

Specialist Estates Services Notification

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For action by:

Chief Executives, NHS Health Boards and Trusts
Estates/Facilities Directors and Managers

For information only:

Head of Capital Estates and Facilities
Department of Health and Social Care, Welsh Government

Dear Colleague

NHS ESTATES & FACILITIES NATIONAL DAY OF CELEBRATION – 15TH JUNE 2022

This SESN is to inform NHS organisations about the first ever national day to acknowledge and celebrate the essential work of all E&F professions in the delivery of health care across the UK. Further information and a 'supporter's pack' designed to promote consistency of messaging across the NHS can be downloaded here. <https://www.healthcareefmday.org/>

Nationally, estates and facilities services are estimated to make up 8% of the NHS workforce, or approximately 250,000 people. However, the collective contribution to support frontline services may not be fully appreciated, or even understood.

A number of organisations across NHS Wales will already recognise the contribution of E&F staff, either corporately or within E&F functions, or both. This UK-wide initiative is about capturing, sharing, and generally raising the profile of this vitally important contribution to the work of the NHS.

Specialist Estates Services is asking Health Boards and Trusts to endorse and support this initiative to celebrate and recognise the work of E&F teams. This could range from local recognition awards to sharing feedback from the general public to all staff, sponsoring local community projects that also showcase the skills of E&F staff, highlighting the hobbies and interests of E&F staff and how they make even wider contributions to our local communities, to simply publicising key facts and figures on the resources that E&F staff are responsible for managing and what is achieved on a daily basis by the respective teams. Information about local events that take place on 15th June 2022 and how you have raised the profile of what is delivered by E&F staff should be shared using the hash tag #HealthEFMDay.

Any enquiries on the content of this letter should be addressed to Ray Selby, Head of Estates Development ray.selby@wales.nhs.uk

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "NH Davies". The letters are cursive and somewhat stylized.

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