# RCSLT Scotland Update 15 October 2020



## **Update on Transparent Facemasks**

<u>'Breathe-Easy'</u> transparent facemasks have passed all the required quality tests to seek CCE accreditation.

Scottish Government is now funding a trial of these masks in selected health boards in Scotland (order for trial is 10,000 masks).

#### It would be great if SLT services were willing to be part of these trials.

- find out from your local ICT if your board is part of this trial and ask to join in if you wish to.
- Please get in touch and let us know if you and your team get involved. It would be good to hear how it goes (contact details at the bottom).

#### **New Resources from RCSLT**

RCSLT guidance and resources are available <u>here</u> and are updated regularly. Non-member students can apply for access <u>here</u>.

- **New online RCSLT shop** order merchandise including 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary items here.
- New guidance on mouthcare published <a href="here">here</a>.
- **75**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary celebration** details on how to join in with social media (Twitter and Instagram) here.
- Giving Voice Twitter takeovers follow @GivingVoiceUK on Twitter.

#### New from Scottish Government and Scottish Parliament

- Health Survey: The results of the <u>Scottish health survey</u> for 2019 have been published.
- Political Attitudes: The Scottish Government has published a <u>report</u> with data on public attitudes to government, the economy, the health service, levels of tax and spend, government priorities and political engagement.
- Supporting and celebrating different minds £250,000 funding for a new national support service for children and adults diagnosed with autism to understand and embrace their identity here.

#### **New Health and Care Resources**

- Call for Applied Research on Longer-Term Effects of Covid-19 Infection

   applications close 9<sup>th</sup> November <a href="here">here</a>.
- Framework for Supporting People Through Recovery & Rehabilitation link to webinar recording and other NES webinars <a href="here">here</a>.
- MSC in Educational Assistive Technology information for January 2021 intake at Dundee University available here.
- Test & Protect Resources including explainer video in BSL here.
- Face Masks: updated <u>frequently asked questions</u> relating to <u>interim guidance</u> on the extended us of face masks in hospital, care homes, primary care and community care.
- Critical Care: The Scottish Government has published <u>guidance</u> for healthcare professionals on critical care management of adult COVID-19 patients.
- **Shielding Advice**: updated <u>advice</u> for the shielding population to account for the recent changes in the guidance.
- Attainment Gap: The Scottish Government has <u>published</u> the Attainment Scotland Fund (ASF) Evaluation headteacher survey report for 2019.
- **Mental Health:** The Scottish Government has published the <u>transition & recovery plan for mental health.</u>
- ALLIANCE/HIS community engagement events on mobilisation and redesign of services register <u>here</u>.

### **RCSLT Scotland Contacts**

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