

Core brief

Daily update
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Hospital & Community Referral Arrangements June Public Holidays

Due to the public holidays on Thursday 2 and Friday 3 June 2022 there are some changes to Care Home and Social Work Services.

Staff should familiarise themselves with the different arrangements across all six HSCPs. [Click here for more information.](#)



The banner features the text 'Why iMatter? Because your voice matters' in blue and white. Below this, it lists the survey's scope: 'If you work in Women & Childrens, South Sector, Board Nurse Directorate, West Dunbartonshire HSCP, Diagnostics, Regional Services East Renfrewshire HSCP or eHealth - the survey officially opens in...'. A large blue box contains the text 'Open now!'. At the bottom, it states 'The survey will be open for three weeks to allow everyone an opportunity to take part.' and provides contact information: 'For further information, visit HR Connect or email us at: imatter@ggc.scot.nhs.uk'. The banner is decorated with several circular icons of diverse healthcare professionals.

Matter 2022 – every voice matters

Thank you to everyone who has already taken the time to complete the **iMatter** survey so far. iMatter makes a positive difference to our workplace and to patient care. This is a great opportunity for colleagues to share views and influence positive change.

The iMatter survey is underway for **Cohort One**, with a positive **54%** completion rate so far, and **Cohort Two** is live from today (30th May). Teams in **Cohort Three** start the survey soon. See below for details and timescales:

Cohort One	Cohort Two	Cohort Three
54% response rate so far	**SURVEY LIVE TODAY**	Survey coming 13th June
Chief Executives Office Acute SMT Human Resources & Organisational Development Communications and Public Engagement Public Health Specialist Children's Services Oral Health East Dunbartonshire HSCP	Women & Childrens 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, which is 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.

Dementia Awareness Week by Christine Steel, AHP Dementia Consultant

Dementia Awareness Week 2022 (Monday 30 May to Sunday 5 June) is an opportunity to support the 90,000 people living with dementia in Scotland and their families and carers. The theme for this year's Dementia Awareness Week is **'Prevent, Care, Cure'** and it allows us an opportunity to reflect on our own brain health, as well as the brain health of people who access our services.



When considering **prevention** - we now understand a great deal more about what impacts our brain health than we did even ten years ago. No matter how old we are, it is vital we keep on stimulating our brains - keeping them fuelled and healthy.

In previous years, we hosted "Lap the Gart" as part of Dementia Awareness Week to encourage staff to support their own brain health by keeping active and maintaining social connections. This year I would encourage you all to take a short quiz to build your personal Brain Health Plan and make your Brain Health Pledge.

[Brain Health Quiz](#)
[Brain Health Pledge | Brain Health](#)

Visit [Hot Topics on StaffNet](#) for some simple steps you can take to promote brain health!

NHSGGC teams sanitising sustainably

A scheme designed to reduce the use of single use plastic has been rolled out to the Institute of Neurological Sciences (INS) at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital campus.

NHSGGC has been working with supplier Redeem Exchange, to collect, wash and refill plastic hand sanitiser bottles across a number of



facilities. The project works to help reduce single-use plastic waste, reducing waste sent to landfill and also save money, with bottles being returned, washed, refilled and reused up to 50 times each.

INS Operational Manager, Sam Atkinson said: "Since COP26, INS & Spinal Injuries teams have been exploring new ways to improve our record on sustainability. Redeem Exchange is the first pilot we have launched that aims to reduce plastic waste, in this instance, of empty hand sanitiser bottles. The first collection was successful with collection boxes filled to the brim of empty hand sanitizer bottles, all ready to be recycled up to 50 times."

The re-use project has been deployed at Royal Alexandra Hospital, Inverclyde Royal Hospital and the Greenock Health and Care Centre.

Kirsten Allan, Sustainability Officer, said: "It was great to get out on site and visit the INS for their first Redeem Exchange collection this week, where we must have easily picked up around 250 sanitiser bottles over the course of only one month. Our thanks go to all the staff involved in spreading the message, helping us reduce our carbon footprint and working towards improve our waste management and environmental performance."

GRI museum opening

Glasgow Royal Infirmary's extraordinary heritage will be celebrated with the opening of a new museum.

The Friends of Glasgow Royal Infirmary Museum will open to the public on Tuesday 31 May and will showcase the remarkable people whose landmark achievements have revolutionised medical and nursing practice worldwide.

Based at the site's 1915 Miller Building, visitors will get the chance to experience the rich history of Glasgow's oldest hospital, with the opportunity to learn about the world's first X ray department, Rebecca Strong and William Macewen who developed a block teaching model for nurse training, O.H Mavor, aka James Bridie, doctor and co-founder of the Citizens Theatre, and much, much more.

The Friends of GRI charity have also created green spaces at the hospital as well as introducing bee hives to promote sustainability.

Visitors are welcome on 31 May between 10am and 6pm. The museum will be a nationally significant exhibition for Scottish Medicine and Nursing and will be open throughout the month of June. For further information about the museum's opening hours, please visit the website: <https://www.friendsofgri.org>

Follow on the museum on Twitter and Instagram @friendsofgri.

Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at: 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.

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

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