

NHSScotland Assure Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) Survey Programme– May 2024

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Welcome to the seventh update on the Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) Survey Programme.

Survey Programme Update

As of 29 May 2024, we have carried out surveys of 555 buildings across NHS Ayrshire & Arran, NHS Grampian, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde, NHS Highland, NHS Fife, NHS Borders, NHS Tayside, NHS Lothian, NHS Lanarkshire, NHS Forth Valley, NHS Dumfries & Galloway, NHS National Services Scotland, NHS 24 and Scottish Ambulance Service.

There are two outstanding surveys which are being carried out during May and June, along with a number of re-visits to properties where there was limited access.

Pilot Surveys

We are in the process of undertaking a pilot survey of three buildings across NHSScotland utilising point cloud technology. Once we have the outputs from the surveys we will arrange an information session to share this with boards, and any lessons learned from the pilots. The results of the pilots will also be used to inform proposals for a further national survey programme.

Frequently Asked Questions

A FAQ document was developed and can be found on our [website](#).

Training

We will shortly be offering training to boards local estates & facilities teams to increase their awareness and knowledge of monitoring and managing RAAC within their estate. The training will be in-person and will include a theory session in the morning, and in the afternoon a visit to a building where RAAC has been identified to allow local staff to put their learning into practice.

Topics being covered are as follows:

- How does RAAC Work?
- Contemporary Details
- Risk Factors
- Risk Assessment
- Management & Maintenance
- Q&A and Board Feedback



A separate agenda and proposed dates will be issued to all boards where RAAC has been identified.

We are also considering facilitating some additional virtual RAAC Information Sessions aimed at local estates & facilities teams for the boards where no RAAC has been found. If this would be of interest please contact NSS.RAAC@nhs.scot.

RAAC Guidance

A RAAC Guidance document is currently being developed for boards. We will issue a further communication when it has been published and is available for use.



Publication of Survey Results

Once the survey programme has concluded in June, NHSScotland Assure will be updating the list of survey results on the NSS website. Please remember to update your survey results on your individual board websites.

If you have any queries please contact the team at:

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