

Core brief

Daily update
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Person Centred Visiting – reminders

Person Centred Visiting

In light of recent ARHA guidance to cease asymptomatic testing from 30 September, Scottish Government hospital visiting guidance has recently been updated. NHSGGC guidance has been refreshed to reflect these changes. These changes mean that:

In line with recent guidance to cease asymptomatic testing from 30 September:

- You no longer need to encourage visitors to take an LFD test (they should still not visit if they are unwell)
- Please remove the interim ward door visiting poster (pictured right).

As a reminder, all NHSGGC care settings (inpatient, front door, outpatients, and patients who are immunosuppressed) have a person centred approach to family support in place. In particular, this means that:

- There are no set visiting times
- Family support is welcome throughout the day – including mealtimes
- If an area is overcrowded, or a patient's privacy or dignity is likely to be compromised, please ask family members to temporarily step outside.

For further information and guidance, please visit the [Person Centred Visiting webpages](#).

Supporting Virtual Visits

Virtual visits provide a lifeline for patients when for example wards are closed due to outbreaks, or other situations where family are unable to come to the ward and is an important part of our person centred approach to visiting. Further information is available on the Virtual Visiting [webpage](#).

In the coming weeks Facetime, Skype and Zoom will be removed from all iPads and replaced by NHS Near Me.

Staff will therefore need an individual NHS Near Me/Attend Anywhere Account to facilitate these calls. If you require a Near Me account, please log a request with eHealth using the eHelp icon on your desktop.



To avoid the risk of an iPad being taken off the network due to lack of use, you should have a process in place to ensure your iPad(s) are turned on at least once every two months.



HNC in Occupational Therapy Support – open for applications

As part of the ongoing investment in the learning and development of our AHP Healthcare Support Workers (HCSWs) and to support career pathways and transforming roles, the Director of Allied Health Professions and the AHP Education Fund Group are delighted to announce that applications are now **open** for a **funded place on the HNC Occupational Therapy Support Course**, commencing early 2023. Applications close on Monday 5 December at 9:00am.

The course is open to all AHP HCSW who support Occupational Therapy in any aspect of their role.

All information can be found here: [HNC OT Support - Application Pack](#), including details on an opportunity to join an information session with course tutors next week. The session will be recorded and made available to colleagues.

The application pack can also be requested from the AHP Practice Education Team:
ggc.ginhahpepl@nhs.scot

Post Natal Contraception Animation

We are pleased to be able to share the NHSGGC and NHS Lothian **short two minute [Post Natal Contraception Animation](#)** focusing on contraception in relation to the post pregnancy period.

We know that fertility can return as early as 21 days following delivery. Also an inter-pregnancy interval of less than 12 months is associated with an increased risk of pre-term birth and low birth weight.

In NHSGGC, one in five who present at the abortion service, had been pregnant within the past year.

As well as being incorporated into routine antenatal care, this animation is ideal for use in other areas including primary care, perinatal mental health and medical specialties such as cardiology.

This animation has been translated into [Polish](#) and [Urdu](#), with further languages to follow and is available on the [Sandyford website](#) and NHS Inform.

End of life care education and training

[Learnpro module 053 End of Life Care](#) has been updated. Created to support staff to feel more confident in caring for patients at end of life through embedding [GGC GAEL \(Guidance at End of Life\)](#) into clinical practice.

Staff Disability Forum remote drop in session, all welcome

Following discussion at the Staff Disability Forum, we are offering a regular informal drop in session on the second Tuesday of every month.





This will be held on Teams between 6:30pm and 7:30pm.

The first session will be on Tuesday 8 of November, [Click here to join the meeting](#).

For enquiries, email ggc.staffdisabilityforum@ggc.scot.nhs.uk.

**If something isn't right, talk to...
Management and Peer Support**



Managers and Leaders	Confidential Contacts	HR Support and Advice Unit	Report via Datix
<p>If you have an issue, your line manager is there to support you. Please speak to your immediate line manager or another member of the management team, who will be able to support you.</p> 	<p>Our team of confidential contacts will listen to your concerns and help you to determine the best course of action to resolve the issue and escalate your concerns.</p> 	<p>The unit is there to support all staff. Call 0141 278 2700 Monday to Friday from 9am - 5pm. You can also raise a query through the self-service portal at https://nhsnss.service-now.com/ggc_hr</p> 	<p>It is vital that we all play a role to report all incidents and near misses no matter how small we think they might be. Visit: http://datix.xggc.scot.nhs.uk/datix/live/index.php</p> 

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 visit the [HR Self Service Portal](#).

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

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