

# Core brief

**Daily update**  
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## **Recognising Workplace Learning: Band 5 nurses and midwives**

New and exciting opportunity for all Band 5 nursing and midwifery staff within NHSGGC. Build a portfolio of evidence that demonstrates the value of your knowledge, skills and experience as a Level 5 practitioner within your specific area of practice.

- Starting 1 September
- Recognition of the learning you are undertaking in your current role
- Plan and evidence your career development

- Prepare for career progression
- Funding is available to earn 20 SCQF Level 9 credits for your portfolio, with the option to continue with additional modules toward a specialist graduate certificate.

Our goal is to empower Band 5 nurses and midwives to recognise and evidence the value of their current skills, to take charge of their career development, and prepare for future roles in specialist, leadership, or advanced practice.

You can find out more about Recognising Workplace Learning: Band 5 Nurses and Midwives by visiting the [Recognising Workplace Learning: Band 5](#) page on Staffnet.

You can register [here](#) to be kept up to date with news, details of support sessions and ongoing developments.

If you have further questions please email:

[ggc.practicedevelopment.enquiries@nhs.scot](mailto:ggc.practicedevelopment.enquiries@nhs.scot) with the subject line 'Recognising Workplace Learning: Band 5' for more information.

## Looking after yourself and others – session 26 August

Remember times when you looked after yourself better? You've done it before, but when we're stressed it's easy to forget about! But you can get back to it, even if you feel like you don't have the time or energy.



Join a 'Looking after yourself and others' session to remind yourself about self-care and stress management and learn simple, yet effective techniques to boost yours and others wellbeing. Imagine how great it will feel to find out what one simple change could make a big difference to your wellbeing!

The Peer Support team are delivering an interactive 45-minute live online session on **Tuesday 26 August 2025 at 10.00am**, so sign up and learn about good self-care!

**[Book your spot now](#)**

For those who need a bit more time to plan diaries to attend, please see [our website](#) for further training dates/sessions available.

## Microbiology User Survey

The NHSGGC Microbiology service is committed to continual improvement, ensuring it meets the needs of our users and the patients we support. To help us do this, we are inviting all service users to complete a short, anonymised user survey.

Your feedback will help us understand what is working well, highlight areas for improvement, and guide changes to our testing, reporting, and support processes. The information collected will be reviewed carefully and used to shape a service that is more efficient, responsive, and aligned with your needs.

NHSGGC Clinical Microbiology survey link:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/MhxhfEbt0E> or scan the QR code above.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete this survey and helping us shape a better service.



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