do, and we encourage them to take today as a moment to reflect on what we've achieved this year – and the exciting times ahead.

"Thank you to all our nurses who dedicate themselves every day to caring for our patients and supporting their colleagues. We truly value everything you do."

You can download *Leading the Way 2025–2029* here.



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