

Daily Brief...



Tuesday 12 November 2024

Finance Q&A sessions – next week You've got three opportunities to hear the latest on our financial position, with Q&A sessions taking place on Teams next week. Dates and times are below, to request the meeting invite and submit questions in advance, please email gram.communications@nhs.scot All sessions will be recorded and shared through this brief, so you can still send in a question, even if you are unable to attend.

- Monday 18 November - 3-4pm
- Wednesday 20 November - 10-11am
- Thursday 21 November - 12.30-1.30pm

Disruption to remote access – this Friday Essential IT maintenance work will be carried out this Friday (15 November) between 11am-2pm. During this time remote access (AOVPN/Direct Access) will **not** be available. If you are working remotely, you will **not** be able to access NHS systems; access to Office 365, email, etc, will not be affected. It is hoped work will be completed within the time window specified, so keep an eye on your connection. If at the end of the maintenance period you still do not have access, a laptop reboot is suggested to restore your connection.

ICYMI - safe swallowing & texture modified diets If you are involved in preparing or serving food to people with swallowing difficulties, then we have the course for you, taking place on **Tuesday 10 December**, at the Holiday Inn West, Westhill. You can either attend at 9.30am-12.30pm, or 1.30-4.30pm. Sessions are open to anyone (nursing/care staff, AHPs, family members, students, catering staff etc). They are particularly useful to any care staff and catering teams involved with the regular provision of modified diets. This free training always 'sells out' so be sure to book your place by contacting johanne.smith@nhs.scot.

Paediatric MTC education sessions The next event in this series will take place this Thursday (14 November) between 12-1pm. The topic this time is occupational therapies within the burns and plastics service. To request the joining link, please email gram.nosmtc@nhs.scot

Dementia consultant webinar The NHS Scotland dementia consultant group will hold their next webinar on Tuesday 26 November and it's on an especially relevant topic for us in Grampian: 'Aberdeen Brain Health Service & Clinic – one year on'. These webinars are aimed at anyone with an interest in dementia care, including dementia ambassadors, champions, and specialist improvement leads. The webinar will take place between 2.30-3.30pm, [you can register using this link](#).

Secret Santa...coming soon... We're delighted to say we'll be running a Secret Santa draw again this year, with vouchers for an overnight stay and breakfast for two at Gleneagles up for grabs. All the details you need will be in next Monday's brief (18 November).

Tune of the day Tracey McLuckie, domestic supervisor covering Seafield and Turriff hospitals, makes today's first request. She's sending out [I Don't Feel Like Dancin'](#) by Scissor Sisters to her very hard-working teams. The band are touring next year, something Tracey is very excited about (as am I – see you down the front!)

Long-time friend of the brief, Marie Reid (service manager Hospital at Home), marks 40 years with the NHS today. To celebrate this impressive achievement here's the original [Proud Mary](#) by Creedence Clearwater Revival (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