

Core brief

Daily update
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Care Home Day – 15 July

Care Home Day is a time to celebrate all the tremendous work staff do in Care Homes. This year the celebration comes at a particularly poignant time with COVID-19. Our staff and care home staff have come together and pulled out all the stops, going above and beyond to look after the residents in Care Homes across NHSGGC even more so than ever in these trying past few months and we want to celebrate this special day with them.



Dr Margaret McGuire, Nursing Director, said: “Over the past few months we have been working closely with colleagues in Care Homes and have witnessed their dedication and the high quality compassionate care they provide day in, day out.

“These past few months have been a challenging time for us all but it has highlighted the truly fabulous work being carried out in Care Homes. During these times we have built stronger and sometimes new relationships with our colleagues in Care Homes which I hope will continue long into the future.”

Last month we launched our Care Home online hub. Care Home managers had asked for a resource where they could access all the relevant information in one place. This prompted us to create this new hub for Care Home staff to help them keep on top of all the new requirements and local arrangements.

You can access the [Care Homes hub](#) on the NHSGGC website.

This year's online Care Home Day celebrations aim to raise awareness of and promote Care Homes, sharing good news stories and recognising the role they play in communities.

The theme of the day is Care Community, to highlight how care homes are essential parts of the health and social care community as well as local communities in Scotland.

We know that people across the country are immensely grateful for the work care home staff do in caring for their relatives and you can show your appreciation now by flooding social media today with your stories.

If you have any stories about Care Homes, share them and get involved on Twitter using the hashtag #carehomeday20 and tag us @NHSGGC so we can retweet your stories.

Quarantine (Self-Isolation) for Staff Returning to the UK

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) currently advises British nationals against all but essential international travel, although the situation will continue to develop as we move forward. Anyone considering travel abroad should check the most up to date information on foreign travel through the Scottish Government's "Coronavirus in Scotland" Information and Support portal - www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19.

Guidance has now been issued specifically for people returning from countries (from 8 June onwards) where a 14 day quarantine (self-isolation) period is required.

It is important that everyone is able to take breaks from work. However, as a result of the self-isolation rules now in force across the UK and on the basis of the FCO advice, foreign travel for recreational purposes is discouraged at this time.

There is separate guidance dependent on the following:

- Travel booked before 9 June and manager approval in place
- Travel booked before 9 June and no manager approval in place
- Travel booked from 9 June onwards.

[You can view the full guidance here.](#) If you require further information please arrange to speak to your Line Manager in the first instance.

In addition the full list of exempt countries and territories can be viewed here - [Exempt](#).

Launch of NMC web hub of supporting information and materials on its standards

Since 2018, we have introduced [a suite of new programme and proficiency standards for nurses, midwives and nursing associates](#). This is to ensure that practitioners are equipped with the skills and knowledge they need to deliver high quality care now and in the future.

The new standards were co-produced in partnership with professionals, people who use services, other health and care professionals, charities and advocacy groups across all four countries of the UK.

To support people to understand the new standards, we are proud to launch our new standards web hub containing supporting information and materials such as recorded webinars, scenarios, briefings and leaflets.

You can visit the web hub at:

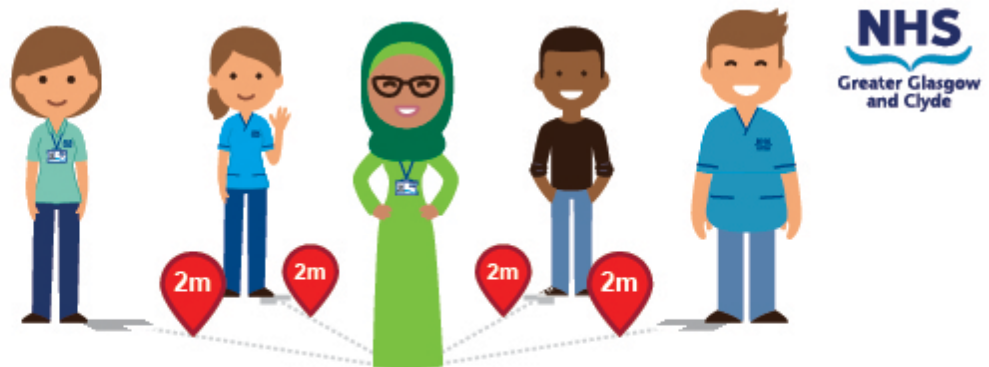
- Nursing hub <https://www.nmc.org.uk/implementation-nursing>
- Midwifery hub <https://www.nmc.org.uk/implementation-midwifery>
- Nursing Associate hub <https://www.nmc.org.uk/standards/standards-for-nursing-associates/standards-of-proficiency-for-nursing-associates#implementation>

We hope that the web hub will be helpful in the wake of the COVID-19 crisis. We recognise this is undoubtedly the most challenging time in generations for teams working in health and social care. It is therefore more important than ever that we provide our evolving implementation information clearly and in one place.

We hope that this hub proves useful for you – please do share the hub and its resources with your colleagues and across your networks.

Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at: www.nhs.uk/ggc/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

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



**It's important to maintain the social distancing rule.
Respect personal space and keep 2 metres apart.**

**It is important to share Core Brief with colleagues who do not have access to a computer.
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