

Core brief

Daily update

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Investors in People plaque presented to NHSGGC

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde has been presented with an Investors in People (IiP) plaque after the Board achieved the global accreditation.

IiP is a benchmark for assessing great places to work and it looks at organisational standards in three broad areas - Improving, Leading and Supporting.

All acute and corporate site Clusters successfully completed the IiP assessment earlier this year and have attained the standard.

This week, Chief Executive Jane Grant and Anne MacPherson, Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development, were joined by representatives of each of the Clusters as they received the Board's plaque.

Eddie Salmon, Head of Account Management at Investors in People, also attended the presentation at JB Russell House.

NHSGGC is continuing on a further three-year cycle during which it is committed to further enhancing its practices and striving for higher levels of the IiP standard - aiming for silver, gold and ultimately platinum accreditation in the years to come.

Anne MacPherson, Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development, said: "Our Investors in People accreditation is a testament to all our

team's commitment to excellence and continuous improvement across the organisation.

“It is a great achievement and I want to thank everyone involved.”



Review of Band 5 Nursing Roles

The Band 5 Review application process has now been open for four months so if you haven't filled out the questionnaire yet, now's the time to do it.

The application is open to all Band 5 nurses who believe they are working at a higher level and includes questions about all aspects of your job including the skills and knowledge required, your responsibilities and working environment.

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

Line managers should discuss and agree the job information that Band 5 nurses intend to submit. Following the initial draft submission, line managers will be asked to confirm the job evidence is accurate and notify the Band 5 nurse that their application can be formally submitted to be evaluated.

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.

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

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](#).

UKHSA Briefing Note

UKHSA are investigating a cluster of *Burkholderia (B.) stabilis* sequence type (ST) 1565 suspected to be associated with a non-sterile ultrasound gel product used in clinical settings in England.

Healthcare providers, clinicians and practitioners using ultrasound gel are reminded that there are published recommendations from UKHSA on guidance for safe use of ultrasound gel which outlines measures to reduce risk to patients associated with the use of non-sterile ultrasound gel and when to use sterile gel. UKHSA previously issued a National Patient Safety Alert to ensure alignment to this guidance and contents of this alert remain valid.

Good infection prevention practice: using ultrasound gel - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

[CAS-ViewAlert \(mhra.gov.uk\)](http://mhra.gov.uk)

Launch of New NHSGGC Public Protection Service Sharepoint Site

The Public Protection Service are delighted to welcome you to our new Sharepoint site [GGC-Public Protection Service - Home \(sharepoint.com\)](#).

The main purpose is to enable users to have a direct link to multiple resources and information. For example, quick and easy access to information on important contact details, policies and guidance documents and direct access to booking Child and Adult Protection level 3 learning and education sessions.

The level of training staff require varies dependent on role therefore staff and managers should have awareness of what they are required to achieve and maintain their knowledge and skills. Information can be sourced via our learning and education page and can be found at 'Learning and Education Requirements in Public Protection for All Health Professionals'.

The pages can be found under 'Services' in the Useful Links tab. Have a browse and feel free to feedback your thoughts and ideas of how we can further develop and improve the site – we hope you enjoy!

Public Protection Service: 0141 451 6605 or ggc.cpadmin@nhs.scot.

Roadworks M8 and M898

Amey, on behalf of Transport Scotland, is undertaking essential resurfacing on the M8 westbound and the M898 (Erskin Bridge) on-slip from 20:00 on Thursday 24 October until 06:00 on Monday 28 October 2024. The work will be carried out in three phases, and will involve lane restrictions and overnight road closures. Local diversions will be in place, so please allow additional time for your journey. More information is available from [Amey](#).

Remember, for all your latest news stories, visit the Staffnet Hub:
[GGC-Staffnet Hub - Home \(sharepoint.com\)](#)



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