Daily update
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Medical training partnership announced in Glasgow

A number of organisations involved in the training of healthcare professionals have joined forces in a partnership to enhance access to professional skills and education facilities across Glasgow. The Healthcare Skills and Simulation Collaborative involves NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, NHS Education Scotland (NES), NHS Golden Jubilee, and NHS Lanarkshire.

The partnership will open up opportunities for healthcare professionals including doctors in training, and those in more senior roles, to access world class clinical training in dedicated spaces that have been designed to mimic a real hospital environment. The simulation facilities have been kitted out with hospital beds and equipment, with anatomical models specially designed for teaching healthcare professionals.

Dr Jennifer Armstrong, Medical Director, said: “We invest heavily in providing world-class training and development for new doctors as they embark on a career committed to providing the very best in patient care. We’re delighted to be supporting this new facility, which will complement the skills and experience they will achieve through working at sites across Greater Glasgow and Clyde.”

Dr Lindsay Donaldson, Director of Medical Education, said: “At NHSGGC we are currently welcoming 252 new doctors with our induction programme which includes simulation training and we look forward to working with them on our wards in the weeks ahead. The last 16 months have seen many changes in how we approach training and innovations such as this are very much at the forefront of providing opportunities which will improve skills and outcomes for patients.”

Recent medical graduates about to start their hospital careers as Foundation Year doctors will be among the first to use some of the new facilities as they begin their induction programme at the newly kitted out facility at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow this week.

Social Distancing Champions

To help support Social Distancing across NHSGGC we introduced the opportunity to be a Social Distancing Champion. The purpose of having champions in place is to help promote good practice, and continue to raise awareness of social distancing requirements and support staff members with adhering to guidance while at work.

There are over 100 Social Distancing Champions in place across NHSGGC supporting staff in maintaining social distance and staying safe.
It is important that all staff are aware that two metre social distance still applies within our place of work and includes break areas and eating places.

We ask all staff to be respectful towards our colleagues who are undertaking this role, they are there to help keep you safe. If a champion approaches you to discuss social distance practice, please welcome their advice and be mindful of the role they are undertaking.

It is important that we continue to maintain good social distance practice throughout our working period.

If you would like to become a Social Distancing Champion, email: SDCommsGroup@ggc.scot.nhs.uk. For more information on Social Distancing, click here.

We are asking Line Managers to discuss the champion role with their team and identify staff who would be willing to take up this role. Click here for more information on the Line Managers brief.

Please keep up-to-date with the latest guidance on our dedicated web pages at: www.nhsggc.org.uk/covid19. If you have any questions about the current situation please check the FAQs first. If you have any further questions, please email: staff.covid19@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

***Staff are reminded to make sure their personal contact details are up to date on eESS.***