**Daily update**  
*(27 October 2021, 3.45pm)*

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**Act now and get ready for COP26**

Some of the main road closures, including the closure of the Clyde-side Expressway and Clyde Arc are now in place. Anyone travelling in and around Glasgow must now plan ahead to ensure reaching their destination in time. Some delegates and those planning to protest are arriving now and with more than 25,000 people expected to attend the UN Climate Conference between 31 October and 12 November, there will be a high level of disruption before, during and after the event.

Strike action on Scotland’s railways is scheduled to begin from 1 November. There may be unscheduled protests which block roads or cause other significant disruption. You must act now to plan ahead. Watch this video that details some of the expected impacts of COP26 and how you can get ahead: [NHSGGC Staff - UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) Travel Information - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=77)

Have you checked the staff FAQs? A number of questions which services and staff may have in relation to NHSGGC operations and how they might be impacted by COP26 have been produced. These are available at: [NHSGGC: COP26 Climate Conference](https://www.nhs.ggc.scot.nhs.uk/cop26).

Remember to carry your staff ID with you at all times to access your own facility and any others you have to attend.

You can keep up to date on all COP26 arrangements by visiting: [www.getreadyglasgow.com](http://www.getreadyglasgow.com)

For a useful round-up on COP26 disruptions on the BBC website, visit: [COP26: How are road closures affecting Glasgow? - BBC News](http://www.bbc.co.uk)

**NHSGGC Flying Start NQP Signifier Badge**

Have you recently joined NHSGGC as a newly qualified nurse, midwife or allied health professional (AHP)? If so, have you received your NQP signifier badge, which the Nurse Director and AHP Director have introduced? These should be worn during your first 12 months in practice, as you work through the Flying Start NHS programme. If you have not received this, please discuss with your line manager or the practice education facilitator (PEF) who supports your area of practice.

Queries can also be directed to the relevant Practice Education team:  
practiceeducation@ggc.scot.nhs.uk (Nurses and Midwives) or  
ggc.ginjahpepl@nhs.scot (AHPs).
Physical Distancing with NHSGGC

As a reminder to staff, two metre Physical Distancing remains in place across NHSGGC, this includes the following areas: office spaces, general circulation spaces such as lift halls, foyer areas, canteen, shops, lecture halls, meeting rooms, office spaces outside clinical areas (this list is not exhaustive).

All individuals in these common circulating spaces (staff, patients, visitors, contractors, volunteers) must wear face masks/coverings in line with Scottish Government guidance or FRSM in line with extended use of FRSM policy. Where staff remove FRSMs for any reason e.g. eating, drinking, changing, staff are to maintain two metre physical distancing.

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: HR.Support@ggc.scot.nhs.uk.

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