

Here is the brief for Thursday 11 February 2021.

COVID-19 vaccination programme – 100,000 vaccinated We are delighted to say that the number of people in Grampian who have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine passed 100,000 earlier today. Katrina Morrison, Clinical Lead Nurse for COVID-19 vaccination, said: “The progress we have made in the vaccine programme to date is phenomenal and the product of an enormous team effort. On behalf of the planning team, I want to say an enormous thank you to:

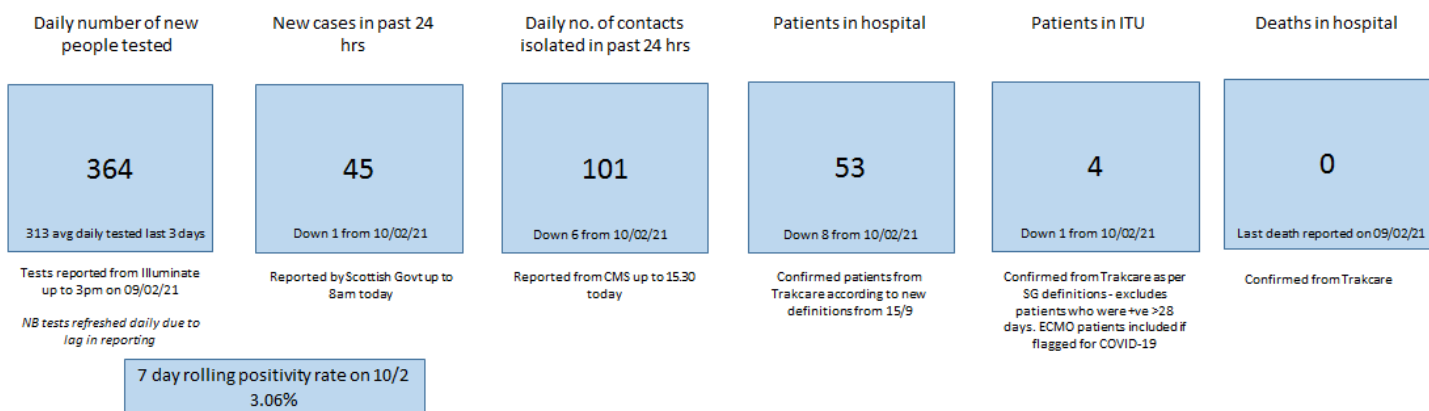
- ALL our vaccinators, working in clinics in Aberdeenshire, Moray, and Aberdeen City, and ALL the support staff working alongside them,
- Our pharmacy colleagues, for their expert advice and support,
- The community nurses in Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire, and Moray, who’ve worked through really tough conditions this week to provide immunisation to housebound and vulnerable residents,
- GPs and their teams for their work on vaccinating our over 80 population and their ongoing support,
- Our colleagues in the Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire, and Moray Health & Social Care Partnerships,
- All the teams working behind the scenes in HR, payroll, rostering, Practice Education, admin, contact centres, and logistics, who have helped get the programme up and running,
- The team at P&J Live at TECA for their work on the mass vaccination centre
- All venue support staff/volunteers at our clinics who give every person coming to be vaccinated a warm welcome,
- Our Armed Forces colleagues for their additional support,
- Our council colleagues, who have worked hard to keep the roads clear,
- The team at THInC – and all the transport providers – who have helped get people to appointments.
- And last, but not least, the people of Grampian who have shown great willingness to roll up their sleeve and get vaccinated.

“There is still a lot of hard work to be done. It’s our sincere hope that we can keep this performance going, but this is based on vaccine supply, recruitment of staff, and public support of the programme. Supply and staffing are things we as a board will monitor; the public can help us by coming out to get vaccinated and helping us all move beyond the pandemic.”

Donning & Doffing PPE It is important that staff follow the correct procedure and sequence for the Donning and Doffing of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The correct doffing order prevents transmission e.g. “doff gloves, then aprons”. The full procedure can be found in the National Infection Prevention & Control Manual NIPCM via the Infection Prevention & Control Team intranet webpage or by clicking [here](#). Remember, there is training available (via Teams) every Tuesday at 11am. You can book your place by emailing gram.ipc-donn-doff-training@nhs.scot

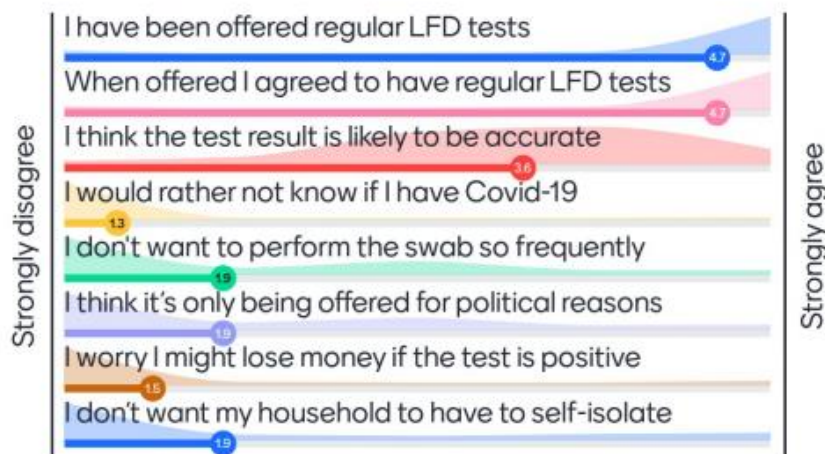
Opportunity - Scottish Quality & Safety Fellowship programme Applications for the 13th Cohort of the Scottish Quality and Safety Fellowship are now open! Applications close at 10am on Friday 26th March 2021. Further information about the Fellowship, who it is for and how to apply can be found on the QI Zone [here](#)

Grampian data The local figures for today and the 7 day rolling positivity rate are shown below. If you click [here](#) you can visit the Public Health Scotland website, which includes neighbourhood figures for all local authority areas in Scotland.



Question of the day Yesterday we asked you about the twice weekly asymptomatic staff testing, using lateral flow devices. We wanted to understand how many of you were participating and if there were any barriers to participation. As of 15:30 today, 191 of you had answered and the responses were as follows:

Today we would like to ask our health and social care staff about their views on regular asymptomatic LFD staff testing.



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We are keen to gather as much information as we can on this topic, so we are leaving this question open. If you've not had a chance to participate, you can do so by clicking [here](#) or copying this link into your browser: <https://www.menti.com/cestmp8zux>

Thought for the day Our thought today comes from Brené Brown. A big thank you to Alzheimer Scotland Nurse Consultant Lyn Irvine for sending this in – she said: “I think it is very apt for staff, colleagues, families, patients and our wider communities at the moment, as we seek to lean so heavily on our own ‘self’ in these challenging times.”



Questions to ask? Information to share? If you have particular questions – or are aware of questions coming from friends and family – please share them with us. We may not be able to answer every question and it may take us time to get a proper answer, but we will endeavour to respond and share the answers. You can get in touch with us via gram.communications@nhs.scot. Please also use that email address if you have items for consideration for future briefs.