

Daily Brief...



Tuesday 3 June 2025

Loop & EOL closure The rollout of Loop continues, with approximately 60% of users already transitioned to Loop. As previously advised, technical support for Employee OnLine (EOL) ceased on 30 May and access to it will be withdrawn on **23 June**. This means it will not be available to use after this date. Activity such as viewing shifts, requesting annual leave, and booking bank shifts must take place via Loop instead. If you are an EOL user and have not yet moved to Loop, please do so without delay. A video guide to signing up for Loop is available on YouTube here: [Loop - signing up on the app](#), and [full guidance on Loop can be found here](#) (networked devices only).

Drop-in support sessions will be held this week as follows: Today (Tuesday), Level 5 Teaching Room, Green Zone, ARI 11.30am-1.30pm, and Pink Zone Cafe, ARI 11.30am-2pm; Friday 6 June, Library, Royal Cornhill Hospital, 10am-2pm. Support can also be requested via the Loop inbox at gram.loopsupport@nhs.scot. Please email from your NHS email address, and include a note of your name, work unit, staff number (if available), and a screenshot or description of the issue you have encountered.

Disposal of paper towels in food bins Our new waste contracts mean those sites with food bins can now dispose of paper towels, either wet or dry, into the food waste stream. Diverting paper towels from black bag into food waste streams will have a very positive impact on our recycling rates, is a more environmentally friendly disposal option and could save in disposal costs.

It can be problematic moving bagged food wastes to exterior collection bins, meaning it is not feasible to have food waste caddies in every department. However, if you don't currently have food waste disposal options at your place of work and would like to discuss if it is possible, please contact NHS Grampian Waste Manager: Neil.Duncan3@nhs.scot

Only flush the Three Ps! While we're discussing disposal, this is a good time to remind everyone to only flush pee, poo, and (toilet) paper. Paper towels, wipes of all kinds, and period products should never be flushed; instead use the appropriate bin.

Adult Support & Protection training – Thursday 12 June Spaces are available on an upcoming Multi-Agency Specialist Adult Support & Protection Training (previously known as Level 3 or Module 3). Delivered via Teams, the training will take place on Thursday 12 June, between 9.30am-1pm. This training is suitable for anyone who might be involved in Adult Support and Protection activities including attending case conferences, contributing to investigations, risk assessment or protection planning. This training brings together a range of professionals to work through an unfolding case study using a variety of interactive activities and exercises. [Places can be booked via Turas](#) (log-in required). If this date isn't suitable, there are further trainings on 28 August and 11 November.

‘Moving Forward Together’ - manual handling event We’re pleased to confirm the return of our manual handling study day. Taking place on 18 November at The Aberdeen Dyce Hotel, this event is open to all NHS, HSCP, and third-party care colleagues. Thanks to industry sponsorship it is free to attend. As well as guest speakers and workshops, there will be an opportunity to see and test the latest manual handling equipment. The event opens at 8.45am and runs until 4pm. Lunch is provided. Registration is via Turas (log-in required): [Moving and Handling Study Day | Turas | Learn](#)

New locations to collect hearing aid batteries in Aberdeen From next Monday (9 June) those wearing NHS hearing aids will be able to get their free replacement batteries (sizes 13, 312, and 675 only) from more sites in Aberdeen. All they need to do is take their battery letter to any city library (check with individual sites for their opening hours) or Danestone Community Centre (Wednesdays, 10.30am-5pm) to pick up replacement batteries. This is in addition to existing collection points at Woodend Hospital (Audiology department), North-East Sensory Services on John Street, the vaccination & wellbeing hub in the Bon-Accord Centre, and at the Health Village on Frederick Street

NHS Grampian Charity Did you know that NHS Grampian Charity is the official charity of NHS Grampian, and is the only charity that supports all patients and staff at all hospitals across Grampian? They are an independently registered charity with the Scottish Charity Regulator and look 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.

Volunteer's Week 2025 We want to use this annual campaign to pay tribute to the small army of volunteers who do so much to support us, day in and day out. From the wayfinding teams at ARI and DGH, to the infant feeding support at AMH, from the play helpers at RACH to those volunteering with our many charity partners, we would be lost without them!

Thank you also to those of you who volunteer in your own communities. Guides, Scouts, coaching a football team, or helping in a community cafe; whatever it is you do, you are giving the precious gift of your time and that deserves recognition.

Tune of the day Lydia Henderson (corporate communications) makes today’s request, asking for Ghost and [Missilia Amori](#) for no other reason than they’re one of her favourite bands (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