

NHS Board Chief Executives

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Dear Colleague

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

Please find attached the National Hand Hygiene NHS Campaign Compliance with Hand Hygiene – Audit Report. **This report must be regarded as confidential and embargoed until the publication date of 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2008.**

The report contains results by NHS Boards and by staff groups and you can review the results of your own Board on pages 16.

The overall result for hand hygiene compliance for this 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter audit period 2008 was 88% (5<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May). Compliance percentages within NHS Boards ranged from 79%-100%. Overall results for compliance with hand hygiene opportunities between staff groups ranged from 75%-92%.

The presentation within this report has changed from previous reports and as such does not feature previous audit results. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> audit reports published in 2007 and April 2008 are however referenced. This is due to the launch of the new Campaign phase as part of the SGHD HAI Task Force Delivery Plan (2008-2011), the target of at least 90% compliance by November 2008 as set by the Cabinet Secretary for Health and Wellbeing and quarterly hand hygiene compliance auditing now being in place within NHS Boards.

The report, along with the “Your questions answered” document (which is also attached), will be on the HPS website at 9.30 am on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2008. The link for this is:

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



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