

Daily Brief...



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Chief Executive's Team – update Tom Power, our director of people and culture, will leave us in early 2025 to take up the same post with NHS Lothian. Tom will continue to lead those work streams for which he is responsible until his departure in March; he has asked us to share this short message:

“Whilst I am delighted to have been appointed to NHS Lothian and excited by the opportunity this presents, I have enjoyed working with a fantastic team and colleagues in NHS Grampian. I have developed both personally and professionally during my time here and believe that this will be hugely beneficial to me in my new role. A sincere thanks to all the amazing colleagues who make NHS Grampian a great place to work.”

We thank Tom for his hard work since joining the organisation in July 2020 and wish him all the best.

Ordering ambulatory ECG recorder monitoring For the attention of all clinical staff who refer patients for Ambulatory ECG Recorder Monitoring using Order Comms: when completing the Order Comms Investigation request form, please leave the **'Processing Notes' box blank**. This box is for cardiology receiving administrative and vetting notes. It should not be used by the referring clinician to outline patient clinical details. These details should be entered in the 'referral reason' section.

Pulmonary rehab referrals The form to be used for referrals to pulmonary rehab across Grampian has been updated. [It is available on Grampian Guidance via this link](#); please only use this form and destroy/delete previous versions.

Realistic medicine newsletter The latest edition of the Grampian Realistic Medicine newsletter is out now: [Newsletter 2 - December 2024](#). The team has been busy hosting a variety of events and attending some awards. Updates include the Moray community appointment day, Future Care Planning and the shared decision-making module.

Experience of disabled women in the workplace Close the Gap is currently undertaking research on disabled women's experiences of employment to gather evidence and build a richer picture about disabled women's working lives. [The survey can be accessed here](#) and will be open until early February 2025. If you require an accessible Word version of the survey, please email info@closethegap.org.uk

NHS Grampian 2025 Step Count Challenge – coming soon! Our annual step count challenge will get underway on Monday 20 January. Courtesy of Paths for All, Scotland's national walking charity, one lucky participant of this competition will win £500 of hotel vouchers. [There's more information here](#); to sign up or for more information please email gram.activetravel@nhs.scot

ICYMI - ticket offer – Aberdeen Arts Centre panto You can get 20% off pantomime tickets for Dick Whittington at Aberdeen Arts Centre, using code NHSXMAS20 here [Dick Whittington | Aberdeen Pantomime | Aberdeen Arts Centre](#). This code applies to all evening performances **except** Christmas Eve.

Tune of the day For today, the wonderful [Christmas Wrapping by The Waitresses](#)...bah humbug, but that's too strong...(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