

Core brief

Daily update
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Updated National Infection Prevention and Control Manual

The NIPCM was relaunched on 11 July 2022 a decade after being first published in 2012. The updated NIPCM reflects on pandemic learning, emphasising the ongoing importance of Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) guidance for all those working in health and care settings. This will keep users of our healthcare facilities, healthcare workers and visitors safe.

The manual aims to:

- Help reduce the risk of Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI)
- Make it easy for care staff to apply effective infection prevention and control precautions
- Reduce variation, promote standardisation and optimise infection prevention and control practices throughout Scotland
- Improve the application of knowledge and skills in infection prevention and control
- Help alignment of practice, education, monitoring, quality improvement and scrutiny.

The manual is underpinned by a robust methodology ensuring content is evidence based and can be applied in practice. To highlight this an Evidence and Research section has been added to the NIPCM and is planned for further development.

[Click here](#) to view the National Infection Prevention and Control Manual.

Better Workplace – ple-eESS update your eESS

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion continues to be a priority for all of us in NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde. As part of this, we collect data on all [protected characteristics](#) to ensure we make the right provisions for our diverse workforce.

Accurate data helps us understand the demographics and diversity of our workforce, enabling us to identify strengths and continuous improvement opportunities, and ensuring the right resources, facilities and support are available for you.

Ple-eESS support by accessing and updating your personal data on eESS [here](#) (“Getting started” tab), select update ‘Basic Details’ then a screen will open with options to add your equalities data. Please remember your manager will NOT have access to these protected characteristics. All information provided is secured confidentially in adherence to General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).

If you would like additional support to update your eESS please contact by email here eESS@ggc.scot.nhs.uk, or telephone 0141 278 2700 (Option 5), or view the guidance [here](#).

Accurate data will help us all build a Better Workplace together, thank you for your continued support.

Shogufta Haq, Health Improvement Senior and Vice-Chair of BME Staff Network, said: “It is important to create a working environment where we all feel valued and proud.

“The first step in achieving this is to collect and analyse Equalities data. This allows a deeper understanding of NHSGGC’s employees lived experiences and help in continuing to shape the changes needed to create an inclusive work environment. All staff should be respected and valued regardless of race, background or colour.

“It's imperative we identify any existing biases, gaps or issues and continue working towards improving them.”

Visiting poster - reminder

To ensure visiting information displayed is consistent across all hospital sites, the only poster that should be on display is the current NHSGGC approved poster. Please ensure that this [current ward door poster](#) is printed and displayed prominently at the ward entrance.

Any other out of date visiting information (e.g. posters referring to out of date COVID visiting restrictions, or physical distancing arrangements where these no longer apply), should be removed as soon as possible.

As always, thank you for your efforts to ensure that people in hospital can benefit from the support of those who matter most to them as much as possible.

Further information about the current visiting guidance in place is available from the [NHSGGC website](#).



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 email: HR.Support@ggc.scot.nhs.uk.

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

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