

Core brief

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DAILY REMINDER: Don't Spread the Virus at Work or Home

Be mindful of COVID-19 transmission routes. Avoid touching your face including; your mouth, eyes, nose or biting your nails after touching surfaces or objects.

Test and Protect

Contact Tracing is an essential part of NHSScotland's response to COVID-19.

The role of Test and Protect is to identify who people have been in contact with during the period they have been infectious.

If a patient has been admitted to hospital following a positive result then Test and Protect needs to speak to the patient, if they are well enough, or their family to ensure that contacts outside the hospital are identified and advised to isolate.

When Test and Protect call an NHSGGC ward they will identify themselves and offer a number for wards to call back if they have any concerns. The calls will show as from 0141 228 9900 or 0800 030 8012 or from an unknown Mobile.

The service will identify the patient by name and be able to provide patient details such as CHI / DOB and the date of their test.

It is important that wards provide information to ensure families and friends are contacted as quickly and as sensitively as possible. We ask that all wards work with the service to ensure people who have been in contact with someone who has tested positive are isolating and we continue to reduce opportunities for transmission of the virus within our communities.

Life on the Frontline – Alison O'Prey

During the height of the first wave of the COVID pandemic, [Alison O'Prey, Critical Care Pharmacist](#), was seconded to the RAH in a new role with increased responsibilities.

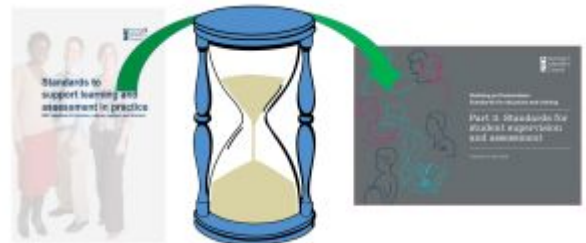
Alison explained: "There are many things to be proud of but I feel really proud of how we have banded together to work as a team. In RAH the ICU team worked efficiently to set up multiple new ICUs to help support with the rapidly increasing number of COVID admissions. I feel myself and the three other critical

care pharmacy teams in Glasgow worked closely together and with other colleagues, to ensure a continued supply of critical medicines when there was an exponential increase in demand, not only in Scotland but worldwide!”



For those who support student nurses – It’s TIME to TRANSITION to the new NMC roles

In 2018 the NMC published new [standards for student supervision and assessment](#) which outline the new roles of practice supervisor and practice assessor. These replaced the role of mentor, sign off mentor and practice teacher. Since 1 September 2020 all students on placements within NHSGGC require to have a nominated practice supervisor and a nominated practice assessor.



A [transition checklist](#) has been developed to help mentors, sign off mentors and practice teachers map their current knowledge, skills and experience to the new roles. This document must be completed before supporting students in practice.

Visit our Future Nurse and Midwife [website](#) for further information on the transition process and the new NMC standards which also contains a link to our short audio [podcasts](#).

[Contact](#) the Practice Education team (PEFs and CHEFs) who would be delighted to answer any queries or offer support around this.

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