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Welcome to the NHSGGC Staff Bank May Newsletter.
 We hope you will find the content useful, please get in touch with any questions, feedback or suggestions.

Bank Holiday Early Cut Off Pay Dates:



Please note there will be early cut offs and early pay dates.

Date of Shifts Worked	Timesheets <u>MUST</u> be completely signed off by:	Date paid
21st April to 26th April 2023	<u>12pm Midday on Thursday 27th April 2023</u>	Friday 5th May 2023
27th April to 3rd May 2023	<u>12pm Midday on Thursday 4th May 2023</u>	Friday 12th May 2023
15th September to 21st September 2023	<u>12pm Midday on Friday 22nd September 2023</u>	Friday 29th September 2023

Active Staff Walking Challenge 2023

Good news! We are launching our Walking Challenge for 2023! Our virtual walk this year will take place in Occitanie – France.

The walk will take place from Monday 1 - Wednesday 31 May, so get the date in your diary and start setting up your teams (up to five people per team).

Please note, Team leaders should create their teams first before inviting others to join their team. We've titled the challenge "Walk Occitanie". You should be able to see the milestones and details when you login to the website and create a team.

To register [click here](#) - you can join as a new member of staff, or use a log in from existing Active Staff Walking Challenges. Alternatively, download the "Active Staff Challenge App" on the App Store, or Play Store. This is for all NHSGGC/HSCP staff. If you have any enquiries, please contact: walking.challenge@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

Digital Clinical Notes Rollout

The Digital Clinical Notes (DCN) programme, is a multi-professional approach to digitalise clinical documentation onto the TrakCare© platform within NHSGGC, with Nursing the first group to do so.

The system will go live for Early Adopter wards (**Philipshill, Edenhall and Ward 65 within INS QEUH site** from the **18th of April 2023**, and then a supported and staged implementation across adult acute services from Spring 2023.

If you are a Registered Nurse or HCSW and will be taking a shift in **Philipshill, Edenhall and Ward 65 within INS QEUH site**, please complete the following Professional and Technical training: - [Digital Clinical Notes](#) - Professional Aspects (a 12-minute voiced presentation)

And

[Technical Training Sessions](#) -This is completed by either booking into a Live session on Learn pro - guidance attached on how to book your session.

Or by

Watching the Training video (44 minutes) on YouTube by following the links below: -

Link to Video for Registered Nurses - [RN](#)

Link to Video for HCSW's - [HCSW](#)

Both the presentation and video can be watched from any PC/Laptop/Mobile device

There will be facilitator support 24/7 within these clinical areas to support and guide you

Actions

Complete training as noted above and then **complete and return** the below Training Declaration form to confirm.

As this is a TrakCare, based system, you will require to have access to TrakCare. An account will be set up for you if you don't currently have one.

You will also be required to complete the "Intro to TrakCare" module on Learn pro, to familiarise yourself with the TrakCare system, and **sign and return** the attached Training Declaration form to staffbankservicedelivery@ggc.scot.nhs.uk



DIGITAL CLINICAL NOTES - Training Dec



Booking a course on LearnPro.pdf



Cancelling a course on LearnPro.pdf

Although Digital Clinical Notes is still in the initial stages of rollout and there is still sufficient time to complete the training, it's important to note that access to Digital Clinical Notes will be essential for all Nursing Staff once rollout is complete. If you have any questions regarding the training please get in touch by emailing - staffbankservicedelivery@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

Suicide Reduction and Management of Ligature Risks policy

A ligature awareness LearnPro module has been developed to improve knowledge on what ligature points are and how they can be identified, removed or managed with control measures. This module will benefit all staff but will be particularly beneficial for staff in areas such as Mental Health, Adolescents and A&E.

The LearnPro module is available under the Specialist Subjects tab visit: <https://nhs.learnprouk.com/>, GGC: 292 Ligature Awareness.

There have been 180 new reduced ligature en-suite doors installed in mental health wards across NHSGGC. This has removed a significant ligature risk and improved access to bathrooms when responding to an emergency. Over 50% of the ligature related incidents that occur in mental health wards across Scotland involve the bedroom/bathroom area.

[Click here to view the suicide reduction and management of ligature risks policy.](#)

COVID-19 Spring Booster

COVID-19 Spring booster NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde have begun the roll out of the COVID-19 spring vaccination booster for those aged 75 and over or for those with a weakened immune system.

The vaccination will help protect those who are at the highest risk of severe illness against COVID-19 or its variants. People who are eligible will either be sent an appointment or will be sent details of how to book an appointment.

NHS Scotland recommends you have the spring booster this year if you:

- are aged 75 years or over (by 30 June 2023) – all patients will receive a letter from the 11 April with their appointment date and time
- are aged 5 years or over (by 1 April 2023) and have a weakened immune system - all patients will receive a letter regarding their appointment from the 24 April
- live in a care home for older adults.

Staff may share this information with patients as required.

Why should I have my vaccine

1. It's important to keep up-to-date with your COVID-19 vaccines
2. Your level of protection against COVID-19 may fade over time
3. Booster doses are recommended to help protect you from getting seriously ill or dying from COVID-19.

For more information, please click on the following link: <https://www.nhsggc.scot/your-health/covid-19/covid-vaccinations/> or go NHS Inform: <https://www.nhsinform.scot/spring-coronavirus-covid-19-booster>

Changes to COVID-19 guidance

Although we have seen an increase in Covid-19 cases in recent weeks, most patients have experienced mild symptoms at most and there have been no patients admitted to ICU. There are early signs that numbers are stabilising or reducing.

In line with guidance elsewhere in the UK, we have decided to change the guidance for use of facemasks in our hospitals, primary care and wider healthcare settings excluding Care Homes.

Facemasks are no longer compulsory in public areas or when staff are making their way around our hospitals, primary care and wider healthcare settings. However, the use of masks is strongly recommended when providing patient care or passing through a clinical area. In the care of children, the use of masks should be risk-assessed.

There will be no change to guidance around testing:

- Staff should only perform an LFT if they are symptomatic.
- Symptomatic patients will continue to be tested to guide their care as well as for IPC.
- There is no requirement for contacts of a positive person to perform an LFT, except under direction of our IPC teams.

Given the high occupancy rates all our sites are currently experiencing, and the risks of moving patients away from their host speciality ward weighed against the relatively low risk from COVID, guidance on moving patients and pausing admissions to wards is also changing. Where appropriate, you will receive a detailed briefing on these changes.

We would like to thank you for your co-operation in implementing these changes, and for your continuing commitment and professionalism in these difficult times.

Get in touch

We are ready to answer your calls and emails from 8am until 8.30pm every day of the week. We will also text and email you where we have key shifts to fill.

Employee on Line (EOL) remains your first point of contact allowing you to view and book shifts from your phone, tablet or laptop. Our contact number is 0141 278 2555 and our email is staff.bank@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

Is there something we should know?



We welcome your input for topics to cover or news to share and are always working to improve our communication.

If you think there is a topic we should be covering or a site or service that we can profile please let us know by leaving us your suggestions via this link - [Newsletter Feedback](#)