

Core brief

Daily update

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Data Security Spotlight – Password security

Strong passwords and password security are essential to protect the integrity of our systems and our data. Always follow our guidance [here](#) on creating strong passwords and never share your password with anyone else.

HCSSA – staff awareness quiz

Test your knowledge on the Health Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Act (HCSSA) 2019 – What is it and why is it important!

To help us better understand current knowledge among our staff across the organisation, please help us by answering a few short questions on the HCSSA.

[Click here to take part.](#)

Please can any team leads or managers print copies off for staff who may not access a computer frequently and encourage them to circle their choice of answer and return through internal mail to:

Health Care Staffing Scotland Programme Office, Ground Floor, JB Russell House, 1055 Great Western Rd, Glasgow, G12 0XH.

Band 5 nurses urged to apply for role re-evaluation

Band 5 nursing staff who believe they are working at a higher level are encouraged to apply to have their pay banding re-evaluated now.

The review is open to Band 5 nurses across all fields of practice, specialties and settings, including those working in bank roles.

Successful applicants will see their role upgraded to Agenda for Change Band 6.

To ensure consistency of the application process, a National online digital portal/app has been developed, hosting an online application form. You can access the portal/app from any device, but you will need your NHS email address and sign-in details.

The application includes questions about all aspects of your job including the skills and knowledge required, your responsibilities and working environment. The application form is designed to gather information needed to evaluate your role.

Nurses are asked to discuss their applications with their manager before making the initial submission.

Full information on the process is available on the Scottish Terms and Conditions (STAC) website: [STAC Agenda for Change Review](#).

Further information is also available on [Staffnet](#).

LGBTQIA+ Peer Support Training Day

As we continue to grow our existing LGBTQIA+ Peer Support Hub, a further training date has been scheduled for members of staff employed by NHSGGC and/or HSCP who identify as LGBTQIA+.

The training is for those who wish to explore the role of a Peer Supporter and provide support locally in their team or via the LGBTQIA+ Hub, so if you're a part of the community and would like to support others, join us and learn how best to do it!



The training date and booking link is noted below:

Date	Time	Venue	Booking
Wednesday 23/10/2024	9.30am - 4.30pm	New Victoria ACH, Seminar Room 17B	Book here

For further information, please visit [Staffnet](#).

Please contact peer.support@ggc.scot.nhs.uk for any questions or queries.

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[GGC-Staffnet Hub - Home \(sharepoint.com\)](#)



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