

COVID-19 Brief

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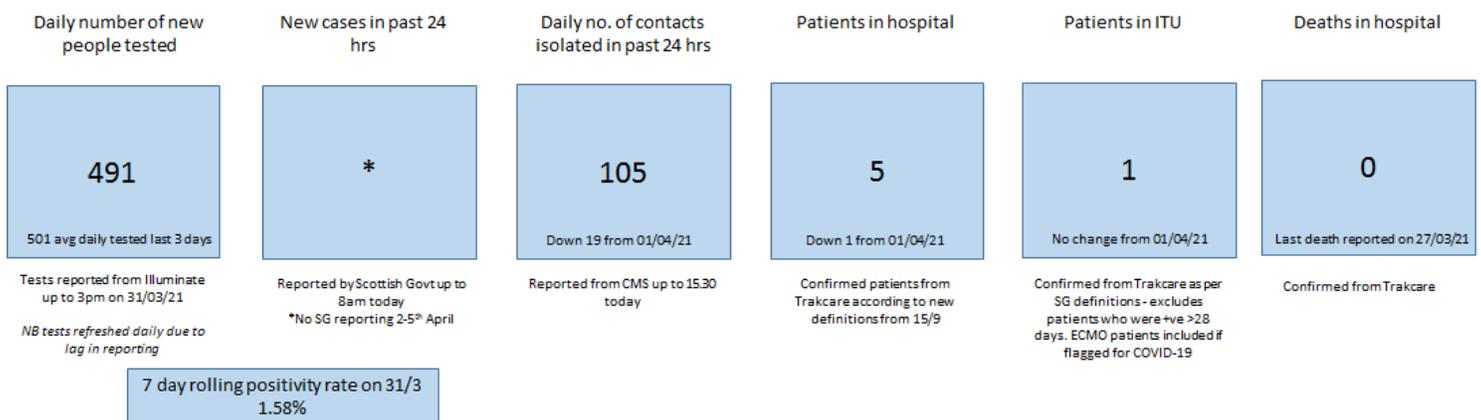


Here is the brief for Friday 2 April 2021.

Stay Local From today the Stay at Home order has been lifted across Scotland, replaced with guidance to Stay Local. We are now free to travel within our own local authority area but should only cross those boundaries for essential purposes, such as work. A maximum of four adults from two households can meet outdoors. Up to four people aged 12-17 can meet outside with no household limit. Children under 12 can meet outside in any number and do not count towards the total number meeting or household limit. We cannot meet other households inside at present. We are still encouraged to limit our social contacts, observe physical distancing, and use face masks or face coverings wherever they are required.

Safer Workplaces assurance visits The Safer Workplaces Team is now very well established and will normally call ahead to arrange an assurance visit in clinical areas. Please note, however, that they will also opportunistically visit non-clinical areas, and clinical areas they have a previous relationship with, to assess the continued safety of working conditions. This modification is to ensure the team get best value from their time and can assure as many areas as possible in the working week. Remember, assurance visits are not 'inspections' - they are supportive visits aimed at ensuring our workplaces are as safe as they can be.

Grampian data Due to the Easter holidays, cases numbers by board are not available; all other local figures for today and the 7-day rolling positivity rate are shown below. As a reminder, this rate is arrived at by dividing the number of positive tests in the past 7 days by the number of tests carried out in the past 7 days. Repeat tests are included in both categories, whereas the figures we show here only record new tests. If you want to see more detailed information, including cases at neighbourhood level, click [here](#) for the Public Health Scotland daily dashboard.



Orange Award Very well-deserved congratulations go to the SIREN team, most recent winners of the Orange Award! From a standing start the team rapidly organised the implementation of a hugely important clinical study that will have a great impact on how we understand the virus. By developing a programme of consenting, blood draws and swabbing and working with patient facing staff from all disciplines, the Grampian SIREN team will provide crucial information on the susceptibility of COVID-19 reinfection. If you want to nominate a colleague or team for an Orange Award, just click [here](#) to complete the online form or email their details to gram.nmahporangeawards@nhs.scot

PPE 3 week look ahead Adequate stocks of all key items remain available:

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

	FFP3 Mask	type IIR mask	Covid Gowns	Theatre Gowns	Visors + Goggles	Aprons	Gloves
March 29, 2021	126,954	194,616	8,813	2,674	23,489	1,201,371	1,888,544
April 5, 2021	126,664	253,231	8,786	3,151	23,298	1,201,371	1,888,544
April 12, 2021	126,373	311,847	8,759	3,629	23,108	1,201,371	1,888,544
April 19, 2021	126,083	370,463	8,731	4,107	22,917	1,201,371	1,888,544

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

Daily brief survey A big thank you to everyone who has already taken the time to complete the survey – to date we have had 896 responses. The top 5 things that staff reported most valuing in the brief are: Using Humour 73%, a focus on Wellbeing 73%, Practical Information 66%, General Information 63%, and Complex Issues 58%. Thanks to all, it will [stay open](#) over the long weekend, close on Tuesday, and we will report back next week.

Thought for the day We wish all of you a safe and happy weekend, whether you're celebrating Easter, marking the end of Passover, or taking some much-needed time for yourself. Remember, Monday 5 April is a Public Holiday for NHS Grampian, so the brief will also be taking a little break. We'll be back on Tuesday; if you are working over the long weekend, take care and stay safe.



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.