

Daily Brief...



Tuesday 9 June 2026

Board meeting – this Thursday [Papers for this week's board meeting are now available via this link.](#)

Among the papers are 'De-escalation Criteria' and an 'Update on The Baird and ANCHOR Project'. Current programme dates for The ANCHOR Centre set out opening for patients in December 2026 (may go into Q1 of 2027), and for handover of The Baird Family Hospital in September 2027. Whilst risks to this programme remain, the Board would like to recognise the commitment and effort continuing to take place towards delivering these vitally important buildings.

Orange Zone cafe - ARI - update on closure plans In order to ensure appropriate vending machines are available, the withdrawal of a full meal service in the Orange Zone cafe has been postponed until Friday 31 July. This means the cafe will continue to provide a full hot and cold menu until that date, with the usual opening hours of 7.30am-2.30pm, Monday-Friday. It will become a 24/7 staff rest area, with access to microwaves and vending machines from Monday 3 August. We apologise for the delay and any confusion.

Public Protection data focus report –Q3 edition now available The Public Protection Team has published their latest quarterly Data Focus Report, designed to offer a concise overview of key trends and emerging themes in child protection and adult protection activity across our region. This report is a shorter, more accessible companion to the full quarterly dataset and is aimed at supporting reflection, learning, and conversation across services.

[The report is available via this intranet link](#); if you would prefer the report sent to you directly, please contact gram.cptraining@nhs.scot. We encourage you to share the report with your teams and networks. Your engagement with this information helps strengthen our collective understanding and response to child protection needs across the system.

Medicine efficiency – we want your ideas We are looking for practical, evidence informed, ideas promoting the safe and effective use of medicines, reducing waste and improving value for patients and the organisation. Suggestions may include small, local improvements or larger-scale opportunities. They must focus on delivering measurable financial benefits, focussing on the current financial year, and uphold high standards of patient care.

All ideas submitted will be considered through appropriate governance processes and may be taken forward for wider use across the organisation. [More information and a link to the form to submit your ideas can be found via this intranet link.](#)

Learning at Work Week 2026 Thank you to everyone who made our first Learning at Work week such a success! Did you miss something, or maybe you want to have another look? [Follow this link](#) to view our LAW newsletter. It includes recordings from all live sessions, practical ideas, and additional resources to support your learning. From wellbeing and motivation to digital tools and everyday numeracy, there's something for everyone. Take a look, revisit your favourites, or explore something new—there are many ways to learn!

Research and Development update Two peer-reviewed journal papers have been published in June and March respectively to support prioritisation. [The first one, available via this link](#), analysed Public Health Scotland data to understand which diseases especially affect Grampian; the second one, which [can be read by following this link](#), uses a participatory approach to understand our stakeholders' views.

NHS Grampian Charity Did you know the NHS Grampian Charity supports projects and activities of all sizes? From small one-off activities and items to large multi-year test of change projects, charitable funding helps teams explore new and innovative ways to enhance health and wellbeing across Grampian. If your team has an idea you'd like to discuss, why not join our virtual drop-in session to learn more and chat to one of our team? The drop-in is available on Teams every Thursday between 10-11am. [The joining information is available via this link](#).

Tune of the day Jackie Wilson was born on this day in 1934. [Reet Petite](#)? I very much think so! (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