

Wednesday 6 November 2024

Aberdeen City Podiatry Service Update Due to the current high level of staff vacancies across the podiatry team, a 'virtual only' service will be provided to support Aberdeen Royal Infirmary, Cornhill and Woodend Hospitals.

For patient-related advice, please email gram.podiatryhospitalreferrals@nhs.scot and a podiatrist will get back to you within two working days.

Please ensure you include Patient Name, CHI, Ward and Contact number, presenting clinical lower limb problem and current management/investigations. Digital images where possible, would assist assessment.

If you feel your patient requires urgent advice, please contact the Podiatry Clinical Advice Line on 07976 557945 between 9am-1pm, Monday to Friday.

Pressure ulcer awareness week – coming soon The tissue viability team is pleased to announce pressure ulcer awareness week will begin on Monday 18 November. The theme this year is 'Datix: Report, Reflect, React'. There will be online education sessions throughout the week, keep an eye on this brief for more information.

Palliative and end of life care professional conference It's not too late to book into this event, taking place at Aberdeen Altens Hotel on Wednesday 20 November. As always, it will focus on networking, sharing challenges and successes, and provide a broad range of educational talks and interactive workshops. The event costs £35 and registration is via Eventbrite here: [Grampian Palliative and End of Life Care Network Conference 2024 Tickets, Wed 20 Nov 2024 at 08:30 | Eventbrite](#)

Ask Labs! As National Pathology Week continues, have you ever wondered what happens when you send a sample to the lab? How can we tell if a sample is contaminated or how do we measure a full blood count? Well now's your chance to ask! All staff are invited to [submit questions anonymously](#). This online form will remain open until November 30 and answers will be provided by lab staff later this year.

NHSG-DATA-01 Maintenance The Digital Directorate will be performing maintenance on NHSG-PUBLIC-01 on Saturday 16 November 2024.

What to expect:

- The maintenance outage will start at 10am. During the maintenance window, any shared files or folders that reside on NHSG-PUBLIC-01 will not be accessible. We expect NHSG-PUBLIC-01, and all its services and file shares to be accessible by no later than 6pm.
- Should your shared drive (V:\) reside on NHSG-PUBLIC-01 there should be no noticeable difference once the maintenance is complete.

To minimise disruption to your workflow, we recommend taking the following actions before the migration date:

- **Identify Critical Files:** Departments that rely on immediate access to specific files e.g. Business Continuity Plans, should save those files locally to their computers or following best practice, paper copies of these critical documents should be checked they are up to date prior to this work being carried out.
- **Download Necessary Documents:** If you require access to specific documents during the migration window, download them to your local machine beforehand or print them out.

Should you have any questions or concerns regarding the migration, please do not hesitate to contact the Service Desk by [clicking here](#).

Datix Surgery Sessions A reminder that two of these sessions will take place on Tuesday 12 November between 10.00-10.45am and 10.45-11.30am. These are bookable through Turas.

Wellbeing, Culture, and Development Wednesday

- **Excel Introduction in Elgin** If you require training on Excel to improve your current skills and are based in Aberdeenshire, we have four spaces available on this course on Tuesday 11 November. Please find information and pre reading [here](#). Class starts at 9.15am in Room AGBC112 of Moray College, and concludes at 3.45pm. Beginners and improvers are welcome. This course is bookable through Turas and is run by Anne Duffy.
- **Workplace Volunteering Calendar** The Health Improvement Team within Public Health have created a calendar for November around the theme of "Workplace Volunteering Opportunities". This calendar was developed in order to support corporate social responsibility, promote fair work and to provide some useful information to support health and wellbeing programmes for workplaces. Please find the calendar attached to follow along as well. Please find the calendar attached.
- **National Wellbeing Hub** The [National Wellbeing Hub](#) is a valued site with a wealth of information including Mental Wellbeing, Financial Wellbeing, Physical Wellbeing, Psychological Wellbeing, Supporting Staff's Wellbeing and Responding to Emergencies

To contact Wellbeing, Culture and Development please email gram.wcd@nhs.scot

One-way system – RACH To enable works for the Baird and ANCHOR project, a one-way system – northbound only – will be effective outside RACH from today. You can see a map of area here: [baird-rach-one-way-road-system-october24.pdf](#) Please follow all local traffic signage.

Tune of the day Cath Fitzgerald from the Macmillan navigator team has been in touch to celebrate two colleagues starting a new role within the dental hospital. We understand Julie Russel and Susan Smith are big Take That fans so here's [Never Forget](#) so you can boogie on down during your last shift with the navigator team.

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