



Friday 12 April 2024

**Chair's blog** The board of NHS Grampian met yesterday; as usual chair Alison Evison has written a report on what was discussed, <u>which you can read via this link</u>.

**RCN Scotland Nurse of the Year awards** Finalists have been announced for this event today; we are delighted to say NHS Grampian features in two categories. Dr Debbie Baldie has been shortlisted in the 'Inspiring Excellence – Nursing Innovation & Research' category, while the SANDRA team are finalists in the 'Learning in Practice' award for their support of diabetes practice nurses with revalidation and appraisal. Winners will be announced at a ceremony at the National Museum of Scotland in Edinburgh on 23 May. Congratulations, and the best of luck, to all finalists.

**Vigil for healthcare workers in Gaza** The regular Friday night vigil, in remembrance and support of healthcare workers in Gaza, will take place in the ARI medical lecture theatre tonight, between 6-7pm.

**Reminder - research facilities showcase – University of Aberdeen** NHS staff and researchers looking to find out how they can tap into the University of Aberdeen's world-class research facilities and expertise are invited to attend an information-sharing event next Friday (19 April). The half-day interdisciplinary Research Facilities Showcase will take place between 10am to 12.30pm at the Science Teaching Hub at the King's College campus. More information can be found on the event website: <u>Research Facilities Showcase 2024 | What's On | The University of Aberdeen (abdn.ac.uk)</u> You can register for the event directly via this link.

## That was the week that was

Monday 8 - reminder of social media guidance, soft launch of new RACH website

Tuesday 9 – update on the non-pay elements of the 2023 AfC deal, HCPC registration renewal reminder

Wednesday 10 – Moray HSCP Chief Officer to step down, reduction in spaces in Foresterhill shale car park

Thursday 11 - tissue viability team April newsletter, bicycle security advice

We apologise for the ongoing issues we have had in adding briefs to the online library this week; we hope these will be resolved soon!

**STAR Award** No presentations to highlight this week, just our usual reminder that if you want to put forward a colleague or a team for a STAR award, you can either <u>complete the online nomination form</u>, or email the details of the person/team you want to nominate to <u>gram.staffthanksandrecognition@nhs.scot</u>

**Tune of the day** Lots of you are flexing your requesting muscles today! Ellie Robertson, a bank clerical worker in ophthalmology, gets things started by asking for <u>Lady Marmalade</u> by P!NK, Maya, Christina Aguilera, and Lil' Kim, from the Moulin Rouge soundtrack. Ellie is part of the cast for this year's Student Show – Mounthoolin' Rouge – at His Majesty's Theatre, 24-27 April. <u>Tickets are available via the APA website</u>, best of luck to Ellie and all her castmates!

Phyllis Edmond, a catering assistant in the ARI kitchen, has asked for <u>I Made It Through the Rain</u> by Barry Manilow (just don't look at the forecast for next week)

And finally, this one goes out to all colleagues in ARI theatres following the death of Fiona Prouse, a much-loved colleague who racked up more than 30 years in the department. In memory of Fiona, here's Tina Turner: <u>Tina Turner - The Best (Official Music Video) (youtube.com)</u>

Whatever your weekend plans, I hope you enjoy them. For those working through, have a safe shift. The brief will be back on Monday (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 <u>gram.communications@nhs.scot</u>