

Core brief

Daily update
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The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

In a previous [Core Brief](#) we provided information on the Scottish Government's decision to provide an additional day of annual leave to help commemorate and mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

We can now advise that the Scottish Government has determined that rather than an additional day of annual leave to be taken on a day of your choosing, Friday 3 June 2022 has now been designated as a public holiday.

The [attached circular](#) provides clarity for those staff who are required to work on the public holiday.

West of Scotland Rape and Sexual Assault Service – for staff

From 1 April 2022, The Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Act 2021 allows victims of sexual offences to request a Forensic Medical Examination (FME) by self-referring within seven days of the assault.

For colleagues who are supporting someone who has been sexually assaulted, Sexual Assault Response Coordination Service (SARCS) will still continue to provide clinical care for up to seven days after the assault. These services can continue to be accessed with the support of the police.

For some victims, they may choose to self-refer and be able to access clinical care and FME without any police involvement. If they are unsure about whether they want to tell the police in the future, evidence can be collected and stored which will give them more time to consider their decision. This service is available for those aged 16 and upwards.

In line with the new legislation, victims of sexual assault are able to attend any SARC within the West of Scotland. This has included the introduction of two new facilities – The Willows in Ayrshire and The Dunnock Suite in Lanarkshire.

Work is currently ongoing in Glasgow for two new suites for Archway Glasgow.

More Information:

To contact Archway Glasgow directly for advice, please phone: 01412118175. Archway is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

If you are supporting someone who wishes to self-refer, please advise them to visit: www.nhsinform.scot/SARCS.

They can also visit our West of Scotland Rape and Sexual Assault Service portal: <https://nhswossarc.scot/> to find out more about our services in Lanarkshire, Ayrshire and Dumfries and Galloway.

Please note that [Rape Crisis Scotland](#) supports people who have been raped or sexually assaulted any time after the assault.

Complexity and Adversity Network applications now open!

Are you a community nurse or midwife working in primary care?

Do you work with people in some of Scotland's most deprived communities?

The Complexity and Adversity Network (CAN) is a free programme of 10 online workshops each combining a seminar with an expert speaker, followed by a discussion group facilitated by a clinician with psychodynamic expertise. These workshops explore relational psychodynamic ideas, and how they can be used to help understand and improve responses to people struggling with early multimorbidity, substance misuse, trauma, homelessness, and exclusion.

The workshops are for any community nurse or midwife working in primary care and predominantly with people living in areas of significant deprivation. This could include district nurses, primary care mental health nurses, health visitors, midwives, homeless access/outreach nurses, general practice nurses, care home nurses, prison nurses and many others.

Find out how to apply by visiting our website: <https://bit.ly/38qCbyl>

Email Lisa Lyte for more information about the programme: CAN@qnis.org.uk

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