Introduction

This issue brings you information about improving junior doctors’ working lives, we join Pride for sixth year, patient identifiable data, Chairman’s Awards and SpeakUp! Our pharmacy waste campaign.

Improving junior doctors’ working lives

Employment arrangements for Scotland’s junior doctors and dentists are to be simplified from August, reducing administrative burdens for them.

Junior doctors and dentists move around some of Scotland’s 22 health boards as part of their training. However, to date each time they move they have to change employer. This is time-consuming, and can cause problems for things like mortgages, tax codes, and access to employee service based schemes.

Under the new arrangements, trainees will carry on working where they are, but for administrative purposes, the 22 Health Board employers are being reduced to four, with trainees benefitting from having one employer for the duration of their training programme. This will apply initially to Junior Doctors, but will later include Dentists in Training. Click here to read more.

We join Pride Glasgow festival for sixth year in a row

We are again joining the Pride Glasgow festival, Scotland’s largest Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual, Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI) celebration this weekend at the city’s Kelvingrove Park.

Though the emphasis is on fun, there is a serious side. LGBTI people still experience persecution and discrimination. There are countries where being in a same-sex relationship is considered a serious crime and in a few it’s punishable by death. Click here to read more.

Message from eHealth - Providing patient identifiable data (PID) to the IT Service Desk

To comply with the Data Protection Act, 2018, we need to ensure that only the minimum patient identifiable data necessary is initially shared with the IT Service Desk when you are logging a query or problem.

Also, Patient Name should not be put in the subject line of any emails. This is fully explained at: https://security.scot.nhs.uk/communicating-with-the-nhs-scotland-it-service-desk/

For further information please contact: ITSecurity@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

Chairman’s Awards
You only have a few weeks left to get your entries in for this year’s Chairman's Awards.

The awards are totally unique this year, never again will you get the chance to win a special Platinum Award in celebration of the NHS 70th Anniversary.

To enter click here.

Are your contact details up-to-date? Click here to check