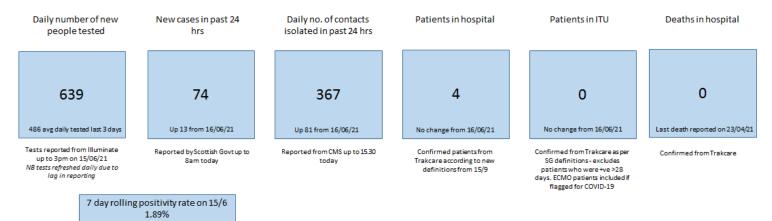
## COVID-19Brief



Here is the brief for Thursday 17 June 2021.

**Grampian data** Here is the daily local update, including the 7-day rolling positivity rate. As a reminder, this rate is arrived at by dividing the number of positive tests in the past 7 days by the number of tests carried out in the past 7 days. Repeat tests are included in both categories.

The figure for the "daily number of new people tested" is only for the number of tests for people who have not been tested previously.



A national update is available on the **Public Health Scotland daily dashboard**.

**City Covid-19 Hotspots** Residents in Aberdeen's Tillydrone and Froghall areas are being urged to get a Covid-19 test amid rising rates of the virus in the areas.

NHS Grampian is deploying mobile testing units (MTUs) to the areas to work with those living there to protect their communities from further outbreaks.

Jillian Evans, divisional general manager at public health at NHS Grampian, said: "We are seeing a rise in cases in these areas and by coming forward now for testing, residents can help ensure that the situation is kept under control.

"If you feel well get an asymptomatic test. It protects the community in these areas, your family, local businesses, even people's ability to work. If you have a cough, fever or loss of taste or smell, book a PCR test.

"Get tested, get vaccinated, protect your community."

**LFD Testing Reminder** Lateral Flow Device tests should only be used if you are not experiencing symptoms of Covid-19 – a cough, fever or loss of taste or smell. Anyone experiencing these symptoms should book a PCR test.

**Clean Air Day** Today is <u>Clean Air Day.</u> Every year, air pollution causes up to 36,000 deaths in the UK. The World Health Organisation and the UK Government recognise that air pollution is the largest environmental health risk we face today. Poor air quality causes heart and lung diseases, is linked to low birth weight and children's lung development and may even contribute to mental health issues.

One of the ways NHS Grampian is trying to improve air quality, is by encouraging active travel by our staff where possible. The Spaces for People Project has funded and provided an additional 76 bike

parking spaces for staff at Foresterhill Health Campus, Royal Cornhill Hospital, Glen O'Dee Hospital and at Woodend Hospital. We have also introduced eBikes at our community sites for staff to use for short journeys. These battery powered bikes make cycling easier, especially when travelling up-hill. There are no emissions of greenhouse gases or pollutants from their use which allows for a better air quality at our sites.

**Aberdeen drop-in vaccine clinics for 30+** If you live in Aberdeen City, are aged 30 or over, and are yet to have your first dose of COVID-19 vaccine then why not come along to our drop in Clinics at P&J Live. From today until and including Saturday, the mass vaccination centre will be operating on a walk-up basis between 2pm - 6pm each day. You only need to bring yourself and a face covering, we will take care of the rest. Staff at the venue will manage the queues to keep everyone safe and socially distanced, please note if the clinics are particuarly busy you may be asked to come back at another time. Car Parking is free, and P&J Live is served by a regular bus service from the city centre.

National Distribution Centre All deliveries to are running in the region of one working day behind normal - this may continue for several more weeks. The NDC apologise for the inconvenience and disruption caused to all services and staff. Please keep in mind that this remains only a logistical staffing issue, there is no shortage in stock available If you would like to discuss your NDC orders, please contact NHSG Supply Chain Customer Services (<a href="mailto:gram.logscustserv@nhs.scot">gram.logscustserv@nhs.scot</a>) or your Ward Product Manager

**Tune of the day** The best, without doubt, song from Now That's What I Call Music! 37 is today's Tune of the Day – and that's some claim when it's in competition with Hanson's near era defining Mmmbop. It represents Eternal's best work of the pre or post-Louise era here is, the upbeat masterpiece, <u>I Wanna Be The Only One</u>

**Get in touch!** If you've got a question, an item to share with people working in health & social care, or just want to suggest a tune of the day, we want to hear from you! Drop us a line via <a href="mailto:gram.communications@nhs.scot">gram.communications@nhs.scot</a>.