

NHS Board Chief Executives

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Your Ref
Our Ref 2nd National Audit Report Covering Letter
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Dear Colleague

PUBLICATION OF THE NATIONAL HAND HYGIENE NHS CAMPAIGN COMPLIANCE WITH HAND HYGIENE – 2nd AUDIT REPORT

Please find attached the National Hand Hygiene NHS Campaign Compliance with Hand Hygiene – 2nd Audit Report. **This report must be regarded as confidential and embargoed until the publication date of 17th April 2008.**

The report contains results by NHS Boards and by staff groups and you can review the results of your own Board on pages 7 and 18. Overall for Scotland compliance with hand hygiene in the 3rd audit period was 87% (for the 1st audit period it was 68% and for the 2nd audit period it was 79%).

Looking forward, in order to support the target of at least 90% compliance by November 2008 announced by the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Wellbeing, quarterly audits of hand hygiene within Boards will commence from May 2008. HPS will continue to work support Boards in this area of work.

The report, along with the “Your questions answered” document (which is also attached), will be on the HPS website at 9.30 am on 17th April 2008. The link for this is:

<http://www.hps.scot.nhs.uk/haic/ic/nationalhandhygienecampaign.aspx>

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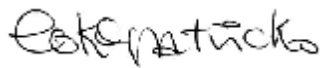
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