



**REPORT TO: MORAY INTEGRATION JOINT BOARD ON THURSDAY 28
NOVEMBER 2019**

**SUBJECT: HEALTHCARE IMPROVEMENT SCOTLAND MORAY
COMMUNITY HOSPITAL INSPECTIONS**

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1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 To inform the Board of the report findings from Healthcare Improvement Scotland (HIS) following announced inspection of Moray Community Hospitals in August 2019 for safety and cleanliness.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Moray Integration Joint Board consider and note the:

- i) positive feedback received for Community Hospitals in Moray, and the general requirements and recommendations of the report for NHS Grampian; and**
- ii) arrangements put in place by NHS Grampian to address the requirements and recommendations.**

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 HIS inspect acute and community Hospitals throughout Scotland for cleanliness, hygiene and infection control. HIS carried out an announced inspection from 13 to 15 August 2019 focussing on the cleanliness of 9 NHS Grampian Community hospitals, including the four within Moray – Turner Hospital Keith, Stephen Hospital Dufftown, Fleming Hospital Aberlour and Seafeld Hospital Buckie. The overarching responsibility for infection prevention and control is with the NHS board.

3.2 This was the first inspection of these hospitals against the HIS Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI) Standards (February 2015). Before carrying out these inspections, HIS reviewed previous inspection activity within NHS Grampian. This informed the decision on which standards to focus on during the inspection which were:

- Standard 2: Education to support the prevention and control of infection
- Standard 6: Infection prevention and control policies, procedures and guidance, and
- Standard 8: Decontamination.

4 KEY MATTERS RELEVANT TO RECOMMENDATION

4.1 The findings of the inspection were very positive with very positive verbal feedback on the day and no recommendations or specific requirements for any Health and Social Care Moray Community hospital. The inspection report is attached at **APPENDIX 1**.

4.2 The report highlights what was being done well across NHS Grampian as follows:

- Adherence to standard infection prevention and control precautions was good.
- Staff knowledge of standard infection prevention and control precautions was good.
- The standard of equipment cleanliness was good.

4.3 What NHS Grampian could do better:

- Provide an education strategy for all staff that clearly outlines mandatory training requirements.
- Provide staff with a clear programme of standard infection prevention and control audits.
- Develop a consistent approach to the reporting of estates issues.

4.4 The recommendations and requirements from the inspection have been reviewed and an action plan for implementation across all hospitals in the NHS board has been collated. This has been approved by the Chief Executive of NHS Grampian and Chair of NHS Grampian Board. The Moray Infection Control Group meet on a monthly basis and will have oversight of the action plan. This group will seek assurance the actions are being progressed accordingly.

5 SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP)) and Moray Integration Joint Board Strategic Commissioning Plan 2016 – 2019

The external audit process supports good governance and provides independent assurances to the MIJB on use of its resources and the standards being achieved.

(b) Policy and Legal

There are no contractual or legal issues to report.

(c) Financial implications

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

(d) Risk Implications and Mitigation

There are no risk implications to report.

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no staffing implications directly associated with this report.

(f) Property

There are no property issues as a result of this report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

An equalities impact assessment is not required as there are no impacts for people with protected characteristics arising as a direct result of this report.

(h) Consultations

All staff involved in the Inspection process, Corporate Manager, Caroline Howie, Committee services officer have been consulted, any comments received have been considered in writing the report.

6 CONCLUSION

6.1 The inspection carried out by HIS for NHS Grampian resulted in six requirements and two recommendations for action, although there were no specific recommendations or requirements for community hospitals in Moray.

6.2 An improvement action plan has been developed by NHS Grampian and the Moray Infection Control Group will have oversight of the action plan and will seek assurance the actions are being progressed accordingly.

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Background Papers: HIS Announced Inspection Report & Improvement Action Plan

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