



Daily update
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New Home Energy Crisis Response Service

NHSGGC has launched a Home Energy Crisis Response Service for patients in Acute and mental health care.

Delivered by Money Matters, the new service will target patients who need help with home energy in order to return home safely from a hospital stay without the worry of the additional health consequences of living in a cold, damp home.

Utilising a combination of onsite hospital engagement and remote assistance, the service will tackle energy emergencies, advocate on behalf of patients with energy providers and help with access to external home energy emergency funds.

A person is eligible if they:

- are a patient or carer accessing or receiving care from an NHSGCC hospital
- have any immediate or emergency need relating to meeting home energy costs
- are experiencing poverty/financial difficulties.

Referrals to the Home Energy Crisis Response Service can be made by contacting NHSGGC's [Support & Information Service](#) and [Family Support & Information Service](#).

As part of this service, a Home Energy adviser is based at various hospital sites throughout the week, however the service is available Monday–Friday across all NHSGGC hospitals.

For more information, please visit the Home Energy section on our [Money Worries](#) web page.

World Autism Acceptance Week 27 March – 2 April 2023

During World Autism Acceptance Week, NHSGGC is celebrating our Autistic staff. Every unique perspective adds to the strength and diversity of our organisation.

[The Strengths and Abilities of Autistic People in the Workplace - PubMed \(nih.gov\)](#)

NHSGGC has the [Workplace Adjustment Passport - NHSGGC](#) to support employees with a diversity to work to their strengths.

The Staff Disability Forum is available to staff for staff engagement and support. If you would like to join the mailing list, please email ggc.staffdisabilityforum@ggc.scot.nhs.uk.

Get involved in developing an App for Wheeze

Are you a parent or carer for a child with wheeze?

Wheeze is a whistling sound from the chest which is mainly heard on breathing out and can be worse when your child has a cough, cold or chest infection.

A group of staff based at the Royal Hospital for Children in Glasgow are developing an App that could help manage the health of children with wheeze and they want your help.

If you are a parent or carer or look after someone under 16 years of age with wheeze, help us by filling in a short questionnaire and tell us what you think should be included in the App and what is important to you -

<https://link.webpolsurveys.com/S/0C8553D73D6B11C2>

All responses will be anonymous, but we will be looking for interested people to share their details if they want to be more involved later on.

It would be great to hear from you by Friday 7 April 2023, but if you need more time please get in touch with the team. Similarly, if you have any issues accessing the form, please get in touch with the PEPI team at: public.involvement@ggc.scot.nhs.uk.

Child Protection Level 3 – For Midwives

Training sessions will be delivered remotely via MS Teams and can be booked by accessing the online catalogue via eESS <https://eess.mhs.scot.nhs.uk> and clicking on **GGC PP MIDWIVES ONLY Child Protection Level 3**

Please note: If you require support to access or update your eESS account please use the link https://nhsnss.service-now.com/ggc_hr, or telephone 0141 278 2700 (Option 5), or view the guidance on StaffNet.

Thursday 6 April 2pm – 4pm

Friday 21 April 10am – 12noon

Friday 28 April 10am – 12noon

Important Information

All participants will require access to a digital device e.g. laptop or phone to join the training session. An MS Teams link will be sent directly to you one week prior to the session.

*Please ensure that your email address and contact details on eESS are up-to-date in order that the link can be sent.

First Glasgow price increase

First Glasgow will be increasing the price of their bus tickets from 2nd April 2023. More information is available from [First Glasgow](#). However, staff still have the opportunity to purchase an annual ticket at the current price for tickets starting from 1st May 2023.

Applications must be received by Travel Plan Office by Monday 17th April. More information is available from the [Travel Plan Office](#).

For more information on active and sustainable travel, please visit [Travel Plan Office](#) or email travelpo@ggc.scot.nhs.uk



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

Are your contact details up-to-date? [Click here](#) to check