

Wednesday 10 May 2023

Staff Focus Groups - Plan for the Future 3-year Delivery Plan (2023-26) Yesterday we gave you an update on Plan for the Future. Today we want to offer you, as health & social care staff, the opportunity to get updates on this plan and share your suggestions on how both the 3-year plan, and Plan for the Future, can be meaningful for you and the teams you work in at a series of focus groups. We have a range of sessions coming up (dates and times below) all of which will take place on Teams:

- Tuesday 16 May, 2-3pm
- Wednesday 17 May, 9.30-10.30am
- Tuesday 23 May, 4-5pm
- Friday 26 May, 12.30-1.30pm

If you would like to take part, please email gram.planforthefuture@nhs.scot saying which session you wish to attend.

DAISY Award We have joined healthcare facilities from 36 countries around the world by partnering with the DAISY Foundation to help recognise the clinical skills and compassion nurses and midwives provide to patients and families. DAISY stands for Diseases Attacking the Immune System and the not-for-profit organisation was formed in 1999 in memory of J. Patrick Barnes. The award is now recognised for its success in promoting patient and family-centred care, improving job satisfaction and retention, and celebrating the crucial work nurses and midwives do. More information about the DAISY awards is available here: [NHS Grampian DAISY Awards](#)

Ask Caroline – your questions answered ‘Ask Caroline’ is an opportunity for you to put your questions to the Chief Executive. The next episode will be filmed next week, so if you have query you’d like answered, don’t delay! All you need to do is email your question to gram.communications@nhs.scot; remember to say if you would like it asked anonymously or not.

Windows 10 Updates Over the coming weeks eHealth will be performing essential updates to Windows 10 devices across the organisation. Although we already have Windows 10 installed there are critical updates to be performed which introduce feature updates, but more importantly fix known bugs and vulnerabilities. These updates are mandatory; we understand not all PCs/Laptops can be updated instantly so you will start to see messages (see below) advising an upgrade is available.



This upgrade should be performed as soon as practically possible otherwise the update will be automatically applied. The deadline for the update to be applied will be details at the bottom of the notification. If there are any concerns upon receipt of the message below, please report this via the IT Service Desk.

Shared Learning Events 2023 – next event tomorrow! The next Shared Learning Event will take place virtually on MS Teams tomorrow (Thursday 11 May) 12noon-1pm. We are lucky to have Kenny O'Brien speaking about Adult Support & Protection, with a local case study to highlight issues you may encounter within your own teams.

The Shared Learning Events are monthly virtual meetings which focus on clinical cases and adverse events, but also include wider learning for NHS Grampian. Recent events have been given on Scottish Public Ombudsman and Pharmacy audit. Recordings are available to view at request. Everyone is welcome, no matter what your role is. If you have not attended before and wish to attend, please register your interest at gram.qiat@nhs.scot, and the link to the meeting can be shared and you can be added to the distribution list for future meetings.

eESS downtime 26-29 May 2023 The eESS system will be unavailable for all Boards from **4pm on Friday 26 May until 12noon on Monday 29 May**. This downtime will affect Core, ER, Self Service, OBIEE, and OLM. The payroll interface will also be suspended during this period, so all required transactions should be completed by **1pm on Friday 26 May**. Once restarted the queued transactions will continue as normal for all Boards. The SSTS interface will also be suspended from 4pm Friday 26 May until 12noon on Monday 29 May and once restarted the queued transactions will continue as normal. The downtime is needed to upgrade the eESS database, and steps have been taken to minimise the downtime.

Research training opportunities for Nurses, Midwives and Allied Health Professionals As part of our continued commitment to encouraging new knowledge through research, innovation and improvement, we are offering research training scholarships to experienced NMAHP practitioners. A flyer with further information and links to the application forms is attached to the email used to send out this brief. If you have any queries, please contact the Practice Education Team on gram.practiceeducation@nhs.scot; the closing date for applications is Monday 12 June.

Child Health Commissioner's newsletter The latest newsletter from Tracy Davis, the Child Health Commissioner for NHS Grampian, [is available to read here](#).

We Care Wellbeing Wednesday

- **Stress Reduction with the National Wellbeing Hub** For the National Wellbeing Hub, this month's focus is on stress; not only helping you to manage your own stress, but also support your colleagues with theirs. Please visit the [National Wellbeing Hub website](#) for more information. A poster is attached for display in your work area.

Tune of the day Matt Willis marked his birthday at the start of the week; born in 1983, he became one third of pop/punk band Busted. The band are due to make a stop in Aberdeen later this year, their 2004 hit [3AM](#) 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