

COVID-19

Lee Savarrio - Chief of Dentistry Update (20-4-2020)

I hope you all had a good weekend and managed to enjoy the weather – taking cognisance of social distancing of course.

- GGCEDS over the weekend was busy but ran smoothly with 113 patients being triaged and 16 attending. Three COVID patients were triaged but none were required to attend.
- We have issued a form separately to all practices to indicate if you have any residual clinical waste to be uplifted. Please check your NHS net accounts. All completed forms should be emailed to <u>GDSadmin@ggc.scot.nhs.uk</u> by Thursday 23 April 2020. NSS need a response be that positive or negative so we would welcome a response to minimise the need to contact you repeatedly.
- I know there are many acts of kindness taking place at the present time and I thought I would share this one with you. If you are aware of any other good news stories please send them to Linda.armstrong@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

We have been advised by one of our staff that her mum's dentist (Barry Simpson, Park Cottage Dental Practice) bought a temporary filling kit and dropped it off at her house because her mum was not able to get out. Well done to him!

- As mentioned previously we are still looking for PPE, in particular Type IIR masks and implant PPE kits including surgical gowns. We are hoping to try and distribute these throughout the wider NHS family, including acute sites and Care Homes. If you have any, which you can donate, could you please contact <u>GDSadmin@ggc.scot.nhs.uk</u> with the subject as PPE and include the amount you have available, the practice address and a mobile number. Once again my thanks for your help and support.
- Our Oral Health Improvement Teams are continuing their good work and contacting vulnerable groups including schools and care homes to provide them with tooth brushing resources and oral hygiene advice.

Stay Safe Lee Savarrio, Chief of Dentistry