

Core brief

Daily update

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Cut It Out: Building a safe and respectful workplace for all

NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde is committed to creating a fair, inclusive and safe workplace for all staff.

As part of this commitment, we are now extending our anti-sexual harassment programme, [Cut It Out](#), across the organisation.



This makes clear our zero tolerance approach to sexual harassment and all kinds of abuse, and is designed to ensure inappropriate behaviour is viewed as everyone's business.

We are also pleased to confirm that, as part of our organisational commitment to ensuring all staff feel safe, valued and respected, we are now actively working towards [Equally Safe at Work](#) accreditation.

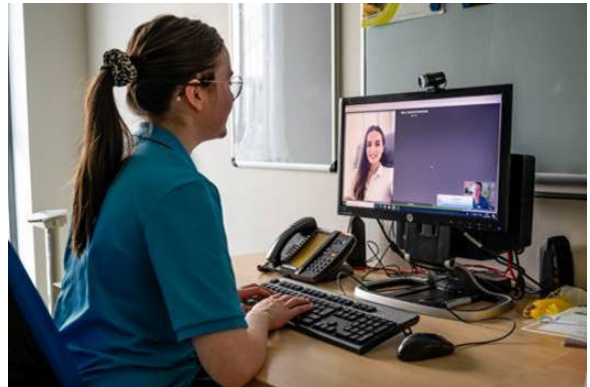
Through Cut It Out and Equally Safe at Work, we are aiming to tackle sexual harassment, address inequalities and advance gender equality in the workplace, and prevent gender based violence both in our organisation and the wider community.

To find out more about both programmes and how you can play your part, as well as sources of support available, please [click here](#).

Could your patients benefit from virtual consultations?

Virtual consultations could cut the proportion of people who don't turn up for medical appointments, new figures have suggested.

In June this year, 9.6% of in-person appointments were not attended, while only 7.8% of virtual appointments were missed.



NHSGGC is highlighting the benefits of video and telephone consultations as we look to increase their use where clinically appropriate.

All staff are encouraged to consider how they might incorporate virtual consultations into patient care. Read more about virtual consultations [here](#).

Further information, including demonstrations of using the Near Me platform, can be found [here](#). You can find the latest clinical guidance and other useful information on virtual consultations [here](#).

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](#).



GGC Medicines Update is a series of blogs with important medicines related messages relevant to all healthcare professionals across NHSGGC. Please see below for new blogs and relevant updates.

New blogs

Click on the following links to access the recently published Medicines Update blogs.

- [Management of Chemoprophylaxis of Meningococcal Septicaemia and Meningitis for Close Contacts](#)
- [Weight Management Prescribing of GLP1-RAs and GLP1-RAs/GIPs in Primary and Secondary Care – Non-Formulary Position Statement](#)

Updated blogs

Click on the following links to access the recently updated Medicines Update blogs.

- [NHSGGC Medicines Information Service](#)
- [Prescribing Medicines by Brand](#)

Updates

- [Formulary Update \(September 2024\)](#)
- [MHRA Drug Safety Update September 2024](#)

Previously published

Click on the following link to access the previously published Medicines Update blog on lidocaine plasters.

- [Lidocaine Plasters – Reducing Inappropriate Prescribing](#)

All of our blogs can be found on www.ggcmedicines.org.uk and anyone can join our mailing list by contacting us at: Medicines.Update@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

We're also on social media, follow us on: X/Twitter [@NHSGGCMeds](#)

Menopause Peer Support Drop In

Let's chat about menopause and support each other!

Tuesday 5 November 2024, 12.30pm - 1.30pm, MS Teams

[Sign up here](#)



Join for one, two or three 20-minute discussions:

12.30pm - 12.50pm – Menopause Experiences

12.50pm - 1.10pm – Menopause Coping

1.10pm - 1.30pm – Menopause Opinions

We will chat about our experiences and thoughts about menopause and support each other in small breakout rooms of 5 - 7 people. There will be a trained Peer Supporter in each breakout room.

Any staff can join, whether you're going through menopause, thinking about what it might be like in the future or supporting others through it!

We just ask that you keep the discussions respectful and confidential, and only share what you're comfortable with.

More details available on the [Menopause Peer Support Hub Sharepoint](#).

Please get in touch for any questions: peer.support@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

M8 roadworks – junction 26 (Hillington)

Amey, on behalf of Transport Scotland, is undertaking essential resurfacing on the westbound M8 carriageway at Junction 26 (Hillington) from Monday 7 October until Saturday 19 October between the hours of 22:00 and 06:00 each night. Please be advised that there will be no works taking place on the evenings of Saturday 12 October or Sunday 13 October. Local diversions will be in place. More information is available from [Amey](#).

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



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

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