

Thursday 4 August 2022

Message from the Chief Executive [A brief video update from Caroline Hiscox this week](#), covering her next Q&A video, changeover week for doctors in training, and long-service awards events.

Update to Patient Placement Tool From next Monday (8 August), in line with national guidance to end Respiratory/Non-respiratory Pathways and move back to Standard Infection Control Precautions and Transmission Based Precautions, the Respiratory Pathway details will be removed from the Patient Placement Tool. The updated Patient Placement Tool (v16) will be available on the [IPC intranet page](#) (networked devices only) for areas which use paper copies. Please ensure earlier versions are withdrawn and destroyed. For areas using the Electronic Patient Record (EPR), it will be updated on Monday 8 August and available via the usual route.

Unclaimed uniforms – a request from Linen Services If you have ordered uniform from Linen Services and not yet collected it, please get in touch with the team. They are holding multiple orders made over the last year which are still awaiting pick-up. Please ensure orders are collected by 31 August. You can contact Linen Services on Ext 53726.

NHS Scotland Event resources All presentations, along with recordings of some of the key sessions, from the NHS Scotland event in June [are now available on the event website](#).

Using Place as a lens to improve health Where we live and where we spend our time has an important influence on our health and wellbeing. The Northeast Alliance is holding a symposium to:

- build a strategic understanding of the topic
- share ideas and best practice
- inform forward planning

The event will take place at Aberdeen Art Gallery between 10am-4.30pm on Wednesday 28 September. This is an open invitation to anyone who is passionate about place and well-being and wants to get involved in future action. [The event is free, but booking is required, please follow this link](#).

Upcoming bereavement webinar NES Bereavement provides multi-professional education for health and social care staff, supporting Scottish grief and bereavement care – www.sad.scot.nhs.uk. The next webinar from NES Bereavement - 'Supporting those who experience the death of a child' – will take place on Thursday 15 September at 5pm. Featuring Yvonne Caie, Bereavement Nurse Specialist, NHS Fife and Gordon Strang, Healthcare Chaplain, NHS Fife, the session will cover:

- a discussion about the impact the death of a child has on a family
- how to build confidence and skills in communicating with, and supporting, families who are bereaved of a child
- how to consider ways to support yourself and your colleagues

[You can register for the webinar here.](#)

Correction Our item yesterday on nominees for the Scottish Social Services awards should have highlighted Dawson Court in Turriff, recognised in the Rural Ways of Working category. Our apologies to the team there for the error and congratulations on being named a finalist!

Vote to name the new staff bike hubs at Foresterhill and Cornhill A few weeks ago we asked you to suggest names for our new secure bike hubs. The Active Travel Team have whittled these down and it is now up to you to vote for your favourite. [Click this link to vote now](#). Voting closes at 5pm on Friday 19 August.

Tune of the day Have you been keeping up with the Commonwealth Games? Team Scotland had a Wonderful Wednesday, racking up 4 Golds in less than 4 hours and throwing in a couple of Bronze medals for good measure. A tune from a Scottish band seems in order; how about [Take Me Out](#) by Franz Ferdinand? (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