



## SRTTP Bulletin – May 2020

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### Programme Team Update

SRTTP team has welcomed four new members since April. Laura Dodds, Programme Manager; Lorna Brady, Project Manager; Amy Currie, Project Support Officer and Euan MacDonald, Workflow Manager.

Congratulations to Jill Patte on her appointment as Programme Director.



Caroline Handley has left the team to take on a new role as the Radiology and Diagnostics Service Manager overseeing Golden Jubilee, and will remain a key stake holder SNRRS.

### COVID-19 response

The COVID-19 radiology response has been the key focus of the programme in recent weeks. The SRTTP team have been working closely with our colleagues in PACs (Picture Archiving Communication systems) and SCIN ([Scottish Clinical Imaging Network](#)) to coordinate responses. Further information can be found on the [SCIN website](#).

As part of this, a web page was created as one place for information, the team produced papers regarding support that could be offered to the Louisa Jordan and private hospitals, and 32 of the 50 workstations bought as part of the SRTTP Phase 1 were offered to boards for local/cross border work. The operation to deliver the COVID-19 contingency workstations to the NHS Boards is underway with 26 of the 32 workstations deployed and the other 6 in progress. Funding for 32 replacement workstations has been approved to back fill those delivered as part of the COVID-19 response. In addition, the Scottish Radiology Transformation Programme (SRTTP) team has been asked by the Scottish Government to assist in recovery planning for Radiology. The team are also aiming to gather data on how demand has been affected and to begin to model potential workload during service recovery over the coming months.



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## Celebrating SRTP Phase 1

“Beyond the insourced reporting option and potential for tertiary support, Share+ also provides individual reporters with flexibility and reporting options we never had. The rapid deployment of SNRSS workstations have been extremely useful during the Covid crisis. The work of the SRTP has changed the face of radiology in Scotland in a short space of time.... and they haven't finished yet!”

Dr Raj Burgul, Consultant Radiologist  
NHS Forth Valley

“The SRTP business case for Phase 2 was approved by Chief Executives on 10 December 2019 and funding was agreed. A real team effort that successfully demonstrated the benefits of an ambitious, high priority programme.”

Jill Patte

“... getting the first cross boundary reporting carried out by Reporting Radiographers using the Share+ system. Pooled capacity and activity, the way forward...”

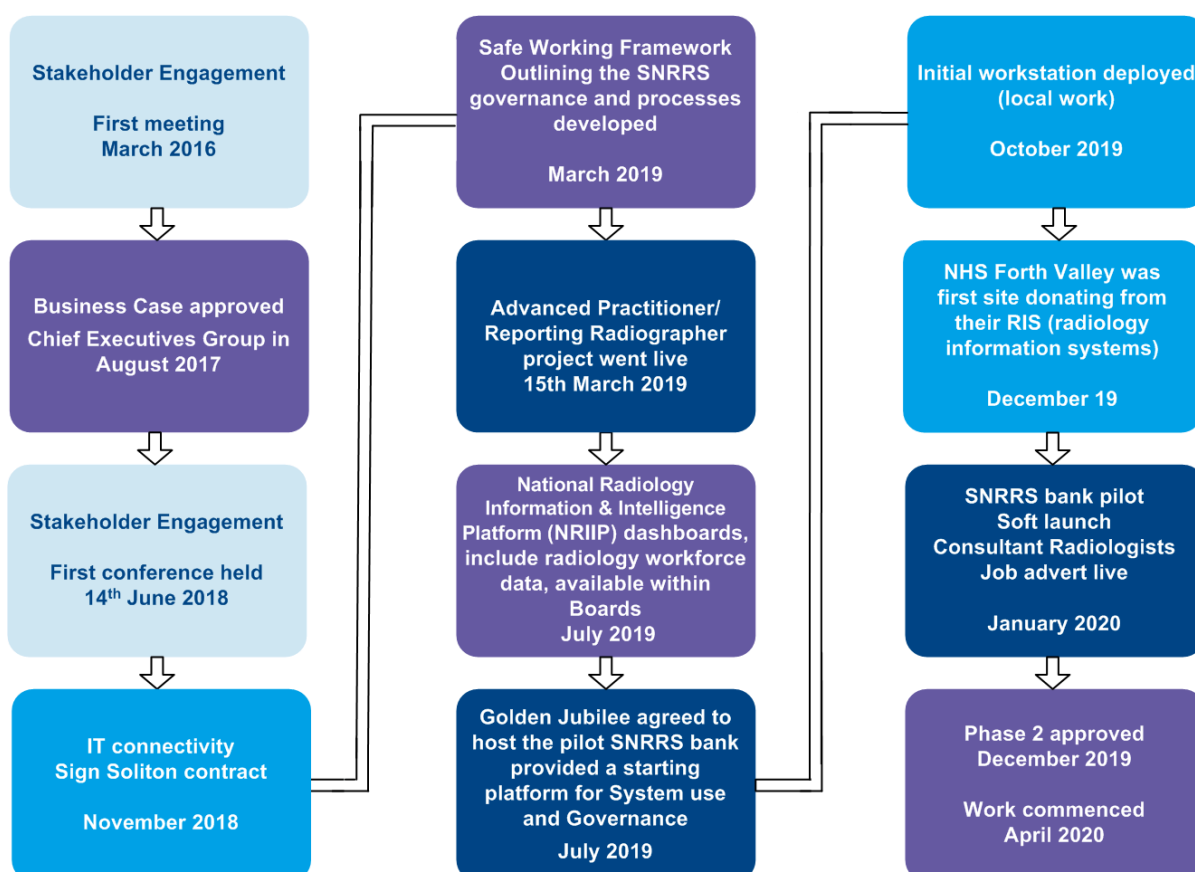
Jim Cannon

“Besides implementing innovative project pilots and helping to form new functions using new technology and ways of working, my highlight was building a consensus across the Radiology community that continued transformation was needed and indeed desired, culminating in the development of a new business case to secure continued commitment from the Chief Executives.”

Guy Southcott

“Working with the SRTP team and the Golden Jubilee to get the new Scottish National Radiology Reporting Service (SNRRS) Bank set up has been my highlight. We had the consultant radiologist payment model agreed early on and this enabled us to start engagement and we now have reporters working on exams across health board borders. Some are even working at home!”

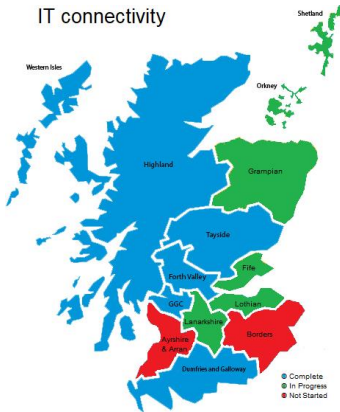
Jennifer Robertson



## S RTP Phase 2

While the COVID-19 response has been the priority we moved into S RTP Phase 2 in parallel at the start of April, bringing on board a [new team](#) and new Programme Director.

The S RTP team hope we can focus on the Phase 2 engagement with the radiology community, to start to deliver on the ambitious aims of the second S RTP business case. We hope to continue our engagement with special interest groups, and key skill areas which will continue to drive forth change.



## IT Connectivity

In programme activities, the IT rollout is continuing with 7 boards live and able to donate.

A further six boards will be complete by end June 2020, and IT Team are working directly with boards to ensure that this happens. The Lothian donating interface testing has been completed in BASE environment and the Fife donating interface testing in the Test environment is now completed.

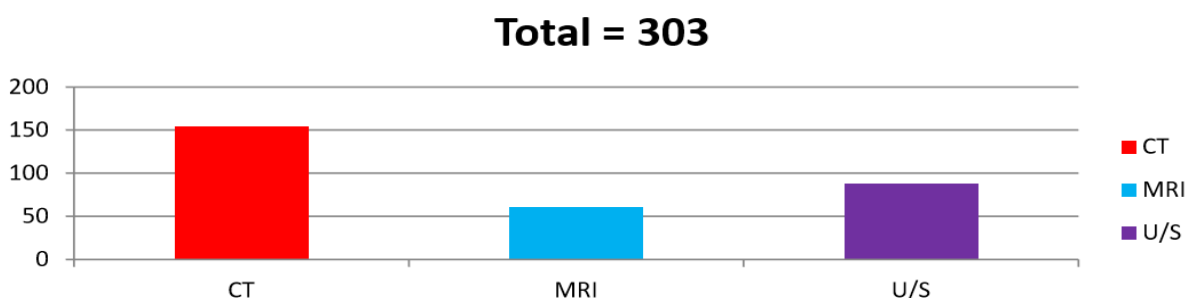
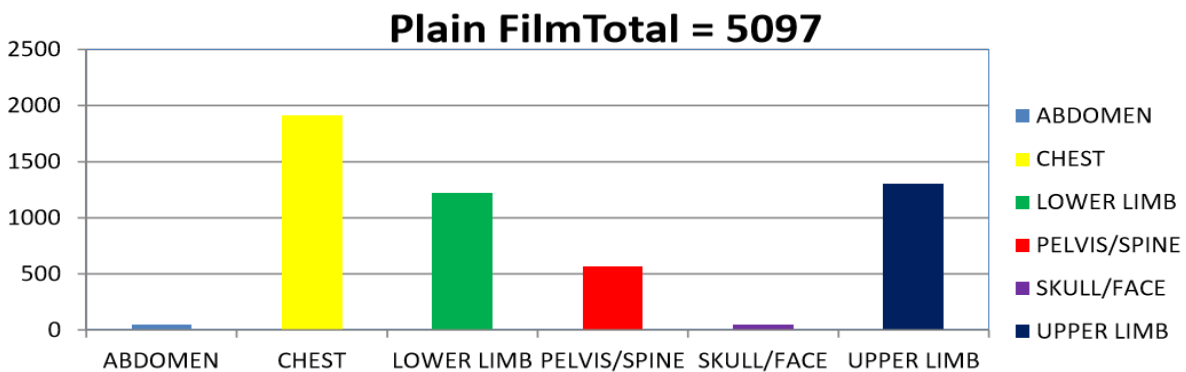
It is anticipated that Grampian (including Shetland and Orkney) will be ready by the end of May, with Fife, Lanarkshire and Lothian following on by the end of June. Borders and Ayrshire and Arran which we have noted by the end of March 2021 as both areas are changing their RIS.

In addition to this programme work, all COVID-19 contingency workstations were delivered to the NHS Boards with 26 of the 32 workstations deployed by Boards

## Scottish National Radiology Reporting Service (SNRRS)

Work is continuing to progress with the Scottish National Radiology Reporting Service (SNRRS) Bank pilot and recruitment is progressing through the host board Golden Jubilee National Hospital. In March a total of 3 radiologists were paid through the SNRRS Bank. Currently due to the COVID-19 crisis, radiology services have reduced in boards therefore no reporting is going through the SNRRS Bank. Recruitment however is continuing with 32 reporters now recruited or in the process of being recruited.

Between December 2019 and March 2020 the SNRRS bank pilot Radiographers reported on: **5097** plain film, **145** CT and **61** MR images. With a further **88** Ultrasounds locally for NHS Highland.



Responses from Radiographers looking to join the bank reporters continues to grow, with a further 16 of whom are currently going through the recruitment process.

If you are interested in finding out more about joining the SNRRS Bank pilot, please email: [nss.snrrsbank@nhs.net](mailto:nss.snrrsbank@nhs.net)

## Workstations

We have worked closely with 6 health boards to create a robust process around building and deploying workstations with most of the Reporting Radiologists recruited to the bank requesting a home workstation. In the first quarter of the pilot, 12 home workstations deployed to radiologist's homes and a further 3 working from their base site.

As part of the response to COVID-19 we took the decision to support local health board planning, by loaning SRTP workstations to support local contingency planning. The individual Health boards are responsible for deciding how best to utilise this equipment:

- 2 Health boards have chosen to use the SNRRS for local reporting
- This has resulted in an additional 10 reporters accessing SNRRS from home to support local reporting

In order to enable Consultant Radiologists and Reporting Radiographers to report exams, and to support further recruitment for the SNRRS, funding has been approved to backfill the 32 deployed in response to COVID-19.

## Clinical Decision Support Software (CDS)

Our contract with the Clinical Decision Support Software supplier MedCurrent, has been countersigned and the NSS process have been completed to allow the purchase order to be raised, invoice submitted and approved for payment. This has allowed us to progress a number of actions with the Pilot Sites including the initiation of catalogue mapping procedures.

CliniSys, who supply the Order Communications Systems to the Pilot Sites, are now fully engaged and supporting the progress and are currently developing improvements to the systems that will make the integration between the Order Communications Systems and the Clinical Decisions Support Software a smoother experience.

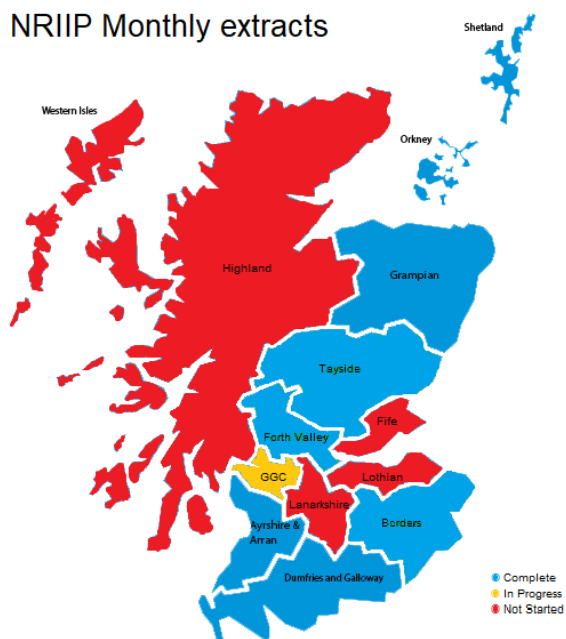
The project is also aligned with the Scottish Government – National Decision Support Programme.

## National Radiology Information & Intelligence Platform (NRIIP)

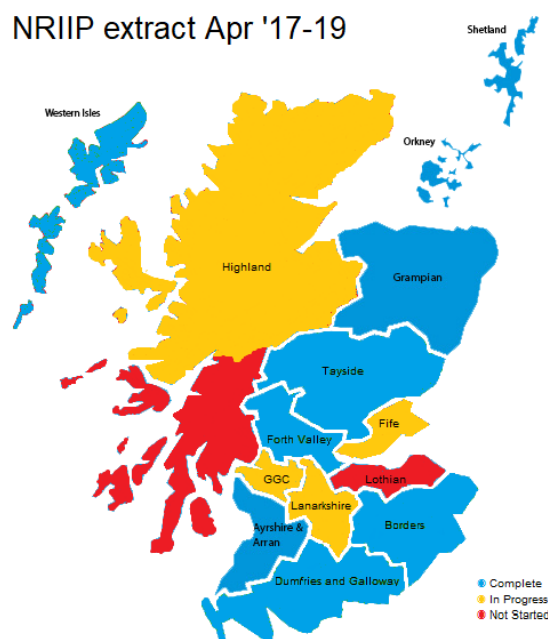
The National Radiology Information & Intelligence Platform (NRIIP) Project aims to facilitate strategic service planning, regional planning, local planning, demand and capacity planning, benchmarking and service improvement. The development includes a National Radiology Dataset and a Dashboard Visualisation tool for NHS Boards to review their data.

The NRIIP dashboard is available for use within Boards with progress across Scotland illustrated below.

NRIIP Monthly extracts



NRIIP extract Apr '17-19



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## **Where can I get more information?**

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