What's Happening at the NHS Louisa Jordan?

This bulletin will provide updates from the new medical facility being established at the Scottish Events Campus (SEC) in Glasgow, as part of NHSScotland’s response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Building work

As of this week, there is a combined total of more than 700 contractors as well as NHSScotland clinical and operational staff now on site. All are working around the clock to make sure the facility is ready to support people across Scotland should it be required.

Initially this will have capacity for 300 patients but will have the capability to expand to accommodate over 1,000. This will be on a phased basis if required and will be able to care for higher dependency patients if they should deteriorate.

Work began on Tuesday 31 March, and since then 23,000 square meters of flooring have been laid, partitions between the beds have been constructed and 8,000 pieces of medical equipment have been ordered. There is also a brand new, bespoke, system for oxygen supply to every bed put in place at this unique facility.

A brand-new sign has also been put in place at the entrance of the campus to reflect that it is now an NHS site.

Completion of NHS Louisa Jordan is scheduled for mid-April 2020.

Workforce

In addition, to the NHS teams on site, a number of staff have contributed their expertise to developing our workforce models. This has allowed us to develop robust
models for staff numbers, incorporating a diverse skill mix across clinical and non-clinical, to ensure we will be ready with inducted and trained staff if required to open.

This model will be a Deployment Pathway which and will be agreed with NHS Boards.

We would also like to say thank you to the tremendous support we have had from NHS boards and all our partners in making this possible.

Clinical

Following consultation and extensive work from a wide range of staff, we have made significant progress on our clinical modelling. This has allowed us to pull together a model of care that integrates with NHS Boards across the country. More information will be distributed shortly.

Thank you

Sincere thanks to everyone working together around the clock for their professionalism and ‘can do attitude’ under such exceptional circumstances.

Information

To keep up to date on the progress of NHS Louisa Jordan please follow Twitter account @NHSLouisaJordan