

COVID-19 Brief

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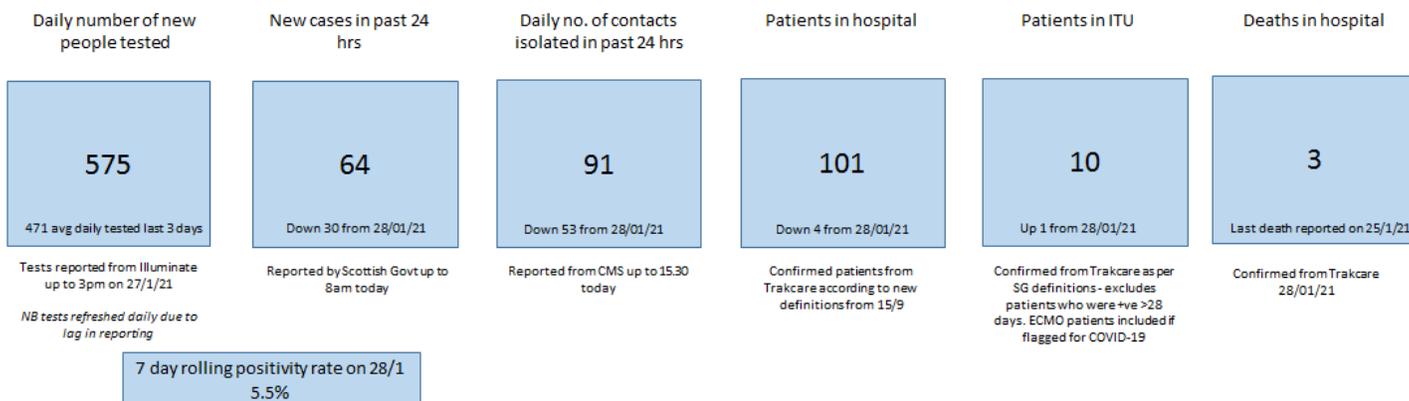
Here is the brief for Friday 29 January 2021.

COVID-19 vaccination programme Effective immediately, any staff based at Foresterhill and Roxburghe House making a **new request** for COVID-19 vaccination should use the [Aberdeen City form](#). All new booked appointments for this staff group will take place at P&J Live at TECA.

If you had your first appointment at the ARI clinic, your second appointment will take place there as scheduled. Peer vaccination, and the arrangements for staff in Moray and Aberdeenshire are unchanged.

Vaccine development You will have likely seen or heard coverage today of further vaccine developments. The Novavax vaccine – being trialled here in Grampian, amongst other centres – is showing more than 89% efficacy, with significant results against emerging variants of COVID-19. You can read more about that [here](#). Particular thanks must go to all the local staff – and of course the volunteers – supporting the Novavax trial in Aberdeen. Meanwhile, a single dose vaccine developed by Janssen is 66% effective overall in trials – more information [here](#). Neither vaccine has currently reached the final approval stage, but the UK has submitted pre-orders for both products, in the event that they are cleared for use.

Grampian data The local figures for today and the 7 day rolling positivity rate are shown below. If you click [here](#) you can visit the Public Health Scotland website, which includes neighbourhood figures for all local authority areas in Scotland.



PPE 3 week look ahead All stocks of key items look healthy for the coming weeks:

PPE Summary - Predicted Equipment Remaining at the end of each week

	FFP3 Mask	type IIR mask	Covid Gowns	Theatre Gowns	Visors + Goggles	Aprons	Gloves
January 25, 2021	124,236	368,803	12,830	12,790	101,442	947,924	1,987,453
February 1, 2021	123,380	367,042	12,829	13,421	102,037	947,924	1,987,453
February 8, 2021	122,524	365,282	12,828	14,051	102,631	947,924	1,987,453
February 15, 20..	121,668	363,521	12,827	14,681	103,226	947,924	1,987,453

■ Stock < 0
 ■ Stock <= 2 Days
 ■ Stock <= 5 Days
 ■ Stock > 5 Days

Orange Award This week's winner of an Orange Award is Jim Irving, the Patient Liaison Officer at Great Western Medical Practice in Aberdeen – well done Jim! It takes just minutes to nominate an individual or team going above and beyond in health & social care. You can either click [here](#) to fill in the online form, or drop an email with all the details to gram.nmahporangeawards@nhs.scot As well as the weekly winner, every nominee receives a recognition certificate, which is also shared with their manager.

Endowment Fund rugby raffle Our friends at the Endowment Fund are raffling a signed Scotland rugby top. No questions to answer, no tickets to purchase – simply email gram.charities@nhs.scot with the subject Rugby and a note of your contact details, by 3pm on Monday 1 February, to be in the draw.

The Rules – One entry per person only. The draw is for health & social care staff only, therefore emails should come from either an NHS.scot or Aberdeen City/Aberdeenshire/Moray.gov.uk address

Thought for the day It's Friday. We made it. January is almost over and I am certainly ready to see the back of it! Whether you are working or not this weekend, look after yourself and take every opportunity for rest and reflection.

And finally... So many of you take the time to share some beautiful photographs and artwork with us that we were moved, in the spirit of Tony Hart*, to take a trip to The Gallery. This may become a regular Friday feature – that all depends on you!



Thank you to (clockwise) Lesley Strachan, Andrew Warman, and Ian Gillanders for these photos. The painting below was done by the daughter of Angela Farquhar and was displayed for a time at Royal Cornhill Hospital.



*For those of you unfamiliar with him, Tony Hart was a stalwart of children's television throughout the 70s, 80, and 90s, presenting a number of art programmes, which always featured a gallery of artwork sent in by viewers.

Questions to ask? Information to share? If you have particular questions – or are aware of questions coming from friends and family – please share them with us. We may not be able to answer every question and it may take us time to get a proper answer, but we will endeavour to respond and share the answers. You can get in touch with us via gram.communications@nhs.scot. Please also use that email address if you have items for consideration for future briefs.