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Cyber Security Scotland Week 26 February - 3 March

To mark Cyber Security Scotland week, which starts today (26 February – 3 March) we will be posting bytesize cyber tips on <u>Staffnet</u> to help keep you safe online. Our first bytesize tip is on Social Media.

Use of syringes for medication administration in acute services

The use of CareTip oral syringes for the administration of oral liquid medication that requires administration via syringe is now in place across all NHSGGC acute services.

There are identified differences in practice when administering liquid medication using a syringe via enteral and oral routes. This significantly increases the clinical risk whereby a medicine prescribed for the enteral or oral route is inadvertently administered into the systemic circulation via a vascular access device.

EnFit enteral single use syringes are used only when administering feed, fluids or medication with enteral feeding devices.

Clear syringes **MUST NOT** be used for the administration of liquid medication via the oral or enteral route.

All clinical areas will receive a poster that differentiates between the CareTip and EnFit syringe and provides PECOS order codes for syringes and bottle adaptors. Please contact Practice Development <u>ffnpracticedev@ggc.scot.nhs.uk</u> if your clinical area does not have a copy.

All clinical areas must order a supply of CareTip syringes alongside the accompanying universal bottle adaptors from PECOS for the administration of oral liquid medication via syringe. As both CareTip and EnFit syringes are the same colour, they must be stored separately and clearly labelled to avoid confusion.



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