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NHS 24 Corporate Communications Delivery Plan 2021 – 2022



Objective	To protect and enhance the reputation of NHS 24 and all its services
	 To contribute to the delivery of the organisational priorities as part of the Remobilisation Plan 21 - 22
	 To provide clear and effective communications and engagement with all NHS 24 colleagues
	To deliver health marketing campaigns that enable people to make safe and effective choices about their health and
	wellbeing
	To optimise use of digital resources
	To increase understanding of when to call 111
	To support reduction in health inequalities through the provision of inclusive and equitable communications
	 To deliver targeted promotion of our mental health and wellbeing services and resources
Audience	All residents of Scotland
	NHS 24 service users
	NHS 24 staff
	NHS 24 stakeholders
Strategy/idea	To support the delivery of NHS 24's priorities, supporting our workforce and enabling citizens to get the right care in the right
	place by connecting and collaborating across the system.
Implementation	All available and emerging channels will be used, appropriate to each deliverable.
	- Media relations (proactive, reactive)
	 Marketing (campaigns, social marketing)
	- Social media (organic and paid-for)
	 Intranet and new digital channels
	- Audio-visual content
	- Public affairs /engagement
	- Team Talk
	 Physical collateral (posters, printed materials etc)
	- Staff engagement

Scoring/evaluation	In addition to the use of RAG to monitor delivery, activity will also be measured as follows:
	Media Relations
	- to deliver 12 press releases
	- to maintain predominantly positive sentiment (60% +)
	Social Media
	 to increase engagement levels, exceeding industry standards
	 to increase access to NHS 24 digital resources through the use of social marketing
	Marketing
	 devise, develop and deliver the NHSScotland winter and Easter campaign
	 evaluate campaign according to annual, comparable metrics
	Internal Communications
	- Ensure 50% of staff engage with Team Talk
	 Quarterly evaluation of efficacy of staff communications using research industry methodology

1	Activity is on target and progressing according to plan.
\leftrightarrow	Activity is likely to be delayed, or to be altered.
Ļ	Activity is unlikely to be completed or will be subject to delays and subsequent impact on delivery.

Enabling people to c	Enabling people to choose the right care in the right place					
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update		
Consolidation of 111	Enabling people to choose the		To March			
messaging and	'right care, right place' with		2022			
communications	refreshed narrative and					
activity	assets to support the 111					
	service.					
	Supporting performance					
	improvement measures with					
	demand management					
	communications.					

Manage media relations,	To protect and enhance NHS 24's	To March	
both proactive and	reputation.	2022	
reactive with ongoing		2022	
media monitoring.			
Manage effective and	To increase awareness of	To March	
engaging social media	appropriate access to NHS 24	2022	
channels with a range of	services.		
compelling and			
innovative multi-media	Public engagement both in and		
content.	out of hours.		
	Support national campaigns through use of NHS 24 social		
	media platforms where		
	appropriate		
Update NHS 24's brand	Brand consistency and public	By Sept	
toolkit and ensure	recognition is enhanced.	2022	
consistency of use across			
the organisation			
Devise, develop and	Increase health preparedness	To March	
deliver comprehensive	activity amongst target	2022	
health marketing	audience.		
campaigns, seasonally			
and as required.	Support services at peak holiday		
	periods (particularly Winter and Easter)		
Commission and manage	To gauge consumer and	To March	
outputs of qualitative and	stakeholder insights into	2022	
quantitative research into	perception of the brand and	2022	
awareness, perception	services delivered by NHS 24.		
and trust in NHS 24	,		
services	To inform future developments		
	and communication and		
	engagement activity.		
Consolidate all mental	To promote awareness and	To March	
health communications	usage of the most appropriate	2022	

activity to ensure effective development and delivery of targeted, aligned information	service – MH Hub, Breathing Space, Digital - for mental health and wellbeing needs		
Lead the development of strategies and resources that supports Public Affairs and Community Engagement, to effectively maximise awareness and understanding of NHS 24's range of services	Builds knowledge and understanding of NHS 24's services with key influencers, community groups, third and independent sectors Supports reduction in health inequalities through the provision of inclusive and equitable communications and resources	To March 2022	

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Supporting our work	Supporting our workforce and their wellbeing						
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update			
Develop and deliver a	For staff - Promotes recognition		To March				
programme of staff	and feelings of being valued by		2022				
reward and recognition	the organisation						
activities							
	For managers - provides						
	encouragement and supporting						
	materials to proactively						
	recognise and thank staff for the						
	valuable contribution they make						
	in the roles they deliver						

Develop, deliver and support the creation of engaging staff communications and associated activities	Staff are fully informed and engaged with organisational developments. Supports improvements in overall staff experience		To March 2022	
Through the use of effective methodologies, develop and deliver information, resources and activities to support key programmes of work including staff wellbeing and attendance management	Enable colleagues to deliver effective attendance management activities. Promotes access and awareness of the range of wellbeing resources and support available to staff		To March 2022	
	nt and recovery from COVID			
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update
Develop and deliver effective multi-channel messaging to signpost the public to NHS 24's range of services during the progress of the Covid-19 pandemic response, liaising and collaborating with cross sectorial colleagues in pandemic response.	To increase awareness and trust in NHS 24 and its range of services. To support Scotland's route out from pandemic response.		To March 2022	
Continue to promote staff wellbeing resources, infection prevention control and vaccination programmes (COVID and Flu).	Staff awareness and use of resources. To maximise uptake of vaccinations in order to support staff health and wellbeing.		To March 2022	

Continued developm	ent of National Urgent Care	Pathwa	ays	
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update
Deploy digital and multi-	Supporting colleagues in		To March	
media communications	recruitment to increase number		2022	
to support the	of applicants.			
recruitment of staff to				
deliver services 24/7				
Collaborate with	To play a key role in the		To March	
colleagues in the	development of national		2022	
communications and	messages around Urgent Care			
engagement of the	pathways and NHS 24's core role			
Urgent Care pathways				
and Primary Care.				
	ent of a suite of aligned men			
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update
Create a suite of	To promote awareness and		To March	
communications and	usage of the most appropriate		2022	
associated engagement	service – MH Hub, Breathing			
activity that supports	Space, Digital - for mental health			
citizen knowledge and	and wellbeing needs			
understanding, and				
appropriate use of, our mental health services				
mental health services				
Expanding digital acc	cess to primary care			
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update
Promote NHS 24's online	Increase use of digital resources		To March	
services via social	prior to calling 111.		2022	
marketing to support			_	
sustainable system	Real time support for services			
reform.	during periods of increased			
	demand.			

Tackling public health priorities and health inequalities						
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update		
Seek to ensure	Awareness and use of NHS 24		To March			
accessibility of content	services is improved across all		2022			
for all audiences	demographics.					
	Communications reach into					
	population groups potentially at					
	risk of experiencing health					
	inequalities.					
Target communications	Increase understanding of digital		To March			
to the 16 – 26 age group	resources and knowledge of		2022			
using social media	when to call NHS 24 services					
channels with a user base						
of predominately young						
people						
Exploit analytics from	Enables targeted information		To March			
across Scotland's Health	that supports access to our		2022			
& Social Care Big Data to	service by members of hard-to-					
enable effective	reach community groups, third					
communications	and independent sector					
targeting of	organisations.					
disadvantaged, ethnic						
minority and low socio-	Supports reduction in health					
economic groups	inequalities through the					
	provision of inclusive and					
	equitable communications and					
Tropoforming our Ma	resources					
Transforming our Wa		DAG				
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update		
As active members of key	Supports knowledge and		To March			
programmes of work,	understanding of organisational		2022			
provide leadership and	developments					
support in the						
development and	Supports overall staff experience					
dissemination of key						

messages and information, including: • Estates • Workplace of the Future • Connect •	continue improving our orga	misatic	nal culture	
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update
		RAG		Opuate
Design and deliver a	Promotes and supports ongoing		To March	
rolling programme of	improvements in our		2022	
staff engagement activity	organisational culture and staff			
that provides	experience			
opportunities for staff to	•			
share information on the	Facilitates open, honest 2-way			
things that matter most	conversations in line with our			
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to them with members of	corporate values			
EMT and our Board				

Corporate Functions	Corporate Functions						
Deliverable	Benefit	RAG	Timescale	Update			
Provide strategic	Reputation is protected and		To March				
communications advice	enhanced		2022				
and guidance to							
Executive, Board and							
colleagues across NHS 24							

Develop and deliver effective public affairs support for the organisation.	To help stakeholders form a consistent view of NHS 24 and its services.	To March 2022	
Corporate communications team development	A high performing and engaged team able to support organisational needs.	To March 2022	
Facilitate NHS 24's Annual Review with multi-media and communications advice.	A successful and comprehensive review of NHS 24 activity	To March 2022	
Advise information governance team about relevant Freedom of Information requests.	Improved reputation management.	To March 2022	