Introduction

This issue of Core Brief congratulates staff shortlisted in the NHSScotland Excellence Awards and details information on Child Tax/Universal Credit two child cap.

NHSScotland Excellence Awards 2018

Congratulations to all NHSGGC teams and individuals who have been shortlisted in the NHSScotland Excellence Awards which acknowledge professional excellence across the wide range of topics covered by facilities staff in NHSScotland, which have led to improved, lasting and replicable outcomes in healthcare provision for patients, local communities and staff.

Engineering and Energy Excellence Award
The Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre – LED/ Addressable Emergency Testing Project

Sustainability Leadership Award
Board-Wide Oil Storage Tank Sustainability Compliance Remedial Works

Facilities Innovation Award
Controlling catering costs and reducing food waste
Standalone Medical Gas Pipeline Systems Training Facility

Using Education Pathways in Estates and Facilities – a celebration of achievement
Lesley Ann Shand - SVQ Management at SCQF Level 9

Child Tax/Universal Credit – Two child cap exemption Statement for Health and Social Work professionals in Scotland

In April 2017 the UK Government introduced a 2 child cap on child tax credit, universal credit and income support. These measures included an exemption for children ‘born as a result of non-consensual conception’ (the so-called ‘rape clause’).

The UK Government has made provision for claims for exemptions to be certified by certain people including healthcare workers and social workers.

Guidance is available for any staff who are approached to assist with a claim.

Click here to read the guidance.