

# Core brief

**Daily update**  
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**Why iMatter?**  
Because your voice matters

If you work in the Chief Executive's Office, Acute SMT, HR & OD, Corporate Communications and Public Engagement, Public Health, Specialist Children's Services, Oral Health or East Dunbartonshire HSCP - the survey officially opens in...

**Open now!**

The survey will be open for three weeks to allow everyone an opportunity to take part.  
For further information, visit [HR Connect](#) or email us at: [imatter@ggc.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:imatter@ggc.scot.nhs.uk)

## iMatter 2022 – every voice matters

iMatter makes a positive difference to our workplace and to patient care. This is a great opportunity for colleague to share views and influence positive change.

**Cohort One** iMatter survey launches today, 16 May, with **Cohort Two** and **Three** coming soon. See below for details and timescales

Cohort One	Cohort Two	Cohort Three
<b>Survey now live</b>	<b>Survey coming 30 May</b>	<b>Survey coming 13 June</b>
Chief Executives Office Acute SMT Human Resources & Organisational Development Corporate Communications and Public Engagement Public Health Specialist Children's Services Oral Health East Dunbartonshire HSCP	Women & Children's South Sector Board Nurse Directorate West Dunbartonshire HSCP Diagnostics Regional Services eHealth North Sector	Estates and Facilities Glasgow City HSCP Renfrewshire HSCP Finance Clyde Sector Board Medical Directorate Board Admin Inverclyde HSCP Out of Hours East Renfrewshire HSCP

This is an excellent opportunity for you to feedback regarding your employee experience at NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, designed to help continuously improve our overall staff experience.

Please be assured that your responses are anonymous, all feedback received will be treated in strictest confidence. Results and general themes will be communicated and robust action plans will be developed throughout June to September.

Please share your views, and help to continuously build a Better workplace.

### **LFD Testing – Updated Guidance**

Following our recent Core Brief where we shared circular DL (2022) 12, advising of a move from the COVID-19 pandemic towards an endemic state and a lower threat level, further clarity on the testing of staff has been provided. The guidance going forward is that only staff who work with patients and service users in face-to-face settings should keep using LFD kits to test twice weekly and report results through the [online portal](#). The continuation of this advice will ensure we continue to keep our colleagues and patients safe.

In terms of social care, the following roles would be considered service user face-to-face roles:

- Members of staff or volunteers who are regularly in a social care setting (for example, a care home or adult day care centre).
- This includes cleaners, catering, and support staff but does not include office-based staff members who do not enter these settings.
- In the context of an individual's own home (including sheltered or very sheltered housing), staff includes those who provide care or support to the individual such as those staff working in care at home and personal assistants but not for example maintenance staff.

Health and social care staff who do not work in face-to-face settings with patients and service users are advised to follow the [Stay at Home](#) guidance for the general population. You can read the latest guidance [here](#). If you need additional LFD kits, please contact your line manager. Guidance for carrying out tests can be found via the link [Lateral Flow Testing \(LFT\) - Information for staff - NHSGGC](#)

### **NHSGGC Flying Start Portal – Support Sessions – NEW DATES**

Flying Start NHS® is the national development programme that the Scottish Government and NHSGGC requires all registered nurses, midwives and allied health professionals (AHPs) to complete, in their first year in practice. Each newly qualified practitioner (NQP) within NHSGGC, should be afforded 24 hours protected learning time away from the workplace to support completion of the [Flying Start NHS® programme](#) within the first year.

To support all NQPs, whether you are just commencing the programme, are working towards or nearing completion of this, the Practice Education team will be hosting further Flying Start Support Sessions on MS Teams. These sessions provide peer support and discussion and highlight other relevant information, which you will find helpful to clarify Flying Start NHS® programme requirements.

Book in to attend a session by clicking [here](#).

## Lateral Flow Tests - available to staff who work with patients and service users in face-to-face settings

Speak to your line manager about where to collect your test kit, then:



**Register**  
your kit



**Test**  
twice per week



**Record**  
your results

**Keep your colleagues and patients safe from COVID-19**

**Help stop the spread!**

Visit: [www.nhsggc.scot/staff-recruitment/lft-staff](http://www.nhsggc.scot/staff-recruitment/lft-staff)

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

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