

Core brief

Daily update

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Carers Week - Carers in the workforce

We are continuing to celebrate Carers Week – check out the NHSGGC [Carers Facebook Page](#) and [Twitter account](#) to see what's going on!

As part of the theme of “Making Caring Visible and Valued” we wanted to highlight the number of [people in our workforce who are also carers](#) in their personal lives. For many staff, the current crisis has not only had a massive impact on the way they work, but they may have also taken on more responsibility at home to help family and friends who need extra support.

Anyone who thinks they might be a carer and is looking for some support can call 0141 353 6504 to find out about their local services. You can also check out [HR Connect](#) for advice.

If you work with someone who you think is a carer, check in with them, let them know they are not alone! You can also encourage them to link in with local services for support.

We also have dedicated information for carers on our COVID Hub including advice for Carers Allowance, PPE and vaccinations for carers. You can find it in the [carers section of the COVID Hub](#).

If you have any questions please email jennifer.watt@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

Child Safety Week

This week is Child Safety week and the team at Paediatric Major Trauma based at the Royal Hospital for Children have taken to Twitter to highlight issues including, Road Safety, Magnet and Battery Ingestion, wearing Bike/Scooter Helmets, Burns Prevention and being Safe on the Water, particularly as the weather heats up.

With the help of the Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity and the Play Team the team are running two colouring competitions featuring characters wearing their helmets, with a range of prizes. They also have a wordsearch competition running all week.

The team will have a stall in the Children's Atrium on Thursday and Friday which will display information and resources regarding accident prevention and child safety, as well as a few freebies to give away.

You can follow the team on Twitter @nhsggcpaedsMTC

Would you or a family member like to be part of a study comparing COVID-19 vaccines when used as third dose?

We are looking for volunteers to take part in a study looking at the use of different COVID-19 vaccines for giving a third dose. Participants will receive a third 'booster' COVID-19 vaccine to help inform scientists from around the world and the experts behind the UK's COVID-19 vaccination programme on how effective a booster of each vaccine is in protecting the individual from the virus.

This study is being run by NHS Glasgow Clinical Research Facility at the QEUH, and is sponsored by University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust.

The study is especially interested in recruiting people who received the AZ vaccine between December 2020 and February 2021 and people who are aged 70 years or older.

Participants will be reimbursed up to £180 - £270 for their time, inconvenience and travel (depending on what group they are enrolled in). The total study participation time is up to one year.

More information can be found on the official study website at: www.covboost.org.uk where potential participants can also complete the pre-screening questionnaire to see if they are eligible.

If you would like any further information regarding the study, please contact the study on: email: covidresearch@ggc.scot.nhs.uk or tel: 0141 232 7600.

NHS Credit Union

It has been brought to our attention that financial organisation 'Salad Money' has been claiming an affiliation with NHS Credit Unions in their advertising. This company is targeting NHS workers claiming to 'provide small, affordable loans' but are doing so at a rate of 69.9% APR.

Please be aware that Salad Money **is in no way affiliated with NHSCU.**

Your NHS Credit Union has been helping NHS workers avoid payday lenders & worse for over 21 YEARS. The team assess every loan application on a member to member basis, meaning we're always putting you FIRST! Don't forget when you borrow with the NHS Credit Union – you are saving at the same time! For additional info on NHSCU please check out the Staff Benefits page.

Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at: www.nhsggc.org.uk/covid19. If you have any questions about the current situation please check the [FAQs](#) first. If you have any further questions, please email: staff.covid19@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