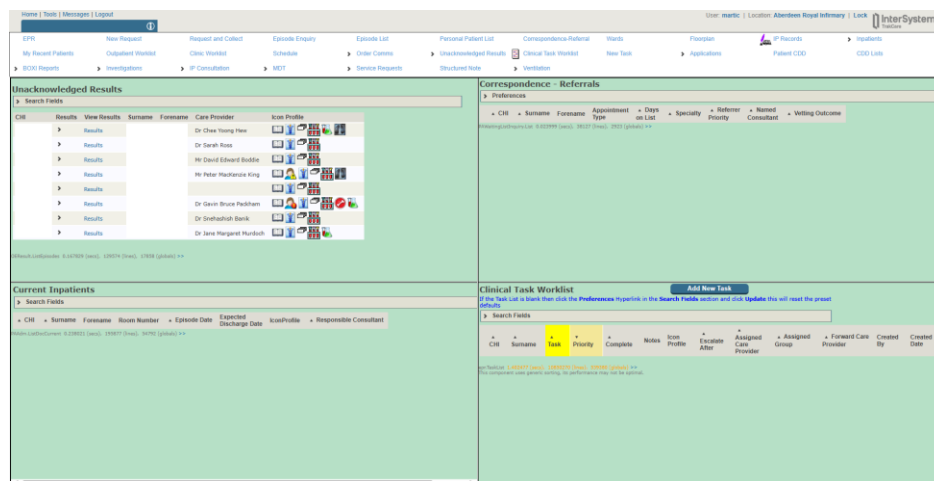


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Care of patients' property & valuables The guidance for the care of patients' property and valuables has been updated with input from colleagues in finance, nursing, and security and is available on [Grampian Guidance via this link](#) or by searching 'Care of patients' property and valuables'. There is no longer a flowchart, please refer to the updated guidance for the correct procedure. There should be notices displayed in all patient bays advising NHS Grampian cannot accept responsibility for patient belongings other than for valuable items which have been handed in for safe-keeping and a receipt obtained. It is important patients are aware of this, so they can arrange for family members to take home any items of value rather than having them on the ward.

TrakCare preferences – please check Following the recent TrakCare upgrade, some users have reported changes to their preferences. This can affect the time taken for the screens to display, including:

- Unacknowledged Results
- Current Inpatients
- Correspondence – Referrals



You may also notice missing information or slower system performance. If this is the case, please take the following steps:

- Check your preferences for the affected screens, [following the steps in this guide](#).
- If everything looks correct, try deleting and re-applying your preferences – this often resolves the issue.

If you are still experiencing issues, [please raise a helpdesk call via Service Now](#) (also available as a shortcut on all NHSG desktops) and the TrakCare team will assist you. This has been reported to the vendor, who is investigating further.

ICYMI - calling all Clinical Nurse Specialists You will be aware of significant changes upcoming both in Scotland, as Transforming Roles Paper 8 continues to be implemented, as well as via the NMC with regulation on the horizon for any nurse in advanced practice. However, nothing is imminent, and the CNS forum gives a space to reflect and support each other. Can we ask you to take a few minutes to [complete this anonymous survey](#)? It will let us know what you want to get from the CNS forum. There is also the opportunity to upload any competency frameworks you are working with. Not all areas will have these frameworks but with this scoping we can identify gaps so we can offer support. Please respond no later than 5 September.

Reproductive health & childbirth speciality group webinars A series of quarterly webinars, led by NHS Research Scotland, has been announced. The initiative is dedicated to advancing understanding and dialogue around reproductive health, pregnancy, and childbirth, through a research-focused lens. The first webinar is planned for Wednesday 17 September. For more information, or to present relevant research, please contact Annie Ganguly via anushree.ganguly@nhs.scot

The Veterans In-Service Injury Network The Veterans In-Service Injury Network (VISIN) is a Scottish Government initiative hosted by NHS Highland. VISIN will provide independent, expert clinical review of military service-related injuries, which remain a concern despite treatment, or conditions which develop earlier than expected due to military service. GPs, practice nurses, First Contact/ Primary Care/ Community physiotherapists and occupational therapists will be able to refer UK veteran patients to a multi-disciplinary team review with experts from various clinical specialities, as well as those with experience of service-related injuries. The MDT will provide recommendations for potential further treatment as well as details of MOD, local authority, public and third sector organisations that the veteran, referrer and GP could engage for tailored advice, guidance and support. If you would like to find out more, please contact the VISIN team on nhsh.visin@nhs.scot

NHS Grampian Charity Did you know the NHS Grampian Charity funds a broad range of research projects which aim to improve the health and wellbeing of the people of Grampian? The charity holds more than 40 dedicated research funds across various disciplines and medical conditions, including cancer, diabetes, gastroenterology, stroke and trauma. Funding applications for research projects can be made to these funds throughout the year, in addition to the charity's annual call for seed-funding research projects. The charity works closely with researchers from NHS Grampian, the University of Aberdeen, Robert Gordon University, and other institutions, to keep Grampian at the forefront of innovation. Want to find out more about how to apply for funding for a research project? Visit the [charity's Intranet site to learn more](#) (networked devices only)

Tune of the day It's not often I get to mark a triple celebration, but here we are! Lynne Daly is retiring from the Integrated Drug Service at Royal Cornhill after many years of valued work as a mental health nurse. She also recently got married to her partner Neil AND it was her birthday yesterday. To mark three such momentous occasions, here's De La Soul and [The Magic Number](#) (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