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## **Bupa announced as Official Healthcare Principal Partner to Glasgow 2026**

Bupa, a global healthcare company, has been announced as the Official Healthcare Principal Partner of Glasgow 2026, Partner of Commonwealth Sport's GAPS Programme and an Official Partner for Team Scotland as it grows its commitment to inclusion in sport.

As hundreds of thousands of spectators are set to enjoy world-class sporting celebrations across four iconic venues from 23 July to 2 August, Bupa aims to encourage more people to experience the health benefits of movement to inspire healthier communities and promote active lifestyles.

Signing with Glasgow 2026 as a Principal Partner and supporting Commonwealth Sport as a Partner for the GAPS Programme reflects shared values around inclusion. Glasgow 2026 brings together Para and Non-Para athletes to compete on the same global stage, while the GAPS Programme activates in developing and emerging nations to remove barriers to participation and strengthen Para sport pathways across the Commonwealth.

**Katie Sadleir, CEO of Commonwealth Sport, said:** "We are delighted to have Bupa's support for our pre-Games GAPS camp. Bringing Para athletes and their coaches together from across the Commonwealth in the final days before Glasgow 2026, the camp is an important part of helping athletes arrive ready to perform at their best. We are grateful to Bupa for helping to make this possible and can't wait to see this exceptional group of athletes take their place on the Games stage."

Glasgow 2026 will also set a new standard in how major events can be hosted more sustainably, using existing venues to reduce waste and carbon emissions. This aligns with Bupa's commitment to making cities healthier and the environment's role in preventative healthcare.

**Iñaki Ereño, Group CEO of Bupa, said:** "We're incredibly proud to be the Official Healthcare Principal Partner of the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games. Sport has a unique ability to bring people together and play a powerful role in supporting both physical and mental health."

“This partnership reflects our ambition to help more people experience the positive impact of movement on our health. Glasgow 2026’s vision for a more inclusive and sustainable Games strongly aligns with our own, and we’re excited to play a part in helping bring that to life.”

**Phil Batty OBE, Chief Executive of Glasgow 2026, said:** “This is a partnership founded on common values and we are proud to welcome Bupa as a Principal Partner. Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games is all about sport as a force for good, so it is a fantastic opportunity to be able to link up with a leading healthcare partner to work towards building a healthier nation.

“Bupa’s purpose in encouraging participation in sport aligns perfectly with our ambitions to deliver a Games that’s inclusive at its heart, one where everyone belongs. We look forward to collaborating and showcasing how movement and health go hand in hand at Glasgow 2026.”

**Colin Millar, Head of Marketing and Commercial Operations at Team Scotland, added:** “Team Scotland is delighted to welcome Bupa as an official partner for the Glasgow 2026 Commonwealth Games. Their core values of inclusion and accessibility to physical activity are shared with us and we look forward to working together to create a lasting impact from these Games.”

Bupa is also an Official Partner for Team Scotland and a Partner for the GAPS Programme, an initiative developed by Commonwealth Sport and Griffith University. The GAPS Programme is a network of training camps and partnerships, in developing and emerging nations, that help remove barriers to participation and strengthen Para sport pathways across the Commonwealth contributing to greater diversity at major international events. A camp will take place in Ayr, welcoming GAPS competitors ahead of Glasgow 2026.

The remaining tickets for Glasgow 2026 are available now at [glasgow2026.com/tickets](https://glasgow2026.com/tickets).

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### About Glasgow 2026

Glasgow 2026 promises an altogether brilliant Commonwealth Games, taking place from 23 July to 2 August and combining world-class sport with a future-focused vision delivered through the vibrant spirit of the city. Set within a concentrated eight-mile corridor, the Games will feature 10 sports and 6 Para sports, across four iconic venues, including Scotstoun Stadium, the Scottish Event Campus (SEC), the Glasgow International Arena and Tollcross International Swimming Centre.

Highlights include a record-breaking Para sport programme, the biggest Track Cycling, Swimming and 3x3 Basketball competitions in Commonwealth Games history, and the return of the Commonwealth Mile in Athletics.

Alongside the Games, the Glasgow 2026 Festival will feature a vibrant programme of culture, music, sport and community-led celebrations. Running from 23 May to 9 August, the Festival will feature world-class creative talent alongside local events delivered by community groups and sports clubs. With opportunities for people of all ages to get active and get involved, it will create a citywide celebration that brings communities together, inspires participation and amplifies the excitement of the Games.

Led by Chair George Black CBE and Chief Executive Officer Phil Batty OBE, Glasgow 2026 Limited is the privately funded Organising Company responsible for delivering the Games. Based in the city centre, the organisation employs nearly 200 people and will generate an estimated £150 million in local economic activity, welcoming 3,000 athletes from 74 nations and territories, supported by 3,000 volunteers and thousands of fans from across Glasgow and beyond.

### About Bupa

Established in 1947, Bupa's purpose is helping people live longer, healthier, happier lives and making a better world. We are an international healthcare company serving 68 million customers worldwide. With no shareholders, we reinvest profits into providing more and better healthcare for the benefit of current and future customers. Bupa has businesses around the world, principally in Australia, the UK, Spain, Poland, Chile, Hong Kong SAR, India, Türkiye, Brazil, Mexico and New Zealand. We also have associate businesses in Saudi Arabia.

## **About Commonwealth Sport**

Commonwealth Sport is the organisation with responsibility for the direction and control of the Commonwealth Games and Commonwealth Youth Games, and for delivering the vision of the Commonwealth Sport Movement: 'Our Commonwealth, united through sport'.

Our mission is to deliver inspirational and impactful Games; to excite and empower athletes and young people; and to drive equality in sport and society across the Commonwealth. Established in 1930, the Commonwealth Sport Movement brings together 74 independent nations and territories creating a diverse Commonwealth community of over 2.5 billion individuals, representing one-third of the world's population.

Together we stand as a beacon of unity, diversity, and equality, completely integrating Para athletes, driving gender equality and advocating for legacy and social change through sport.

## **About GAPS**

Gather-Adjust-Prepare-Sustain (GAPS) is a multi-stakeholder partnership programme developed for the purpose of offering emerging athletes and coaches access to additional skills, knowledge and resources with the aim of advancing coaches education, removing barriers to participation, and supporting the development of inclusive sports pathways that promote positive social change in sport and local communities.

Further information about GAPS is available [here](#).

## **About Commonwealth Games Scotland**

Commonwealth Games Scotland (CGS) is one of 74 Commonwealth Games Associations who are members of the Commonwealth Games Federation.

Commonwealth Games Scotland is the lead body for Commonwealth sport in Scotland, and is the organisation responsible for selecting, preparing and leading Team Scotland at the Commonwealth Games and Commonwealth Youth Games.

Scotland has competed in every Games since the first Empire Games in 1930 and has hosted the Games three times - twice in Edinburgh 1970 and 1986 and most recently in Glasgow in 2014.

Working closely with Scotland's national governing bodies of sport and the sportscotland institute of sport, Commonwealth Games Scotland aims to have the best prepared team possible at every Games, creating the right performance environment and giving athletes every opportunity to excel at the Games, as part of a world class sporting system.

Commonwealth Games Scotland and its member sports rely on investment, including National Lottery support, from **sportscotland**, the national agency for sport. CGS also actively seeks additional support for team preparations from commercial partners, fundraising activities and the Commonwealth Games Endowment Trust.