



Daily update
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The Forum meets on a quarterly basis with representation from all local Health and Safety Forums. It aims to update on areas of performance, risk, and good practice, which we all have a responsibility to share and improve on.

The Forum is co-chaired by Natalie Smith, Interim Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development, and Andrew McCready, Staff Side Lead - Health and Safety.



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The Forum also presents the opportunity for each of the local Health and Safety Committees across NHSGGC and Staffside Safety Representatives to speak for their areas while providing updates on their key issues, share learning and work collaboratively to make our workplaces safer.

The latest meeting of the Forum took place on Wednesday 20 May 2026. Key highlights reported at the meeting included:

Improvement in ligature reduction

The Ligature Reduction Programme has removed 1,336 ligature points from our high-risk Mental Health Inpatient Wards to date. This means that access has been removed for means for suicide. As part of the programme of work, reduced ligature products have been installed in patient areas. There have been four confirmed suicide incidents in wards fitted with reduced ligature products, where the products have worked as designed, saving lives.

The GGC292: Ligature Awareness Learn-Pro Module has been completed by 11,403 staff across NHSGG&C. This is positive, however, there remains a need to improve compliance in high-risk areas. You can find this [on LearnPro](#) – search 'GGC292'.

Work is due to commence summer 2026 to remove ligature points from toilets in emergency departments across NHSGGC. This will remove access to means for suicide from a high-risk area within the Acute service.

Statutory mandatory training update

On Monday 2 March we moved to the Once for Scotland (OFS) set of Core Statutory Mandatory Training Modules. This is a move to 10 modules for NHSGGC. The national compliance target for core learning is set at 90% which is in line with the pre-March NHSGGC target.

Current compliance across 7 modules is sitting **below 90%**. Our focus must remain on ensuring staff are compliant across all core modules and that training is completed prior to module expiry.

All staff are reminded to...

- Complete the new Fraud Awareness module. All staff are required to complete this module, and all Boards are required to be 90% compliant by September 2026.
- Ensure that their current payroll number is attached to their account to ensure consistency of compliance reporting.

Directors and senior managers are asked to...

- ensure protected learning time arrangements are in place for staff to complete core statutory and mandatory modules in work time. This is the requirement under the national Agenda for Change Protecting Learning Time agreement - PCS(AFC)2024/01.

Remember, support is available from the Learning and Education Support Team.

[NHS Service Now Portal](#) – Click on the L&E Icon and fill in the relevant fields. You will receive an acknowledgement which will include a ticket number for your query. [How to raise a query](#) through NHS Service Now Portal. Or you can call us on 0141 278 2700 Option 3.

SHaW Task Calendar compliance

Analysis of the Task Calendar usage for 2025/26 full year compared to the start of 2026/27 was shared the members of the forum. The Head of Health and Safety explained the difference in the compliance ranges and the causal factors for the significant drop in performance.

In order to achieve the target score of 90% for users and the completion of the tasks, the Head of Health and Safety now shares a weekly update of the new Task Calendar tracker with the Deputy Chief Executive/Chief Operating Officer, Acute Directors, HSCP Chief Officers and the Health and Safety Team.

Progress will be visible for all to cascade with their respective teams, and the Health and Safety Team aligned to those areas will continue to support.

Fire safety

Staff are reminded to follow safe charging practices when using personal electrical devices on site. Only manufacturer-approved chargers should be used, and devices must not be left unattended while charging due to the risk of overheating or fire. E-cigarettes remain prohibited within all NHS buildings and should only be used in designated outdoor

areas, as vapour can activate fire alarms. NHSGGC's patient and visitor fire safety video is a useful resource to refresh your memory:



There has also been an increase in fire alarm activations without a corresponding DATIX report. It is essential that all fire alarm activations are recorded on DATIX, with clear detail provided, to support investigation, identify trends, and prevent recurrence. All departments are reminded to [complete a DATIX report](#) following every activation.

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

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