



Health  
Protection  
Scotland

# PORT HEALTH TRAINING DAY

DATE: 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2008



VENUE: CROWNE PLAZA, GLASGOW, G3 8QT

- The International Health Regulations (2005) are a legally binding international instrument the purpose of which is to 'prevent, protect against, control and provide a public health response to international spread of disease'.
- Nation States are required within defined time scales to meet a number of requirements in identification, verification and communication of events which may constitute a public health emergency of international concern (PHEIC).
- Certain of these standards relate to local practice and facilities at ports of entry.
- The aim of the training day will be to highlight standards in practice required in public health action at ports required under the new IHR with particular focus on
  1. Work currently in progress to ensure the UK meets the standards set out in the IHR
  2. Roles and responsibilities of the professional groups involved in public health at ports
  3. Best practice for routine and emergency public health action at air and sea ports
  4. Extra requirements placed on those inspecting Ships for issuing Ship Sanitation Certificates (replacing Deratting Certificates)
  5. Identification and communication of Public Health Events of International Concern with HPS, HPA and WHO
  6. Future work to be carried out on routine and emergency response standards at Designated Ports of Entry in Scotland and the rest of the UK