

Core brief

Daily COVID-19 update
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“Test and Protect” is the Scottish Government strategy to help us interrupt chains of transmission of COVID-19 in the community.

The first phase of this strategy is the increasing provision of COVID-19 Testing capacity that has been put in place over the last 10 weeks.

NHSGGC supported by Public Health Scotland, has been building the service to provide Contact Tracing across Greater Glasgow and Clyde. The first cohort of over a 100 staff have been recruited and trained, and this number will continue to grow over the next few weeks.

Starting today, this service will begin contacting people who have received a positive result to their COVID-19 test.

Contact tracing involves identifying people who have had contact with a confirmed case so are themselves at risk of infection. These contacts can then be given advice to reduce spread to other people as much as possible.

A contact is someone who may have had exposure to the confirmed case in the period from 48 hours prior to symptom onset to seven days from symptom onset such as:

- living in the same household
- face to face contact for any length of time
- been within two metres for 15 minutes or more.

Symptomatic health and social care staff **MUST** stay at home for 7 days from the start of your symptoms and should not attend work even if they feel well enough to do so. They should inform their line manager, and immediately seek a test via the staff testing service - [please see the website for details](#).

[Click here for further staff information on Test and Protect.](#)



Some of our contact tracers training for their new role.

Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at: www.nhsggc.org.uk/covid19. If you have any questions about the current situation please check the [FAQs](#) first. If you have any further questions, please email: staff.covid19@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

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