

Thursday 3 August 2023

RAAC update Thank you to everyone who attended today's second virtual information session. If you were unable to attend, [you can watch it in full here](#). The FAQ has been updated following the session and the latest version is stored alongside the Daily Brief library: [NHSG Staff Daily Briefs \(nhsgrampian.org\)](#)

There are a couple of points we want to highlight, following these sessions. Firstly, the Civil Contingencies team are here to support with any business continuity planning support you may need, whether due to RAAC, or any other issue. You can contact them via gram.cct@nhs.scot Secondly, we want to underline that you, your teams, and your safety are the priority. Whether you are working in an area identified for a RAAC survey or not, building safety is important. Please keep reporting any concerns or issues [via the Estates Helpdesk](#). We will continue to provide updates on RAAC as we have them. There are no further information sessions planned for the moment, but we are happy to arrange more if requested.

HCPC registration renewals Members of the Health & Care Professions Council (HCPC) are required to renew their registration every two years. The current registration renewal windows are as follows:

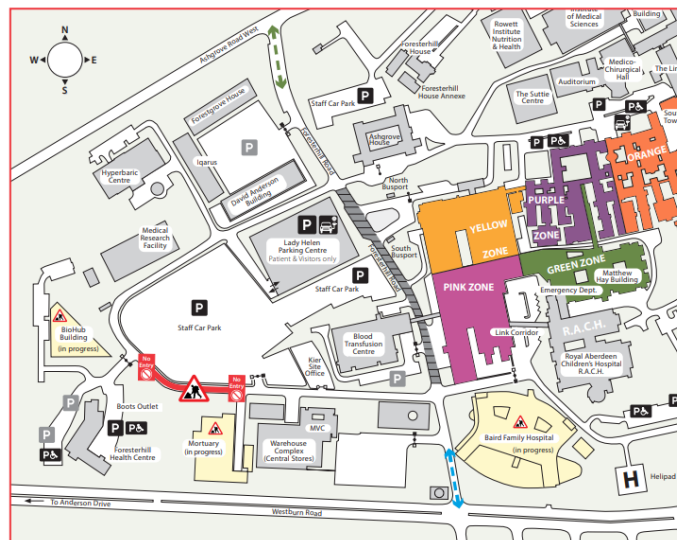
- Orthoptists (deadline: 31 August 2023)
- Paramedics (deadline: 31 August 2023)
- Clinical scientists (deadline: 30 September 2023)
- Prosthetists/orthotists (deadline: 30 September 2023)
- Speech and language therapists (deadline: 30 September 2023)
- Occupational therapists (deadline: 31 October 2023)

Renewing your registration with any professional body is your responsibility; a lapsed professional registration will impact on your ability to work. There is more information on the HCPC website here: [Registration renewals | \(hcpc-uk.org\)](#)

Patient catering update Due to a shortage in suitable potatoes, and significant price increases from suppliers, we have had to source alternative produce. All boiled potatoes will be skin on in the coming weeks. There are some patients for whom this will not be suitable. Patients on Ward 104 (GI Ward) and on Texture Modified Level 4-Level 6 diets will be provided with mashed potato instead. **All** areas must continue to report any patients on Low Fibre or Low Residue diets to the catering team. They will also be given mashed potatoes as an alternative. The team apologise for any inconvenience, these circumstances are outwith their control.

Exam results As the parents and carers among you will be well aware, SQA exam results will be published next Tuesday (8 August). As usual, the Skills Development Scotland advice line will be available on 0808 100 8000, 8am-8pm on 8/9 August, then 9am-5pm on 10/11 August.

Reminder – Foresterhill road closures From **9am tomorrow (Friday)**, until **6pm on Monday 7 August** a section of the Loop Road will be closed for essential works – see image below. If you need access to the multi-storey, BioHub building, or Foresterhill Health Centre, please enter the site from Ashgrove Road West only (green arrows); access to the staff car park is from Westburn Road only (blue arrows). Please remember only buses and emergency vehicles may use the shaded section of Foresterhill Road, otherwise no through traffic is allowed.



Justice of the Peace recruitment The Scottish Courts & Tribunals Service are recruiting new Justices of the Peace (JPs) in Grampian. JPs are lay judges who sit in the summary criminal JP Courts in Scotland along with a legally qualified adviser who provides them with advice on law, practice and procedure. The lay judge decides on guilt or innocence following trials and the sentence to be imposed. JPs come from a wide range of backgrounds and occupations and the JP role offers successful candidates an excellent personal development opportunity. Full training is provided and people from all backgrounds are invited to apply. For more information, please email JPRecruitmentapplicationrequests@gov.scot

Tune of the day Move over Four Weddings & a Funeral, today we have Two Retirements & Three Birthdays. Sheila Brownie and Lynda Glass (both based in The Mearns) are retiring from their roles as healthcare support worker and District Nurse respectively. For Sheila we have [Barbie World](#) by Nicki Minaj & Ice Spice, for Lynda [Stairway to Heaven](#) by Led Zeppelin. Onto the birthdays, and Yvonne Munro, part of the domestic team at Seafeld Hospital, is celebrating today, as is Corporate Communication's very own Pauline Mckenzie. Alison Manson in the Moray Discharge to Assess team has a big birthday on Sunday; as today is her last working day, we'll go with her colleagues' request of [Can the Can](#) by Suzi Quatro and give Alison away by letting you know this was released the year she was born (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