

Daily Brief...



Tuesday 17 March 2026

All-staff call with CET Thank you to everyone who attended yesterday's all-staff call with CET; as usual, [the session was recorded and is available to watch via this link](#). We packed a lot into a short meeting, including updates on planned care, unscheduled care, and value and sustainability. There were also a range of questions from colleagues, covering everything from car parking to EV chargers, to the pilot of primary care walk-in centres. The next briefing will take place on Monday 13 April, 4-4.30pm.

Board meeting – this Thursday The NHS Grampian board meets on Thursday, with a full agenda. [Papers are available to view via this link](#).

New mailbox for Older Adult Mental Health referrals To improve the safety, timeliness and reliability of referrals, a new generic mailbox has been established for Older Adult Mental Health (OAMH) City community mental health team referrals at Royal Cornhill Hospital. The address is: gram.oamhreferrals@nhs.scot This mailbox will now act as one of the points of submission for City CMHT OAMH referrals alongside Trakcare. Please bear in mind the following:

- Do not post referrals. All referrals must be scanned and emailed to the generic mailbox.
- Paper referrals dated from today (Tuesday 17 March) onward will no longer be accepted.
- Do not send referrals to individual medical secretaries, as these may be missed during periods of leave and could cause further delay.

We recognise the pressures facing all services at present, and your support in adopting this updated referral process is greatly appreciated. For further information or support with the new process, please contact: gram.oamhreferrals@nhs.scot

New eRostering SharePoint site The site is designed to support you to use the Optima eRostering suite effectively. It holds information and guidance on our eRostering products, including Optima, SafeCare, and Loop. [You can visit the site by following this link](#). Please consider bookmarking the site so you and your team can quickly access support if needed. We will add new resources and updates as these become available.

No filming posters now available Posters which advise filming/recording is not permitted are now available to order via Pecos. See example below, please use code ZA05275.



Special menus – ARI catering The cafes in the Orange and Pink Zone, and Aroma Cairngorm, are serving a St Patrick's Day menu today, of gammon, champ, cabbage, parsley sauce, and soda bread, for the bargain price of £6.

Next Tuesday (24 March) there will be a special menu in the Orange and Pink Zone cafes, to mark Eid al-Fitr. Again, £6 will get you lentil and chickpea harira, lamb meatballs or falafel, and spiced cous-cous.

Research Round Up The latest edition of this newsletter is out now [and available to read via this link](#).

NHS Grampian Charity The NHS Grampian Charity is our official charity and the only one supporting all patients and staff at all hospitals across the organisation. It is an independently registered charity with the Scottish Charity Regulator, looking after all the donations made to NHS Grampian to ensure they are spent in line with charity law and with the donor's wishes. [Visit the charity's intranet page via this link](#) to find out how you can apply for funds to support non-core activities to benefit patients in your area

Tune of the day Fiona Brebner (office manager in research and development) kicks off the covers today, suggesting CAKE's sublime take on [I Will Survive](#). Medical secretary Fiona McAllan comes up with a great suggestion for St Patrick's Day: Sinead O'Connor and Terry Hall (both much missed) giving their all to [All Kinds Of Everything](#), Dana's 1970 Eurovision winner, the first of seven victories for Ireland (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