

Core brief

Daily update

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Use of face coverings on our sites

ALL staff are reminded of the need to wear a face covering while on shift. There is an increasing number of staff not doing so and we would encourage you to ensure you have the right protection.

All staff in hospitals and care homes who interact with patients or residents are required to wear a medical face mask throughout their shift including when away from patients, unless unable to wear one for medical reasons. While with patients giving direct general care, staff should wear a fluid resistant surgical mask (FRSM), apron and gloves and undertake a risk assessment to determine if eye protection is required. Masks can be removed during meal breaks when eating/drinking, but physical distancing must be adhered to. Staff should not wear their own face coverings when on duty.

If a mask is removed for any reason, it should be disposed of in the correct waste bin, hand hygiene undertaken and another mask put on.

Staff in non-clinical areas and offices must wear a face covering in common areas like stairwells, reception areas and corridors. Compliance with hand hygiene and social distancing continue to be critical in all settings at all times.

It is extremely important for us all to do everything we can to respect each other's personal space and to keep two metres apart wherever possible, particularly in areas like rest rooms, kitchens and café areas.

We are urging staff to observe the [social distancing guidance](#) at all times. By following the guidance we can ensure that we don't put ourselves and others at risk. Please do all you can to support your colleagues and keep yourself safe.

Please ensure you have visibility of the [risk assessment](#) for your area of work and are aware of the control measures in place to protect you, your colleagues, patients and visitors.

For information on correct use of PPE, including how to dispose of it safely, see our [PPE Donning & Doffing Poster](#).

New nurses in the spotlight

Today we meeting another couple of nurses out of the 536 nurses and midwives who recently qualified.

[Leanne McCrystal](#), has qualified as a mental health nurse, and is based in the Kershaw Unit at Gartnavel Royal Hospital.

[Michelle Fantin](#), is a staff nurse, and has taken up post in Ward 2 at Lightburn Hospital.

Both Leanne and Michelle qualified from the University of the West of Scotland and we would like to wish them the best of luck.



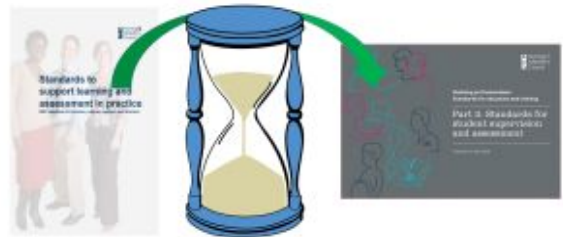
Leanne McCrystal



Michelle Fantin

For those who support student nurses – It's TIME to TRANSITION to the new NMC roles

In 2018 the NMC published new [standards for student supervision and assessment](#) which outline the new roles of practice supervisor and practice assessor. These replaced the role of mentor, sign off mentor and practice teacher. Since 1 September 2020 all students on placements within NHS GGC require to have a nominated practice supervisor and a nominated practice assessor.



A [transition checklist](#) has been developed to help mentors, sign off mentors and practice teachers map their current knowledge, skills and experience to the new roles. This document must be completed before supporting students in practice.

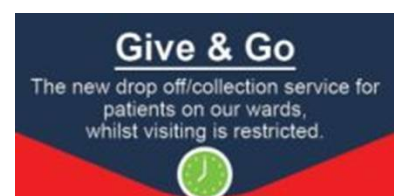
Visit our Future Nurse and Midwife [website](#) for further information on the transition process and the new NMC standards which also contains a link to our short audio [podcasts](#).

[Contact](#) the Practice Education team (PEFs and CHEFs) who would be delighted to answer any queries or offer support around this.

Please also follow us on twitter - [@NHSGGCPEFs](#).

Give & Go

Staff are reminded when promoting the Give & Go service to patients and relatives that this service is a week-day service, from 8.30am – 3.30pm at QEUH, RAH and the Beatson, and 12noon – 5pm at GRI.



This service is solely manned by volunteers, with a very limited number of volunteers willing to come in at weekends for emergencies.

Staff should also remind patients and relatives that when they are dropping off one small bag or collecting laundry only one person should attend the hospital to hand in belongings and they should wear a face covering, unless they are exempt.

For more information on the Give & Go service, please visit: www.nhsggc.org.uk/covid19/giveandgo

MBE award for Asgher Mohammed

Congratulations to Asgher Mohammed, Managing Director, Abbey Chemist, Paisley and Founder, Scottish Sadaqah Trust who has been awarded an MBE for services to Pharmacy and charity.

Asgher has been a leading light in community pharmacy over the years delivering an exceptionally high standard of care to patients, a large number of which are from the homeless population.

Everything he does and instils in his teams is directed at ensuring their patients get the exact treatment and care that is needed and when he is unable to deliver that he ensures that patients are signposted into other services critical to their needs.



Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at: www.nhsggc.org.uk/covid19. If you have any questions about the current situation please check the [FAQs](#) first. If you have any further questions, please email: staff.covid19@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

Staff are reminded to make sure their [personal contact details are up to date on eESS](#).

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