

# Core brief

## Daily COVID-19 update (3<sup>rd</sup> June 2020, 3.00pm)

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### Call for home care workers for the University of Oxford vaccine trial

NHSGGC is supporting the University of Oxford's COVID-19 vaccine trial in health and care staff. We are interested in hearing from **home care workers in particular** who live in the Greater Glasgow and Clyde area, are between 18-55 years old, healthy and have not been infected with COVID-19.

Participants are randomised and receive one or two doses of either the *ChAdOx1 nCoV-19* vaccine or a licensed meningitis vaccine (MenACWY) that will be used as a 'control' for comparison.

Participants will be involved in the trial for the next 12 months and will be supported by NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde and University of Glasgow staff throughout its duration.

Screening and vaccination of participants is ongoing.

The University of Oxford's phase 1 trial of healthy adult volunteers began in April. More than 1,000 immunisations have been completed, and follow-up is currently ongoing.

For more information and to register your interest, please visit the University of Oxford's website:

<https://www.covid19vaccinetrial.co.uk/participate-glasgow>

### Endowment Funding

The Endowments Management Committee is pleased to announce that applications to enhance the wellbeing of staff, patients and volunteers has now awarded funding for five schemes, with a total value of approximately £280k. A significant amount of that funding has supported the roll out of virtual visiting. Other schemes to benefit include the introduction of a relaxation and recuperation hub at Stobhill and enhancements for Skye House, including outdoor seating and a gardening club.

If you have an idea for how Endowment Funds could be used to enhance the wellbeing of staff, patients and volunteers, please fill in the below form and send it to Bernadette O'Brien at [Bernadette.O'Brien@ggc.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:Bernadette.O'Brien@ggc.scot.nhs.uk). The Endowments Management Committee will consider applications quickly to ensure minimal delay between application and approval. [Click here to access the endowments application form.](#)

**DON'T FORGET - please continue to report new diagnoses of VTE in COVID-19 positive patients**

Email [COVIDVTE@ggc.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:COVIDVTE@ggc.scot.nhs.uk) with the following information

- CHI
- Date of admission (if applicable)
- Date of VTE diagnosis
- Thromboprophylaxis (if applicable) – date started, dose given

In just 10 days, 20 cases of VTE in COVID-19 positive patients have been reported via this email address.

Thank you for your ongoing help.

**Give & Go**

The Give & Go service has now opened at the New Stobhill Hospital and Lightburn Hospital.

Family and friends can now drop off essentials for their loved ones at these hospitals and a team of volunteers and support staff will deliver them to the wards.

Items such as toiletries, clothing, mobile phones and snacks and magazines can be dropped off. Laundry can also be collected by prior arrangement with the site based service.

Each of the hospital site has particular days and times the service is available. For further information, including guidance on procedures and allowed items, please see your [site specific Give & Go leaflet](#).

**Poster on reusable eye protection**

Please see [attached an updated poster](#) to support guidance on the cleaning of reusable eye protection. Staff who use reusable eye protection should make themselves aware of the updated information.

**Poem – Haven #17**

A consultant psychologist in one of our Older Adult Community Mental Health Teams received this poem from a patient. The poem captures this person's ability to observe the life around them, and consider others despite the challenges of their own situation. The poem resonated with the consultant and we'd like to [share it here with you](#).

Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at: [www.nhsggc.org.uk/covid19](http://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](mailto:staff.covid19@ggc.scot.nhs.uk)

Staff are reminded to make sure their [personal contact details are up to date on eESS](#).