

Core brief

Daily update
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Maximising iMatter

It will soon be iMatter time again with the first cohort starting on 9 August. iMatter gives every member of staff the opportunity to play a part in improving how we work within our local teams and the wider NHSGGC organisation through the sharing of our personal experiences.

There has been a number of ideas and initiatives taken forward following feedback from the iMatter survey so it really is worthwhile for staff to fill in the survey when it opens to your directorate/partnership.

Over the coming weeks we will highlight some of the positive feedback which have been taken on board by local teams and today we are starting with the Community Diabetes Team at Inverclyde HSCP.

At their iMatter action planning session the team felt it was important that one of their improvement actions focussed on supporting patients.

Their purpose was to improve the engagement and uptake from patients at group education sessions which were developed for people newly diagnosed with Type 2 Diabetes.

Throughout NHSGGC the uptake of this same group education session is comparable with Inverclyde, which is approximately 40%. However, following their discussion at the iMatter action planning session, they worked together to determine a number of actions to support uptake.

Implementing these actions has resulted in a 30-40% increase in uptake at the education sessions, with overall attendance now at 64%, a fantastic increase!

So don't miss your chance to provide feedback and help implement change for the better for yourself and your patients and take the short time to fill in your iMatter survey.



GGC Medicines Update

If you're a healthcare professional and work with medicines, then the GGC Medicines Update is for you!

GGC Medicines Update is a series of blogs with medicines related messages. The blogs are aimed at all healthcare professionals across NHSGGC and are produced under the editorial guidance of the multidisciplinary Communications subcommittee of the Area Drug and Therapeutics Committee (ADTC).

The blogs are published on the GGC Medicines website: <https://ggcmedicines.org.uk/blog/medicines-update/> and app (available on Google Play or the App Store).

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Medicines Update is also on Twitter @NHSGGCMeds. Please follow, like and share blogs of interest with your colleagues.

See examples of recently published Medicines Update blogs below:

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- [Dapagliflozin for Symptomatic Chronic Heart Failure with Reduced Ejection Fraction](#)
- [Delirium: Medication Review in Acute Feb 21](#)
- [Linezolid Adult Protocol Update](#)

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Social Distancing – Remember to adhere to Maximum Occupancy

As part of the social distancing control measures in place, the maximum occupancy of rooms and offices should be displayed on the doors. Please check the occupancy limits on entry (including lifts) and do not breach the maximum number.

Managers should ensure that the number of chairs in an area does not exceed the maximum occupancy. Excess chairs should be removed from the area or taped off to avoid use.

For shared rooms, such as meeting rooms and rest areas, managers should liaise with each other to ensure the risk assessed control measures are maintained.

Information relation to Social Distancing can be found [here](#). If you have any ideas to improve Social Distancing practice, please share with your line manager and email here:

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