

Here is the brief for Monday 26 April 2021.

Easing of restrictions As you will no doubt be aware, Scotland moved down to Level 3 restrictions today. Non-essential retail, hospitality, and public buildings like libraries and community centres are now back open. A full run through of what is – and is not – permitted in Level 3 is available on the Scottish Government website [here](#).

In addition, a new app – Check in Scotland – has been launched to support businesses to collect information required for contact tracing. It is designed to work alongside the Protect Scotland app; more information is available [here](#).

We Care Wellbeing Pulse survey - how are you? As part of the We Care programme, regular short surveys will be run to check in with you and see how you are doing. The first survey is now live and can be accessed via [this link](#) or by scanning the QR code below. The survey is anonymous, should take just a few minutes, and you don't need to be on a networked device to access it. Please share the survey link widely with your colleagues/teams, especially those not on email #GrampianWeCare



COVID-19 vaccination – staff programme reserve list As highlighted in Friday's brief we are now able to offer those of you working in a non-patient/client facing role the opportunity to join a reserve list for appointments, where you haven't already received a vaccine due to age or medical condition.

Please be aware appointments are not guaranteed and will likely be offered at short notice, depending on the availability of vaccine. If you are contacted, it will be via telephone and likely to be towards the end of the day (between 5-7pm), so you will be asked to give a definitive yes or no on the spot and attend immediately if yes. Calls are likely to be from an unknown number so please answer your phone. This is for first doses only. Your second dose will then be arranged in line with the required timings.

If, while on the reserve list, you are invited for vaccination as part of your age cohort, you should take up that invitation. If we contact you and you have been vaccinated, or are booked to attend, please advise and you will be removed from the list.

If you wish to join the reserve list, please complete [this form](#). It is very important that you indicate which vaccination centre you would be able to attend, bearing in mind it will be at short notice. This will allow you to potentially receive your vaccination slightly sooner than you would waiting for a scheduled appointment. Please note, we are **not** automatically transferring existing staff vaccine appointment requests. If you wish to join the reserve list you must complete the form linked to above, whether you have already submitted an appointment request or not.

Grampian data The local figures for today (and over the weekend) and the 7-day rolling positivity rate are shown below. As a reminder, this rate is arrived at by dividing the number of positive tests in the past 7 days by the number of tests carried out in the past 7 days. Repeat tests are included in both categories, whereas the figures we show here only record new tests.

	Daily number of new people tested	New cases in past 24 hrs	Daily no. of contacts isolated in past 24 hrs	Patients in hospital	Patients in ITU	Deaths in hospital
Sat 24/04	316	13	102	5	1	1
Sun 25/04	321	9	14	6	1	0
Mon 26/04	264 <small>300 avg daily tested last 3 days</small>	10 <small>Up 1 from 25/04/21</small>	190 <small>Up 176 from 25/04/21</small>	7 <small>Up 1 from 25/04/21</small>	1 <small>No change from 25/04/21</small>	0 <small>Last recorded death 23/04</small>
	<small>Tests reported from Illuminate up to 3pm on 24/04/21 NB tests refreshed daily due to lag in reporting</small>	<small>Reported by Scottish Govt up to 8am today</small>	<small>Reported from CMS up to 1530 today</small>	<small>Confirmed patients from Trakcare according to new definitions from 15/9</small>	<small>Confirmed from Trakcare as per SG definitions - excludes patients who were +ve >28 days. ECMO patients included & flagged for COVID-19</small>	<small>Confirmed from Trakcare</small>
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> 7 day rolling positivity rate on 24/4 0.88% </div>					

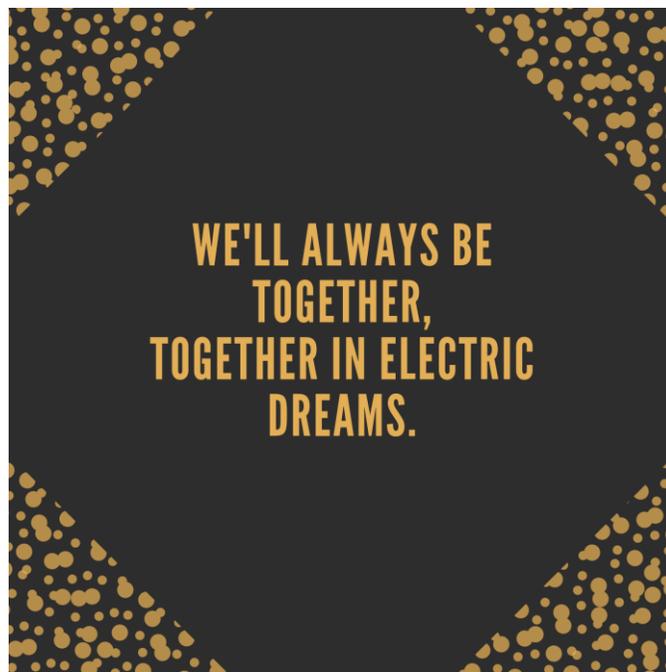
If you are interested in seeing what is happening in your area, this information is published daily by Public Health Scotland. All you need to do is click [here](#) and select the appropriate local authority area.

Corporate Health & Safety Training Updates:

- Health and Safety Toolkit for Managers - NHS Grampian's Health & Safety Toolkit for Managers course has recently been updated and is now available online via Turas Learn by [clicking here](#). The course is now split into 8 modules and designed to provide useful health & safety information and signposting to the various tools that are available to support you in your managerial role.
- Risk Assessment Module - NHS Grampian's Risk Assessment Module has also recently been updated and is now completed 100% online via Turas Learn. There are no prerequisites for the module and anyone can become a risk assessor. The module is designed to provide the information and signposting to the various tools that are available to support staff in becoming a trained risk assessor. The module should also be used as a refresher for those staff who are already experienced risk assessors. To access the risk assessment module please [click here](#).

PPE donning and doffing training This training is available every Tuesday at 11am, via MS Teams. You can book your space by emailing gram.ipc-donn-doff-training@nhs.scot

Thought for the day Today the great Giorgio Moroder (the Father of Disco) celebrates his 81st birthday. Whatever kind of Monday you have had – or are having – allow yourself 3 minutes and 50 seconds to enjoy [this absolute classic](#).



Questions to ask? Information to share? If you have particular questions – or are aware of questions coming from friends and family – please share them with us. We may not be able to answer every question and it may take us time to get a proper answer, but we will endeavour to respond and share the answers. You can get in touch with us via gram.communications@nhs.scot. Please also use that email address if you have items for consideration for future briefs.