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**Preceptorship** 'Best Practice' guidelines for preceptorship for all nurses, midwives, AHPs and HCSWs are now available. To access these guidelines please visit the intranet page- 'Practice Education' -> then either 'Nursing and Midwifery', 'AHP' or 'HCSW' button -> 'Preceptorship'. Practice Education & Development are delivering preparation sessions for all nurses, midwives, AHPs and HCSWs. This session will prepare and equip you to undertake the role of a preceptor. Sessions are bookable on TURAS; dates, times, [and further information are available via this link](#). For any queries, please contact [gram.practiceeducation@nhs.scot](mailto:gram.practiceeducation@nhs.scot).

**Tissue Viability learning event and newsletter** A 'Stop the Pressure' event will be held on Wednesday 1 November at UHI Moray, Elgin, IV30 1JJ. We will be discussing the impact of Pressure Ulcers and covering a wide range of topics including MASD, grading, risk assessing, Adult Support & Protection and more. This event is free to attend, with booking via Eventbrite. We ask that you book one ticket per email address for attendance. To purchase tickets, please go to [NHS Grampian Stop The Pressure Event Tickets, Wed 1 Nov 2023 at 08:30 | Eventbrite](#) You can also catch up on all things [Tissue Viability via their newsletter](#).

**Open Wide training programme** The Oral Health Promotion Team are running a pilot of an SVQ accredited qualification, in collaboration with NHS Education for Scotland, of the national oral health improvement programme 'Open Wide' and are looking for interested, patient-facing, staff at ARI to take part. The training is free, and the team will support you throughout. The accredited training will be completed over an approximate period of 10 weeks. This includes a training session, a summary of achievement, an observation of practice and a SCQF level 5 certificate on completion. Spaces are limited to 10. For more information or to register interest, please email [gram.cityohpteamleaders@nhs.scot](mailto:gram.cityohpteamleaders@nhs.scot) before 31 October.

**Locking of Clinical Waste eurobins** Please can all staff be reminded that it is a mandatory requirement to ensure our clinical wastes are secure from public access at all times.

This means that all eurobins must be locked at all times – lids should never be left open or unlocked, and bags of waste should not be left on top of bins.

A printable poster to act as a reminder can be found in the Waste section of the Facilities & Estates intranet page, or by clicking the link [Bin locking poster](#).

There is also a Tool Box Talk - Safe Use of Large Eurobins (028-2018) which all relevant staff should review.

The issue of unlocked eurobins was raised as an area of concern when the HSE visited Foresterhill in 2016, so it is imperative that all staff take responsibility to ensure these are always locked. If you come across an unlocked yellow eurobin, please lock it.

**Could you be an ambassador for the Armed Forces Talent Programme?** Find out more about the ask of anyone with a background in the Armed Forces (including former staff, partners/spouses, volunteers and cadets) to [help promote opportunities to work in health care](#).

**Think Ectopic** In addition to the [Ectopic Pregnancy Trust's resources](#) highlighted in yesterday's brief, we're including an attachment today to an NHS Grampian poster which can be used widely across all sites to improve awareness of ectopic pregnancy among healthcare professionals. Find out more from [Dr Andrea Woolner](#), early pregnancy lead and senior clinical lecturer.

**Last chance to register** NHS Grampian's first ever Diversity Festival will take place on 4th October, with participation approved as 8 CPD credits by the Faculty of Medical Leadership and Management. [Register now](#) or [view our explainer document](#) for more information on what it's all about.

**GMED team building exercise** Well done to the Out of Hours Primary Care Service (GMED) on a successful team building exercise on Wednesday 31st August 2023 at the Lochter Activity Centre. The service was also delighted to have colleagues from the Primary Care Contracts Team, Moray District Nurse Team and Community Response Team join in the event. The exercise was aimed at educating, improving and promoting staff wellbeing, as well as improving working relationships. A big thank you to guest speakers and all who attended for your support.



**Tune of the day** Double bubble! One of today's tunes goes out to Lauren Tweedley, part of the Public Involvement team. Lauren is marking a big birthday this week; we don't know if she'll be belting out Bon Jovi on the karaoke on this occasion, but we are certain leopard print will be involved! For Lauren, here's fellow leopard print fan Shania Twain and [That Don't Impress Me Much](#)

We also have a request from speech and language therapist, Emily Christie on behalf of her friend and colleague, Emily Gonnella and fiancé Fergus McGlone who are getting married on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October. Less than a month now (26 days!!!) till the big day and you'll soon be sailing away on the waves for your honeymoon! With [Walking on the Waves](#) by Skippinish, this one's for you.

Finally, a wee shout out today from the staff at Turriff Community Hospital who would like to say a big thank you to colleagues, NHS Grampian Charity and Friends of Turriff Hospital Group for their fundraising efforts. Their new Deveron Suite for palliative care opened last week and they are very pleased with it. (KJ)

If you want to request a tune, follow up on items included in this brief, or suggest an item for sharing, drop us an email via [gram.communications@nhs.scot](mailto:gram.communications@nhs.scot)