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Integration of acute pathways – appointment of senior responsible officer As highlighted in the Daily Brief last week, work is beginning on three projects to fully integrate pathways of care for three acute services – endoscopy, cardiology, and orthopaedics. The aim is, at the end of the process, each service will provide safe, sustainable, and consistent care to all people living in Grampian (and beyond for regional pathways). Interim chief executive Adam Coldwells has sought a member of the Chief Executive Team (CET) to undertake the role of overall senior responsible officer, on a full-time basis.

We are pleased to announce Pam Milliken, chief officer of Aberdeenshire HSCP, has agreed to undertake this role. The chair and vice-chair of the Aberdeenshire integration joint board have confirmed their support of Pam being released for this role. The chair and vice-chair, with support from Adam Coldwells and Aberdeenshire Council chief executive Jim Savege, will seek to appoint an interim chief officer in the coming weeks. Further updates will be provided as this progresses.

Aberdeen Dental Outreach Centre – treatment offer The Aberdeen Dental Outreach Centre is currently inviting unregistered patients for treatment within student teaching clinics. Student treatment, provided within NHS Grampian dental clinics is free of charge, and is supervised by fully qualified and experienced dentists. If you are over 18 years of age, are not currently registered with a dentist, and are able to attend appointments during working hours, further information can be obtained by calling Argyll Dental Practice on 01224 551581 ext. 51581. An assessment is carried out prior to a patient being accepted to the student clinic to ensure student teaching requirements are matched to patient treatment needs.

Grampian Respiratory MCN Professional Conference 2025 There is still time to register for this year's conference which will take place on Wednesday 7 May at the Aberdeen Altens Hotel. As always, the event will emphasise networking, sharing our challenges and successes, and feature a diverse range of educational talks and interactive workshops.

[Click here for further information including the programme and details of how to register via Eventbrite.](#)

Little Acorns – Easter egg hunt The team at Little Acorns are inviting staff, friends and family to come along and enjoy their annual outdoor Easter egg hunt to be held at the nursery on Saturday 19 April from 9.30am - 11am. The event costs £4 per child, with adults going free, and tickets are available to purchase in person from the nursery office (cash only). All tickets must be purchased in advance, no tickets will be available on the day. All funds raised will be used to improve our nursery environment and play opportunities for the children. If you have any queries regarding this egg-citing event, please contact laura.yeoman@nhs.scot

Pause for thought 'Well to know you are well off' is an inscription on a well in Glen Tanar, Aberdeenshire. In what ways do you know yourself to be well off?

Tune of the day Today's tune goes out to Mae Reid, podiatry assistant practitioner in Aberdeenshire. She did battle with the queues and bagged herself (and her twin) tickets to Lady Gaga, in Amsterdam, in November, on their birthday! By way of celebration, here's Mother Monster herself and [Born This Way](#) (there's 2 and a half minutes of preamble to scroll through, for info) (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