

Monday 12 February 2024

Finance drop-in sessions As announced last week in Adam Coldwells' video update, we will be hosting three drop-in sessions on Teams, open to all staff, to give you an update on our financial position. These take place as follows:

- Thursday 15 February, 12.30-1.30pm
- Wednesday 21 February, 5-6pm
- Monday 26 February, 10-11am

[To join any – or all – of these sessions just save this link; no registration required.](#) If you aren't able to attend any of the sessions, they will be recorded.

We would encourage everyone to watch Adam's video before attending one of these meetings; it's available to watch here: [Finance Update - Adam Coldwells \(youtube.com\)](#)

Staff vaccination clinics We are offering two separate vaccination clinics for staff this week, as follows:

- 'Flu & COVID vaccination, tomorrow (13 February) between 9.30am-4pm in eye outpatients, ARI. Open to health & social care staff.
- MMR vaccination, Wednesday 14 February at Occupational Health (Foresterhill Lea), 10am-4pm. Open to NHS staff **only**

There will be another 'flu & COVID clinic next Tuesday – 20 February – same time and location. We would encourage managers to support time away to attend these clinics as required.

Phishing emails The national cybersecurity team has been receiving reports of emails, sent to personal accounts (e.g., Gmail) claiming to be from Chief Executives. The recipients typically have a LinkedIn profile with their current workplace specified. It is likely the attackers are using recent data leaks to get the LinkedIn profile email address. If you receive an email like this, please report to the cybersecurity team (gram.infosecurity@nhs.scot) and report the email as phishing via your provider.

Pilot launched to diagnose blood-borne viruses A pilot scheme, aimed at diagnosing blood-borne viruses (BBVs) earlier and improve outcomes and treatment options for patients, is now underway in the Emergency Department at ARI. Early detection of Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C and HIV can be lifesaving, allowing treatment to start promptly. In a national first, everyone who has a blood test performed as part of their assessment at ED will be tested for BBVs. The ability to opt-out has been built into the pilot programme. More information is available here: [NHS Grampian launches pilot to diagnose blood-borne viruses](#)

Near Me Video Consulting- new eLearning modules on Turas Never used Near Me video consulting? Need a refresher? Use it and want to learn more? Want to signpost new-starts to Near Me training? Two new Near Me eLearning modules are now available on Turas: [Near Me video consulting | Turas | Learn \(nhs.scot\)](#) Module 1 is an introduction to Near Me, module 2 covers video consultation skills for those already familiar with the platform. Each module is designed to be completed within 30 minutes.

Moray Community LD team on the move From this Thursday (15 February) the Moray Community Learning Disability Team will be based in Moray Council's offices on High Street in Elgin. Full address and telephone number below:

Moray Community Learning Disability Team
Council Offices
10 High Street
Elgin
Moray
IV30 1BX
Tel: 01343 563211

Commitment to Culture mini classes This week's Commitment to Culture mini classes will focus on how to use [Our Team Canvas tool](#) (intranet link, networked devices only) to support your team effectiveness conversations. No booking required, just join via the links below:

[Wednesday 14 February 12.30-1pm](#)

[Thursday 15 February 12.30-1pm](#)

[Friday 16 February 12.30-1pm](#)

NHS Grampian Charity Staff Social Activities This is a reminder NHS Grampian staff are entitled to claim £10 from NHS Grampian Charity each financial year for a staff social activity. Claims for this year must be submitted by 31 March; claims cannot be carried over. For more information, please review the [Fund Guidance and claim form on the charity's Intranet site](#) (networked devices only)

Div yi ken Doric? NHS Grampian Libraries will be hosting a Doric workshop with the Scots Scriever 2022-23, Shane Strachan on Thursday 7 March, 1-2pm. Whether you are a Doric speaker or simply want to find out more about the dialect, join us on for an online blether. Email cornhill.library@nhs.scot for the joining details.

Pause for thought: What sounds do you cherish, and when do you appreciate silence? What would you be giving yourself if you were more aware of these moments, and what might that lead to?

Tune of the day Regular readers will know of my fondness for Beyoncé; now she's gone country, releasing two new songs during last night's Superbowl. [16 Carriages](#) is our tune of the day (EP)

If you want to request a tune, follow up on items included in this brief, or suggest an item for sharing, drop us an email via gram.communications@nhs.scot