Introduction

This issue brings you an EU Nationality survey, Scottish Health Awards, The Herald Society Awards and the International Forum on Quality & Safety in Healthcare.

NHSGGC European Union Nationality Survey - Friday 2 November to Friday 7 of December

The Scottish NHS and NHSGGC greatly values the contribution of every member of staff and acknowledges the vital contribution made by staff from the EU.

From Friday 2 November EU nationals working in the NHS in Scotland will be able to complete a voluntary survey which will help us understand how many EU nationals are currently working in the NHS. Having this information will help us to provide information and support to staff affected by BREXIT over the next few months and we would be grateful if EU staff could take the time to complete the survey electronically or on paper.

Details of how to complete the survey can be found on the HR Connect Brexit page.

Scottish Health Awards 2018

Congratulations to all of our winners at last night's Scottish Health Awards:

Community midwife, Hilary Alba picked up the Midwife Award. She is a community midwife manager with the Special Needs in Pregnancy (SNIPS) team managing women with the most complex social needs. Hilary provides a community midwifery service to women who are asylum seekers, have experienced people trafficking or female genital mutilation.

Stuart Yuile won the Young Achiever award for his enthusiasm and commitment to his role as a catering assistant at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital.

Stuart joined the team as part of Project SEARCH which provides opportunities for people with learning disabilities to gain access to employment and learning two years ago and has gone from strength to strength in his role.

Finally the Glasgow Recovery Communities team won the Healthier Lifestyle Award.

The team, made up of over one hundred volunteers with lived experiences, provide support to people recovering from alcohol and drug misuse in the north west, north east and south of Glasgow.

The Herald Society Awards
Last night also saw The Herald Society Awards take place and a project in Renfrewshire scooped the Health and Social Care Partnership Award.

Community Connectors is a partnership between three Third Sector organisations, Renfrewshire Health and Social Care Partnership and primary care services.

A link worker (employed by Recovery Across Mental Health – RAMH) is based in GP practices, offering 40 minute appointments to patients who are frequent users of primary care services, but whose issues are much wider than the presenting health issues.

They can refer patients into local services including housing, money advice and mental health services. Referrals can also be made into the two other partner organisations, Linstone Housing Association and Active Communities.

**International Forum on Quality & Safety in Healthcare**

The International Forum on Quality and Safety in Healthcare is one of the world’s largest conferences for healthcare professionals committed to improving patient care and safety.

On the 27 to 29 March 2019 it will be hosted in Glasgow – the first time the conference has been held in Scotland. It is a great opportunity to showcase Quality Improvement work being carried out in Scotland in the NHS and beyond. The conference will involve a series of keynote speeches, plenary sessions and workshops at the SECC. Further information on the event, can be found here. [https://internationalforum.bmj.com/glasgow/programme-overview/](https://internationalforum.bmj.com/glasgow/programme-overview/)

*Early Bird registration is now open*

In order to negotiate the best rate for delegates, please can you ensure you complete this short expression of interest for the conference - please complete all fields. The initial cost for this event *(2 days, Thursday – Friday)* should be discussed with your line manager first for local approval and Directors will review all applications for final approval.

If you are interested in submitting a poster for the event, please visit [https://internationalforum.bmj.com/glasgow/call-for-posters/](https://internationalforum.bmj.com/glasgow/call-for-posters/)

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