

# Core brief

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## Introduction

This issue of Core Brief reminds staff that the Scottish Government election guidance comes into effect on 24 March and provides information on the staff bursary scheme.

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## Election Guidance (Purdah)

Staff are reminded that the Scottish Government guidance on the conduct of business during the Scottish Parliament election period comes into effect tomorrow (24 March) until the election on Thursday 5 May. It highlights that all public bodies should take special care during this period and that their conduct is above question.

If staff have any questions regarding media queries or requests for visits during the campaign, contact Director of Communications Ally McLaws at: [ally.mclaws@ggc.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:ally.mclaws@ggc.scot.nhs.uk)

For all other campaign queries please contact Head of Board Administration John Hamilton at: [john.hamilton@ggc.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:john.hamilton@ggc.scot.nhs.uk)

[Click here to view the guidance in full.](#)

## Staff Bursary Scheme

The 2016/17 Staff Bursary Scheme is NOW OPEN! It gives staff the opportunity to apply for funding support to pursue an educational qualification/course of study and is open to **all** NHSGGC employees – from all disciplines, grades and service areas.

It represents a fantastic opportunity for staff to apply for funding to support ongoing learning and development in line with service objectives. If you have been thinking about undertaking a qualification/formal course of study, then this could be the scheme for you. The most important thing is that you have a real desire to learn, can show how it links to work/service objectives and how in putting the learning into practice, it will improve the service that we provide.

There's an application/disbursement process to allocate funding and although the level of award made to individuals will vary, up to £1500 can be made towards course fees.

The Application pack and further information are available on the Learning & Education pages [StaffNet > Human Resources > Learning & Education > Staff Bursary Scheme](#) or you can contact the Bursary Administrator - tel 0141 201 0836 | email [staff.bursary@ggc.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:staff.bursary@ggc.scot.nhs.uk)

Closing date for applications is Friday 22 April.