

Core brief

Daily COVID-19 update (10 April 2020, 5:35pm)

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Easter PPE stock

The team continues to work tirelessly to secure appropriate quantities of quality PPE for all staff across all areas of the organisation - both from National Procurement and wider sources.

Over the last few days this has focused on gearing up for the holiday weekend. Whilst short supply of certain items remains a key challenge, enough PPE has been ordered and is being distributed.

Within our acute settings you may notice a build-up of PPE at the entrances to wards – There is enough stock to cover the Easter break (Friday – Monday) and we would ask staff to remember to follow correct PPE guidelines and ensure stock is used appropriately over the course of the bank holiday. Unfortunately staff are reporting the disappearance of some of the stock outside wards. This is being investigated as these products are vital for the health and safety of all our colleagues.

PPE Appeals and donations

We appreciate the initiative of colleagues in appealing for the production of visors from schools and businesses as part of our response, and we have been inundated with offers. However, the safety of our staff is absolutely paramount and we must ensure the quality of the product meets requirements. As such we would ask that if you are approached regarding offers of visors, that you please send the details onto our Procurement team who can confirm whether the visors are required, fit for purpose, and what the next steps would be.

The dedicated email is as follows: COVID-19@GGCprocurementcustomerservices.zendesk.com

A message from our Director of Nursing

Dr Margaret McGuire, Director of Nursing for NHSGGC, has sent this [personal video message](#) to all colleagues as we work together to respond to COVID-19. This includes highlighting new guidance available to help and support staff in relation to end of life care visiting, care of the deceased, and bereavement support. The guidance is available to view [here](#).



Interim Board Meeting

A review has been undertaken of our governance processes at this extraordinary time and an Interim Board has been established. The interim Board is made up of 10 members of the regular Board and is tasked with all delegated Board functions during the ongoing public health emergency. This was put in place to give necessary assurance and oversight during the pandemic and to support our response to COVID-19, ensuring that the safety of our patients and staff remains paramount and that the health and safety of all involved in the Board's governance processes is protected. The first interim Board meeting took place through video link on Wednesday 8th April.

The following key issues were discussed at the meeting. The minutes will be published next week on the NHSGGC website:

- COVID-19 update
- Level 4 Escalation update
- GP Out of Hours
- Performance Overview
- Finance Overview

In closing, we wish you all a happy Easter and would like to leave you with a video from some of staff across our [sites](#).



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