

COVID-19 Brief

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Here is the brief for Thursday 13 May 2021.

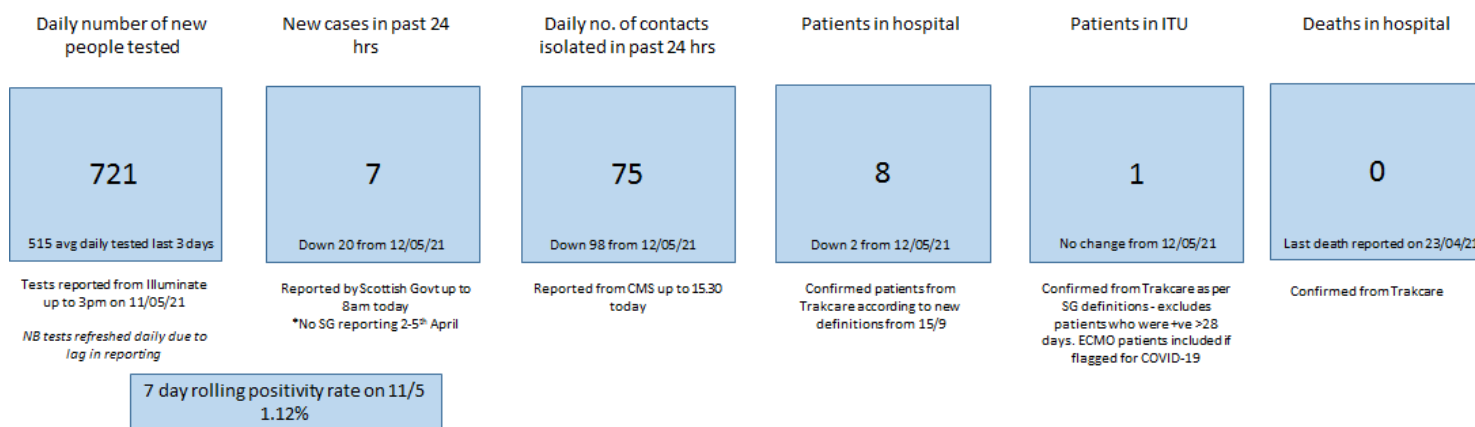
Moray update Additional mobile testing units are to be deployed in Lossiemouth, Keith, and Aberlour as part of ongoing efforts to bring case numbers in Moray under control. There are currently no plans to progress to door-to-door testing anywhere in the area. Public Health believe we may now be seeing the outbreak in Elgin starting to plateau. Despite this, the figures in Moray are still well ahead of the rest of the country. We are starting to see signs of outbreaks in other communities outside of Elgin, including in Keith, Lossiemouth and Aberlour, hence why mobile testing will be deployed there. The number of tests undertaken in Moray has risen by 400% and there has been strong public support of the accelerated COVID-19 vaccination programme in the area.

COVID-19 vaccination – community outreach As part of the accelerated roll-out of the COVID-19 vaccination programme in Moray, a community clinic took place today at Hythehill Primary School in Lossiemouth. The team will also be running a clinic at Keith Primary School tomorrow. This is in addition to extended opening hours at the Fiona Elcock Vaccination Centre in Elgin.

Community clinics are also scheduled for Aberdeen City next week, at Tillydrone Hub (19/5), Gerrard St Baptist Church (20/5), and Seaton Community Church (21/5). Booking information for these clinics is going out directly in a targeted leaflet drop; these clinics are for anyone aged 40 and over who have not yet had their first dose of vaccine.

Also next week, and following close working with the Fishermen’s Mission, a special clinic will take place in Peterhead to offer vaccination to the migrant fishing crews working locally. A huge amount of work has been undertaken by the teams working in Moray, Aberdeen City, and Aberdeenshire to ensure as many people are vaccinated as possible – well done to everyone involved!

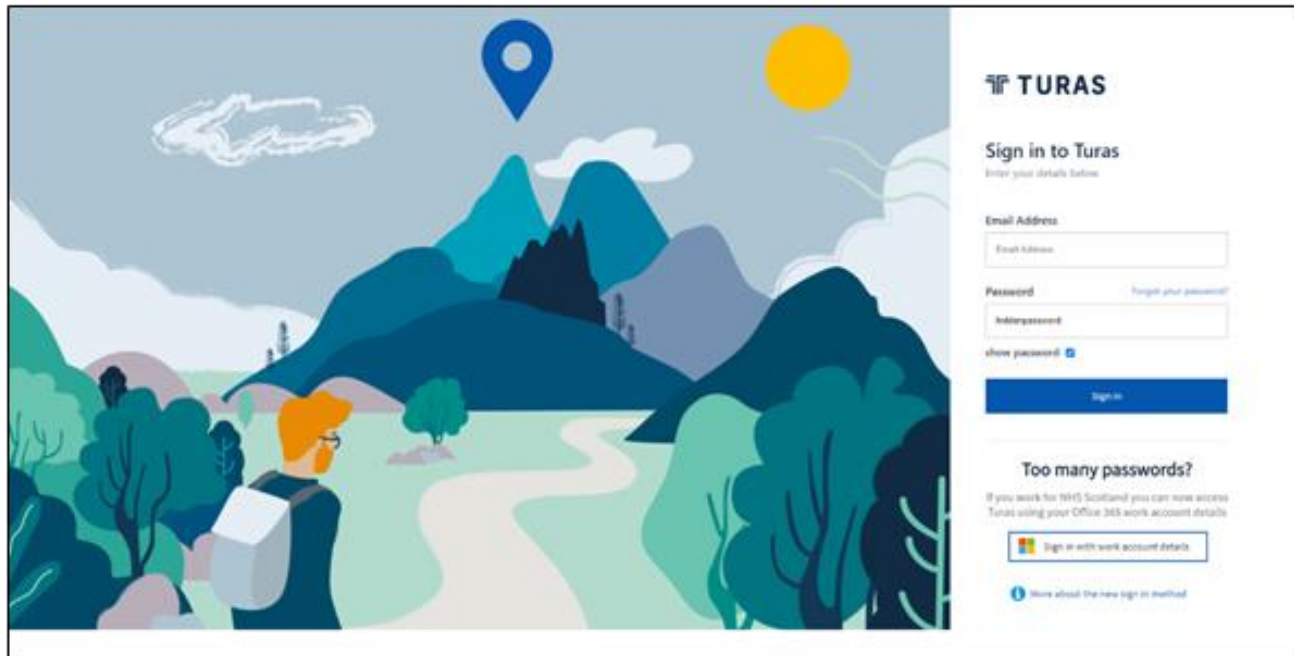
Grampian data The local figures for today and the 7-day rolling positivity rate are shown below. As a reminder, this rate is arrived at by dividing the number of positive tests in the past 7 days by the number of tests carried out in the past 7 days. Repeat tests are included in both categories, whereas the figures we show here only record new tests.



The Public Health Scotland daily dashboard is available to view [here](#). You can use this to see what is happening in local authorities and at neighbourhood level.

ME/CFS and Long Covid Our thanks must go to Jacqueline Fulton (Speech & Language Therapist) who alerted us to a new campaign from the ME Action charity called Stop.Rest.Pace, particularly targeted at people dealing with post-exertional malaise, one of the features of Long Covid. If you would be interested in learning more about this, please click [here](#).

Turas now linked to Office 365 accounts Until now, Turas users have had to use a separate sign-in to access the resources on the platform. We're delighted to say that this has now changed. The team at NES Digital have been working to ensure that Turas now links to Office 365, reducing the need to remember different passwords. If you have an nhs.scot email address, you're already on Office 365 and if you've already logged in, you won't need to sign-in separately to Turas. Simply use the 'Too many passwords?' (see image below). The system will automatically recognise your nhs.scot email address and password.



Tune of the day Karen Stewart (Interim Lead Educator, Women & Children Division) is the tune selector today – and it's an upbeat 90s classic! [Sunshine on a Rainy Day](#) – not just a great song, but also a pretty accurate description of the weather in the north-east.

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.