

Thursday 10 August 2023

**Sustainability – how much do you know?** Earlier this week we shared details of upcoming workshops to consider the key themes of our Climate & Sustainability strategy. Ahead of these, we are testing your knowledge. **For every £1 spent with local suppliers, how much is retained in the Grampian area?** The workshop on 21 August (11am to 12noon) is entitled '[Delivering net zero](#)', with a focus on infrastructure, finance and procurement. [This warm-up quiz](#) is aimed at getting you thinking and helping us understand how much people know already (you can scan the QR code below if you're reading a printed version of the brief) and save the meeting details along with the [link to join](#) (no need to register in advance).



**Integrated Mortuary Project** The summer 2023 edition of the Northeast Scotland & Northern Isles Integrated Mortuary Project newsletter (Issue 2) [is available to read here](#). If you would like to be added to the mailing list to receive a copy directly, please email [gram.mortuaryproject@nhs.scot](mailto:gram.mortuaryproject@nhs.scot)

**Reminder – roadworks, Cornhill Road, Aberdeen** A team from Aberdeen City Council will be carrying out roadworks on Cornhill Road from tomorrow (11 August). On Monday and Tuesday (14/15 August) vehicles will not be able to enter or exit the site via the Aberdeen Maternity Hospital gates. If you need to get to/from Aberdeen Maternity Hospital/Aberdeen Dental Institute (Argyle Dental Practice, Outreach Centre, Dental Education Centre, Argyle House, and the Dental School & Hospital) you should use the Westburn Road entrance/exit, or, for access only, through the main hospital site via the Foresterhill Road entrance. Please ensure colleagues, patients, and visitors are aware and allow extra time for journeys.

**Turas update** The course booking system on Turas Learn has recently been updated to ensure users can only book on to – or add their name to the waiting list for - one upcoming session, per course, at a time. There have been issues with people making multiple bookings or joining multiple waiting lists, for the same course, which makes it harder to allocate spaces fairly. If you have booked a particular course on a certain date, you cannot add your name to a waiting list for the same course, on another date. You will have to cancel the original booking before you can join the waiting list. Turas can be accessed on a PC/laptop, tablet, or a smartphone.

**Technology Enabled Care – fully funded study** NHS Education for Scotland (NES) are fully funding 50 places on the next cohort of the Professional Development Award in Technology Enabled Care (SCQF Level 7) starting in September 2023. Further information, and all the application information is [available on Turas Learn](#). Applications close on 31 August.

**Grampian Diabetes MCN professional conference** Registration is now open for this event, taking place at the Beach Ballroom in Aberdeen on Wednesday 20 September. This year's key themes are prevention, early intervention, reducing inequity, intelligent use of data, and use of technology. As always, our focus remains on fostering networking opportunities, sharing both challenges and successes, and offering a diverse array of educational talks and interactive workshops. A full event [programme is available here](#) (intranet link, networked devices only); registration is via Eventbrite: [Grampian Diabetes MCN Professional Conference 2023 Tickets, Wed 20 Sep 2023 at 08:30 | Eventbrite](#) Please feel free to share details with any colleagues who have an interest in diabetes care.

**NMAHP Celebrating Excellence: Call for Abstracts** We are delighted to invite you to submit your abstract to speak, or present a poster, at our popular Celebrating Excellence series. The final event for 2023 will take place in Inverurie on **8 November**. Please use this opportunity to raise awareness of your project, showcase your achievements, gain recognition, share best practice, and make new contacts. You can apply by contacting: [gram.celebratingexcellence@nhs.scot](mailto:gram.celebratingexcellence@nhs.scot)

**Tune of the day** Nicky MacBeath, part of the NHS Grampian Charity team, makes today's request. She's on her way to see The Saw Doctors in Glasgow and has asked [for their road trip classic N17](#) to accompany her on the journey down the A90.

Robbie Robertson has died at the age of 80. He led The Band, a hugely popular group during the 60s and 70s. Their farewell concert 'The Last Waltz' was filmed by Martin Scorsese, and if you haven't watched it, I can highly recommend it. [The Weight](#) is our second tune of the day (EP)

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)