

Core brief

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It's time to nominate in the NHSGGC Excellence Awards

At the beginning of last year when the COVID-19 pandemic struck we had to put a hold on our annual staff Excellence Awards. And in the year and a half that has since passed each and every one of you deserves an award for the hard work and dedication you have all shown to your patients and NHSGGC.



Now is the time for you to nominate your colleagues that you feel have made a special difference to their patients.

We are retaining the same categories to reflect our key aims, which are:

- Better Care
- Better Health
- Better Value
- Better Workplace
- Global Citizenship
- Nursing
- Volunteer

This is a great opportunity for staff, patients and visitors to show their support for the tremendous hard work and dedication of our staff.

Each and every day staff deliver outstanding patient care and go that extra mile to ensure our patients and their families receive the optimum in patient care.

We know fantastic innovations take place across the organisation and we have created the opportunity to recognise the people that go above and beyond to ensure the highest standard of patient centred care.

Nominations are now open so don't delay and get your entry in now, visit:
www.nhsggc.org.uk/excellenceawards

Closing date is 20 August 2021.

NHS Global Citizenship - case study

Following the Core Brief issued on [Thursday 8 July 2021](#) which featured the NHS Scotland Global Citizenship Programme, today we are focusing on one of NHSGGCs case studies featured in NHS Global Citizenship storybook.

Dr Mike Basler reflects on the challenges and rewards of building long-term international partnerships for healthcare training and education between Canniesburn Plastic Surgery Unit and The Specialist Plastic Surgery and Burn Unit of Korle Bu Hospital, Accra Ghana:



“Link formation is a long process. Trust needs to be established. Small goals can lead to larger achievements. It is important to recognise the organisational, cultural and political pressures on both sides. Any change that impoverishes health care workers or the local service as well as an individual’s status never work. Bureaucracy occurs on both sides of any development project. Grant applications can seem like a Gordian knot and developmental priorities can skew the aims and sap the energy from projects. If funding can be found independently it makes things easier. Both sides need to obtain something practical out of the link to promote respect as well as permanence in difficult times.”

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GRI recognised with Golden Hip Award for excellence in patient care

Glasgow Royal Infirmary has been presented with a national award in recognition of its excellence in the care of patients who experience a hip fracture.

The Golden Hip Award is given to the Scottish hospital that meets the highest overall performance measures against a set of standards for hip fracture patients over the course of a year.



Fiona Youngman, from the Highly Specialised Physiotherapist Orthopaedics Team, said: “We were delighted to find out we’d won the award. It is fantastic for the whole multi-disciplinary team to gain recognition for the improvements we have made to deliver a high standard of care for all hip fracture patients. We are motivated to maintain these high standards of care, looking for ways to keep improving.”

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Professor Tara – my patients won’t let it go to my head

Congratulations to Dr Tara Quasim from Glasgow Royal Infirmary, who has just been promoted to Professor. Dr Quasim has been reflecting on the last year and how she has taken her adopted Glasgow to her heart.

Dr Quasim works for both NHSGGC and the University of Glasgow, and has just been promoted to the role of Professor of Anaesthesia, Critical Care and Perioperative Medicine.

Tara, originally from the Midlands, said: “One real positive during COVID – if there can be one – was how the ICU community, in Greater Glasgow and Clyde, Scotland, the UK and the world managed to share learning. It was such an unknown quantity. Despite being incredibly busy, professionals took the time to share knowledge and also still participate in clinical trials to find much needed new treatments.

“I am very proud of how everyone worked; they stepped up to the mark every time.

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