

Core brief

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Introduction

This issue of Core Brief brings you news about the QEUH and Gartnavel General glowing red, the modern apprentice award, a mental health physical healthcare policy, a lifetime achievement award and festive fire precautions.

Glowing red to mark World AIDS Day

To mark World Aids day on Saturday 1 December two of our hospitals will be lighting up red.

John Brown, chairman said: "We are proud to be marking World Aids Day and both the Queen Elizabeth University and Gartnavel General hospitals will be glowing red for the occasion. I am delighted that Glasgow has become Scotland's first HIV Fast track city - a global partnership which aims to help end the threat of Aids by 2030". [Click here to read more.](#)

NHSGGC Modern Apprentice award

The achievements of a 115 members of NHSGGC staff who have gained a formal Vocational Qualification this year was celebrated at a recent event.

With Elaine McCready, a clerical officer at Maryhill Health Centre, announced as the Unison and Unite Modern Apprentice of the Year.

The Qualification and Learning & Education Teams have supported staff to achieve a wide range of qualifications.

Jane Grant, chief executive, said: "I am so proud to be able to celebrate the achievements of our trainees and recognise the hard work, commitment and the enthusiasm with which they have approached their training, development and duties. [Click here to read more.](#)

Mental Health Service Physical Healthcare Policy

The new Mental Health Service Physical Healthcare Policy has been published and can [be accessed here.](#)

The aim of the policy is to improve the physical health of people with mental health problems in NHSGGC.

The new policy includes sections for working with particular groups of patients who may have additional needs. Guidance on physical health screening together with lifestyle and nutritional status during inpatient admissions is also included in the document.

Lifetime achievement award for physiotherapist

Marina Di Marco, Principle Neuromuscular Physiotherapist has been awarded the Inspire Muscular Dystrophy UK Lifetime Achievement Award for her work with children and adults with muscle conditions throughout the West of Scotland.

Based at the Royal Hospital for Children, she undertakes research, teaching and clinical work in this field and is a published author of her research work. [Click here to read more.](#)

Festive season

The festive season is upon us and we know that staff like to use decorations in our hospitals and health centres. We would like to remind all staff of a few basic fire safety measures that you should be aware of to ensure a fire safe festive period. [Click here to read more.](#)

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