

Core brief

Daily update
(12 May 2021, 5.30pm)

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International Nurses Day celebrations

Today we have seen staff across NHSGGC celebrate International Nurses Day (see below for a small selection of photos).

As well as lots of cake our staff have celebrated in truly unique ways including dressing up in 1960s nursing uniforms, a piper played outside the garden at the Spinal Injuries Unit, a poem was written in celebration of colleagues, a big tree of life or 'Giving Hands' mural erected in the atrium at Neuro and patient and artist, Allan Dewar, presented some of our nurses with portraits he did of them.

This past year we have seen what incredible lengths our nurses go to for their patients and colleagues. They have been through some of the toughest times any nurse will have to face, but again and again they have provided outstanding care in the most demanding of circumstances.

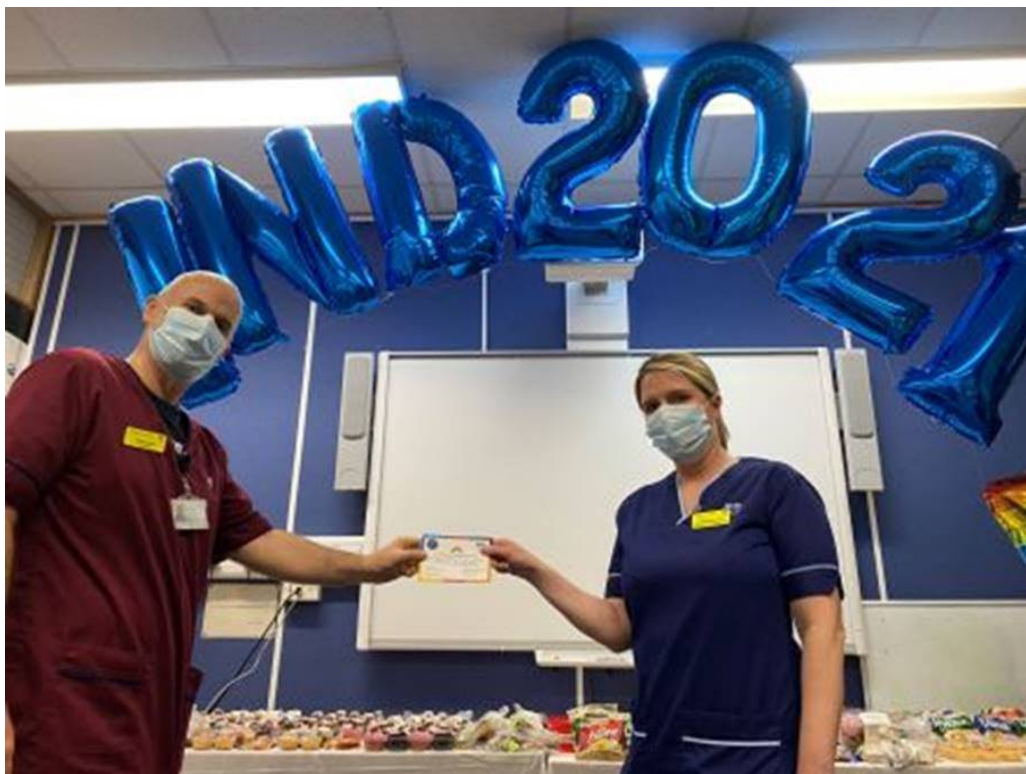
We are proud to have shared this special day with you and give you recognition for the incredible work you do.



Chief Nurse John Carson gives Lead Nurse Liz Thomson her badge for exceptional service during the pandemic



Some of the Institute of Neurosciences critical care team



Chief Nurse, John Carson, gives a COVID exceptional service badge to Interim Lead Senior Charge Nurse, Debbie McCoach at IND celebrations at GRI

Office 365 training opportunity

A range of training on Office 365 is now available through the months of May and June, on Tuesdays and Thursdays. To see the timetable, the topics covered, and self-register please visit the 0365 Knowledge Centre Training page: [Training \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

Green Health and Active Travel

Cycling is not only good for your health, but it also saves you time and money and is much better for the environment. Through the Cycle to Work scheme you can save between 25-39% on a brand-new bike and accessories and spread the cost over 6 or 12 months through your salary. With an upper limit of £4,000 even more staff can become regular cyclists and afford higher-priced items like e-bikes and have the opportunity to explore cycling as an option for their commute.

Walking and cycling maps are available for all our acute sites. The maps can help staff, visitors and outpatients identify walking and cycling routes, public transport options and access points surrounding our acute sites. They also have information on staff changing facilities and secure cycle storage options. NHSGGC walking and cycling maps are available [here](#).

NHSGGC have a Bicycle User Group (BUG) for staff. Please contact TravelPo@ggc.scot.nhs.uk if you wish to be added to the BUG distribution list and be kept informed of initiatives and relevant cycling information for NHSGGC staff. Information on planning the optimal cycle route that suits you, is available at www.cyclestreets.net

The Travel Plan Office can also provide information and guidance for staff on annual public transport season ticket options.

For more information on the Cycle to Work scheme, please [click here](#) or contact Travel Plan Office at travelpo@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

[Click here for more information.](#)

Lateral Flow Tests - Available to all staff working on site

Speak to your line manager about where to collect your test kit, then:

Register
your kit

Test
twice per week

Record
your results

Keep your colleagues and patients safe from COVID-19

Help stop the spread!

Visit: www.nhsggc.org.uk/lfd-stafftesting

Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at: www.nhsggc.org.uk/covid19. If you have any questions about the current situation please check the [FAQs](#) first. If you have any further questions, please email: staff.covid19@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

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