

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde	Paper No. 26/52
Paper Title	Standing Committee Chairs Board Report
Meeting:	NHSGGC Board Meeting
Date of Meeting:	30 April 2026
Purpose of Paper:	For Assurance
Classification:	Board Official
Name of Reporting Committee:	Clinical and Care Governance Committee
Date of Reporting Committee:	5 March 2026
Committee Chairperson:	Dr Paul Ryan, Chair of the Committee

1. Purpose of Paper:

The purpose of this paper is to inform the NHS Board on key items of discussion at the Clinical and Care Governance Committee.

2. Recommendation:

The Board is asked to note the key items of discussion at the recent meeting of the Clinical and Care Governance Committee on Thursday 5 March 2026 as set out below and seek further assurance as required.

3. Key Items of Discussion

3.1 Update from Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS) unannounced Safe Delivery of Care Inspections and Mental Welfare Commission Inspections

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee were provided with an update regarding actions taken in response to unannounced Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS) inspections across Acute Services; on the three remaining outstanding actions arising from HIS inspections undertaken between 2019 and 2025; on the current, active HIS unannounced Safe Delivery of Care inspection at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital Maternity Unit; and an overview of the joint unannounced

HIS/Mental Welfare Commission (MWC) inspection at Skye House in August 2025 and the MWC unannounced visit to Claythorn House in February 2026.

- The Committee were assured by the update that compiled all of these actions into a single tracker.

3.2 Fatal Accident Inquiries Update

- The paper was presented to the Committee for awareness.
- The Committee were provided with an update of all Fatal Accident Inquiries (FAIs) that NHSGGC was currently participating in and an update on the implementation of actions following recommendations and observations set out in FAI Determinations.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.3 Primary Care and Community Care Governance Update

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee were provided with an update on progress and activity within primary care and community care including the current position on Significant Adverse Event Reviews; an update on the Topiramate Pregnancy Prevention Programme; the Cervical Smear National Audit Report; the Coil Training Project Outcome and Scottish Public Services Ombudsman reports
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.4 Acute Services Clinical Governance Report

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee were provided with an update on progress and activity within acute services including the current position on Significant Adverse Event Reviews; work on diabetes safety; the conclusion of the Short Life Working Group on medicines appropriation; and the development of a pre-symptomatic Huntington's Disease pathway.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.5 Assurance Information Framework KPIs – Safety and Quality Programmes

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee received an overview of the 5 KPIs aligned to the Quality and Safety Programmes including inpatient falls and falls with harm.
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- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.6 Significant Adverse Event Reviews (SAER) – Update

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee received an update on SAERs and noted significant improvement in overdue SAERs. They noted the ongoing improvement journey, and the requirement for system-wide actions to reduce unnecessary SAERs
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.7 Healthcare Associated Infection Reporting Template (HAIRT) – including Hand Hygiene Deep Dive

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee were advised that there were no exceptions to report and performance in NHSGGC was within control limits.

- The Committee also received a presentation on hand hygiene which provided an overview of the work that was underway, where improvements had been made and what further improvements could be made
- The Committee were assured by the report and the presentation.

3.8 Patient Experience Report – Quarter 3

- The paper was presented to the Committee for assurance.
- The Committee were advised that a total of 1,568 complaints had been received in Quarter 2 which was an increase of 1% from the previous quarter; 73% were responded to within target timescales although Stage 2 performance remained an area for improvement.
- The person-centred care initiative remained on track and was currently being tested with the aim of full implementation in the spring.
- The Committee were assured by the update.

3.9 Duty of Candour Policy and Procedure

- The paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee were advised that the policy would improve the support, timeliness, quality and consistency of communication when an unexpected or unintended incident occurs and provide clear information to staff on what they should do when they are involved in an incident and the support available to them. The policy and procedure had been reviewed in line with updated Scottish Government guidance and the updated NHSGGC Policy for Managing Significant Adverse Events.
- The Committee were content to approve the policy and procedure.

3.10 Duty of Candour Annual Report Addendums

- The paper was presented to the Committee for endorsement.
- The Committee were advised that each year an annual report was presented to the NHS Board setting out how Duty of Candour had operated during the year with an addendum produced later in the year to provide updated figures and information that were not concluded at the time of the initial report.
- The Committee endorsed the addendums which would be presented to the NHS Board on 30 April 2026.

3.11 Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Act 2019 (HCSSA) Annual Report to Scottish Government

- The paper was presented to the Committee for awareness.
- The Committee were advised that this was the second of the legislated annual reports prior to it proceeding to the NHS Board on 30 April 2026, publication via the website Health & Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Act 2019 - NHSGGC and submission to Scottish Government and the Scottish Patient Safety Commissioner.
- The Committee noted the update.

3.12 Directorate of Research and Innovation Annual Report

- The paper was presented to the Committee for awareness.
- The Committee were advised of the key achievements and activity in 2025 as well as the priorities for research and innovation in 2026, noting that there were 1,000 active studies with over 8,000 participants.
- The Committee noted the report.

3.13 Extract from the Corporate Risk Register

- The paper was presented to the Committee for approval.
- The Committee were advised that all risks had been reviewed with no proposed changes to scores.
- The Committee were content to approve the register.

4. Issues for referral to other Standing Committees or escalation to the NHS Board

There were no issues for referral to other Standing Committees or escalation to the NHS Board.

5. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will take place on Thursday 4 June 2026.