

Daily Brief...



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ICYMI - research opportunities We're pleased to share two exciting research opportunities, as follows:

- Two part-time PhD studentships for nursing/midwifery/AHP colleagues, starting in February 2025. Funding covers tuition fees. Students must be able to commit to a recommended 18 hours of study a week. Topic must link to current NHS Grampian priorities.
- STAR research internships for Allied Health Professionals (AHPs) – two positions available this year, to be repeated in 2025. Funding covers backfill of one day a week (Band 7 salary at midpoint) for 12 months. Topic must link to current NHS Grampian priorities.

Closing date for applications is 22 November, [there's more information on the intranet here](#) (networked devices only).

Laboratory newsletters The latest editions of the laboratory newsletters are available to read via the links below (networked devices only):

- [Primary Care newsletter](#)
- [Secondary Care newsletter](#)

Small research grants programmes NHS Grampian Charity is holding a virtual information session for those interested in applying for its Small Research Grants programme. The programme awards grants of up to £20,000 for pilot or preliminary research projects which will impact on health or social care. The information session will take place via Teams this Thursday (7 November) at 3pm. Please visit the charity website to find out more about the programme or to register for the information session: [Small Research Grants Programme < NHS Grampian Charities](#)

Doctors and Dentists in Training – breaks guidance Work is ongoing within the adult general acute setting to support the wellbeing of Doctors and Dentists in Training (DDiT) by protecting breaks and shifts finishing on time. Guidance has been produced and a new data collection method is being launched. [View the new guidance](#) and separate [reporting form](#).

If you are a DDiT, please use this so your medical and operational management can better understand any challenges, and work with you to implement solutions to protect your rest. These can also be found on the [DDiT Wellbeing and Rest Sharepoint page](#) alongside other useful information. In the coming weeks, the Break Facilitation team will also be commencing. They will be working with the DDiT, Medical Leadership and Operational Management to plan breaks and escalate issues as well as supporting the completion of these forms.

GHAT Collection survey Grampian Hospitals Art Trust (GHAT) manages over 4000 artworks across NHS Grampian. We would appreciate if anyone who works onsite could [fill out this short survey](#) to let us know what you think about the artwork on display. Feedback like this helps to improve these services.

Chronic pain TURAS toolkit A new TURAS learning toolkit on chronic pain has been launched across Scotland. [Read this intranet news update](#) for more information.

Paediatric MTC session A [new flyer](#) for a Paediatric Major Trauma Centre (MTC) Education Session has been uploaded to the intranet (networked devices only). The session taking place on Thursday 14 November at 12noon will focus on Occupational Therapies Within the Burns and Plastics Service. To join, email gram.nosmtc@nhs.scot

Ticket offers – P&J Live £20 tickets (fees not included) are available for two events at P&J Live in December. Please click the relevant link below to purchase. NHS Grampian is not responsible for, and does not benefit from, these offers. Please read the terms and conditions.

[Killer Queen – a tribute to Queen, Friday 6 December](#)

[Waterloo – a tribute to ABBA, Saturday 7 December](#)

Tune of the day Erika Inkster, part of the Wellbeing, Culture, and Development team, makes today's request. As an American transplanted in Aberdeen, she's got one eye on the presidential election taking place today. Erika has requested Whitney Houston's iconic interpretation of [The Star Spangled Banner](#) from the 1991 Super Bowl.

Talking of the US presidential election, hopefully this anonymous request for [People are crazy](#) by Billy Currington isn't a premonition. It's intended to make us feel good and bring a few laughs (KJ).

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