

Daily Brief...



Thursday 26 June 2025

Stage 4 escalation – update Our first meeting with Stephen Gallagher, the chair of the Assurance Board established as part of our escalation, took place last Friday. We understand this board will meet soon. Updates on their work will be shared via this Scottish Government webpage: [NHS Grampian Assurance Board - gov.scot](#) Meetings continue to take place between KPMG and executives/managers. We anticipate receiving an external 'diagnostic' report sometime in mid-July.

Good Financial Governance – fraud awareness We work in partnership with Counter Fraud Services to raise awareness on the risks of fraud in health & social care and provide advice and guidance on how to identify, prevent and report fraud. To assist in this process, we undertake periodically Fraud Awareness Surveys like this one: [NHS Grampian employee survey of fraud awareness](#). We'd be very grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete it.

We are expected to always put the interests of patients first, to be impartial and honest when doing our job, and ensure value for money when spending public funds. It is good practice to consider periodically whether any private financial or other relevant interest you have may give rise to a conflict of interest. To record these please complete the form here [NHSGRegister-of-Interests.xls](#) and submit to gram.corporateregister@nhs.scot. This form should also be used for all relevant interests or gifts including hospitality and any other benefits received either directly or indirectly from external parties in the course of your duties.

Equality & Human Rights Commission (EHRC) – consultation on code of practice The EHRC publishes a code of practice for services, public functions and associations. Following the Supreme Court judgement of 16 April they have made changes to that code of practice. A consultation on these changes began on 20 May and will run until 30 June. If you have not already taken the opportunity to take part, you can do so here: [Code of practice for services, public functions and associations: consultation 2025 | EHRC](#)

ECS Server Maintenance – today As previously shared the Wintel Servers which run ECS require patching. This is scheduled to take place today at 10am. During the patching of the server, ECS as a service will remain fully operational and available as usual. Should anyone lose their connection during the interruptions to ECS, a refresh of the browser should be done in the first instance which should hopefully resolve the connection quickly and avoid any unnecessary help desk calls. We apologise for the short notice. Thank you for your cooperation.

June payday arrangements Electronic payslips (ePayslip) will be released on tomorrow (27 June), with June monthly payday on Monday 30 June. Information concerning ePayslips can be found here (networked devices only) - [Pages - Self-Service \(scot.nhs.uk\)](https://scot.nhs.uk) As previously confirmed, colleagues on Agenda for Change contracts will receive the new rate of pay from this month. Arrears will be paid in July.

Tissue viability team newsletter The latest newsletter from the tissue viability team is available to read here: [Newsletter June 2025](#)

Tune of the day Jillian Evans from health intelligence makes today's request. The band she wished she'd seen? Joy Division. However, rather than request something from them, she's taking us in a different direction; one of the best bands she has seen was The Limiñanas, at a tiny venue in Glasgow. The song she's requested? [The Gift](#), featuring one Peter Hook, once of Joy Division. And thus, the circle is complete! (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