NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

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Staff testing and Lateral Flow testing

From tomorrow (Tuesday 2 March) medical records will be allocating on the day appointments to test symptomatic COVID-19 staff.

Symptomatic health and social care staff (including care home staff, GPs, dentists and community pharmacists) can arrange to have the test through our own testing centre at West Glasgow ACH using the e-referral form.

Staff that use the Lateral Flow testing kit are reminded that if you register a negative test result, but you are showing any symptoms of COVID-19, as well as self-isolating you must book a PCR test through either <u>NHS Inform</u> or the <u>staff testing site</u>.

If participating in the Lateral Flow testing programme you must continue to test twice per week however if you have tested positive through PCR you should not commence/recommence the LFT testing programme until after 90 days of your positive test. More detailed advice can be found on our <u>website</u>.

Asymptomatic testing

As you will have seen in the Core Brief issued on <u>Wednesday 24 February</u> all the asymptomatic testing facilities are now open.

We would encourage all staff who are not included in Lateral Flow testing and are not experiencing COVID-19 symptoms to go along to their nearest site for a test.

The sites are located in the following areas:

East Dunbartonshire

Auchinairn Early Learning and Community Centre, Beech Road, Auchinairn

East Renfrewshire

Cowan 7s Pavilion, Aurs Rd, Barrhead

Glasgow City Glasgow Central Mosque, 1 Mosque Avenue, Glasgow Govanhill Neighbourhood Centre, 6 Daisy St, Glasgow

Inverclyde

Gamble Halls, 44 Shore Street, Gourock

Renfrewshire

There will be a mobile test unit for residents of Gallowhill in Paisley. This will be operational until Wednesday 3 March.

West Dunbartonshire

Clydebank East Community Centre, Fleming Avenue, Clydebank Levenvalley Enterprise Centre, Castlehill Road, Dumbarton

Each of the centres works on a drop-in basis, with no appointment necessary. We would encourage all staff and their families living or working in the area near one of these testing sites to go along and have a rapid test (you will get a result in 30 minutes or less).

Project Period

Three junior doctors based at GRI - Laura Knox, Pippa Thornton and Rosie McNee – have got together to launch Project Period and they need your help to make periods better for staff and patients.

This Quality Improvement project is aimed at implementing a sustainable supply of suitable, comfortable and convenient products at GRI and beyond. Given the recent Scottish Government Bill it is even more imperative.

Starting off they are reaching out to everyone to fill in a short survey about sanitary product provision and accessibility. The surveys are open to all, whether you've had a period or not!

There are two surveys and we would be very grateful if you could spare a couple of minutes to fill them in.

- For people who have periods (or have previously): <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/HRKFMGN</u>
- For people who don't have periods: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/6VBHPSD

Laura said: "We've had some donations of products from companies looking to work alongside us and we will be implementing these in SATA and AMRU in the next two weeks.

"There are posters promoting this throughout GRI next week and we would ask staff to send this link on to any other friends or colleagues.

"To colleagues out with GRI looking to work alongside us with a similar initiative please get in contact with us at the email address below or email us through our GGC emails."

If you have any questions or want to get involved you can email us at projectperiodgri@gmail.com

COVID-19 Risk Assessment

The COVID-19 Risk Assessment has been further updated, of particular note is the inclusion of controls measures related to ventilation. Local managers should use the risk assessment as the basis for their own local risk assessments.

The assessment can be found at: <u>COVID 19 risk Assessment V6</u>.

Transport Update

SPT have arranged for service 59 from Glasgow City to Mosspark to serve Louisa Jordan Hospital from Monday 1 March. More information is available from <u>Traveline Scotland</u>.



Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at:

<u>www.nhsggc.org.uk/covid19</u>. If you have any questions about the current situation please check the <u>FAQs</u> first. If you have any further questions, please email: <u>staff.covid19@ggc.scot.nhs.uk</u>

Staff are reminded to make sure their personal contact details are up to date on eESS.

It is important to share Core Brief with colleagues who do not have access to a computer. A full archive of printable PDFs are available on <u>StaffNet</u>