Introduction

This issue provides details of a Scottish Government press release on the review of maternity services and invites EU health and social care workers to an event on 1 February.

Review of maternity and neonatal services published
Every woman will have continuity of care from a primary midwife, who will provide the majority of their antenatal, childbirth and postnatal care, as part of a new model of care for maternity services in Scotland.

The proposal is one of 76 recommendations made in a review of maternity and neonatal services, published today.

They are based on the views of women and families, professionals and key stakeholders, as well as best available evidence and current good practice.

The review group was asked to refresh Scotland’s approach to maternity and neonatal services, to ensure every mother and baby gets the best possible care from the health service. Click here to read the full press release and links to the full review.

Invitation to EU health and social care workers from outwith the UK: Scotland values its NHSScotland EU/EES health and social care workforce in a post Brexit era

WHERE
Lecture Theatre
The Scottish Epilepsy Centre
William Quarrier Conference Centre
20 St Kenneth Dr, Glasgow G51 4QD

WHEN
Wednesday 1 February 2017
09.30am - 12.00noon
Registration, tea and coffee on arrival

What can I expect from the event?
We consider immigration as a positive lever in contributing to the services provided by NHSScotland as well as the Scottish economy, society and population.

• You will have the opportunity to engage with the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Sport, Shona Robison and Mike Russell MSP, Minister for UK Negotiations on Scotland’s Place in Europe to discuss your own experiences living in Scotland and working within NHSScotland. The Scottish Government greatly values both the contribution that EU and international migrants bring to NHSScotland, our economy and society.
The free movement of people from the EU/EEA allows skilled and experienced health professionals to work in our NHS. The free movement of workers, has made the EU an important and attractive recruitment market for NHSScotland, and has helped to make Scotland, and NHSScotland, an attractive place to work. Continuing access to the European single market is likely to be important to ensure the NHS remains able to provide the services we expect.

You will have the opportunity to discuss working in the NHS in Scotland in a post Brexit era and the challenges and opportunities this poses. You will also have the opportunity to hear from key Government Ministers how the Scottish Government greatly values both the contribution that EU and international migrants bring to NHSScotland, our economy and society and more information on the Scottish Government’s policy approach.

If you are interested in attending this event, please register your interest with Robyn McCormack - email: Robyn.McCormack@gov.scot or tel: 0131 244 3259 by close of play on Wednesday 25 January 2017

Please note it is intended that there will be a media presence on the day of the event.