

Core brief

**Message from Jane Grant, Chief Executive
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Next week sees the launch of Speak Up week, an important national initiative we support annually to show our commitment to empowering staff to voice any workplace concerns and ensure they are dealt with in an appropriate manner. Throughout the week, we are posting blogs and hosting online sessions where our staff will discuss how you can voice any concerns with confidence. Keep an eye out for content and visit our [dedicated website](#) for downloadable resources and support options.

It has been an important week in promoting organ donations in Scotland, with amazing case studies being shared across the country to mark the 30th anniversary of the Organ Donor Register. In the last financial year alone we have facilitated 32 organ donors which has resulted in 62 kidney transplants, seven pancreatic transplants, 17 liver transplants, 10 heart transplants and six lung transplants taking place across the country. My thanks to all our incredible staff who are involved in this life-changing work. You can find out more information on organ tissue donation [here](#).

A huge thanks this week to all the staff who have helped us drive up the staff vaccination campaign for flu. Following the promotion of our drop-in clinics this week we've already seen nearly 3,000 staff take up the opportunity to get vaccinated which is a significant increase on this time, last year. Every year, flu significantly impacts our services, so it's vital that we do all we can to reduce the risk to staff and ultimately to our patients. If you missed the clinics so far, there's still time today at Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Neuroscience Atrium until 8.00pm or at the Royal Alexandra Hospital, Vaccination Bus, Corsebar Drive until 4.00pm. Next week on Monday, additional drop-in clinics will be hosted from 8.30am - 8.00pm at Queen Elizabeth University Hospital, Neuroscience Atrium and the same time at the Royal Hospital for Children, Atrium. You can also visit your local community hub clinic which you can organise via the booking portal [Login - Customer Service \(nhs.scot\)](#) or by calling 0800 030 8013.

Finally, a thanks to staff at the RHC for providing top-class care to this patient:

“We took our child to RHC with an injury.

“Waiting room was spotless, staff were extremely helpful and the signposting to x-ray is easy to follow.

“Special mention to Dr Charlotte Mayes, who had a lovely manner and was very patient with our child. Truly an asset to the speciality. Also to Sandra, the HCSW, who fitted our support boot, was also very helpful and reassuring.”

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