

Careers information for general practice nurses

The following institutions are sources of information that are relevant to general practice nurses (GPNs). They can be used to both access information and resources relating to your current post, and to one that you may aspire to in the future.

Institution contact details	Institution role
<p>Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development 151 The Broadway London SW19 1JQ Tel: 020 8612 6200 www.cipd.co.uk</p>	<p>Services provided include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>promotion of programmes</i> • <i>management consultation and training</i> • <i>guides on career management in organisations</i> • <i>counselling at work</i> • <i>references for reports, articles and books about careers support.</i>
<p>International Health Exchange/Red R 1 Great George Street London SW1P 3AA Tel: 020 7233 1100 www.ihe.org.uk</p>	<p>Charity assisting aid and development organisations, to recruit qualified health professionals, through recruitment and training. The charity works with agencies and individuals worldwide</p>
<p>Nursing and Midwifery Council 23 Portland Place London W1B 1PZ Tel: 020 7637 7181 www.nmc-uk.org</p>	<p>Professional registration body for nursing that also provides standards for practice, education and training</p>
<p>NHS Alliance Goodbody's Mill, Albert Road Retford, Notts DN22 6JD Tel: 01777 869080 www.nhsalliance.org</p>	<p>Representative organisation of primary care</p>
<p>NHS Careers PO Box 376 Bristol BS99 3EY Tel: 0845 60 60 655 www.nhs Careers.nhs.uk</p>	<p>Provides information about career options, and education and training for specific careers in the NHS. Please see website for national/local contact details</p>

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<p>NHS Professionals Recruitment line: 0845 6060 345 www.nhsprofessionals.nhs.uk</p>	<p>Aims to maximise the potential of doctors, nurses and corporate staff with support and flexibility to meet their own personal needs. They have guidance on flexible career schemes, training for lifelong learning etc</p>
<p>Salomons Centre for Leadership & Management Development Broomhill Road, Southborough Tunbridge Wells Kent TN3 0TG Tel: 01892 507635 www.salomonsclmd.co.uk</p>	<p>Able to provide psychometric and other instruments for self-awareness (Myers Briggs, MBTI, ABLE etc). Also specialises in the education, training and development of health professionals</p>
<p>Skills for Health Society for Academic Primary Care (SAPC) 4 Manor Farm Barns, Church Lane Charlton-on-Otmoor Oxon, OX5 2UA Tel: 01865 331839 www.skillsforhealth.org.uk</p>	<p>Aims to promote excellence in research and education in general practice and primary health care</p>
<p>Society for Academic Primary Care (SAPC) 4 Manor Farm Barns, Church Lane Charlton-on-Otmoor Oxon OX5 2UA Tel: 01865 331839 www.sapc.ac.uk</p>	<p>SAPC aims to promote excellence in research and education in general practice and primary health care</p>
<p>Royal College of Nursing Immigration Advice Service Tel: 020 7647 3874</p>	<p>Confidential appointment-based service for overseas nurses and nursing students. Offers advice on a wide range of immigration and work-permit issues</p>
<p>Royal College of Nursing Learning Zone www.rcn.org.uk</p>	<p>The careers section of this website is a useful source of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • job profiles • advice on developing career planning skills • where to apply for courses and funds. <p>This section of the website can also be used to search for jobs</p>
<p>Royal College of Nursing Nurseline Tel: 020 7647 3463 Email: nurseline@rcn.org.uk www.rcn.org.uk</p>	<p>This is an independent advice and information service for nurses and midwives, providing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • support and help on personal matters or hardship • telephone information and guidance for members (eg change of direction within nursing) • information on educational opportunities • help with job applications, CV and interview skills • databases on courses for professional development

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<p>British Nursing Association The Colonnades Beaconsfield Close Hatfield Hertfordshire AL10 8YD Tel: 0800 581691 www.bna.co.uk</p>	<p>Has a job shop and career section for registered nurses and care assistants – updated weekly</p>
<p>Community Practitioners' and Health Visitors' Association 33–37 Moreland Street London EC1 8HA Tel: 020 7780 4000 www.msfcphva.org</p>	<p>Offers careers advice on an ad hoc basis to its members, for example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • advice on career changes for those in primary and community care • information on health visitor training • information packs for district nurses, school nurses and GPNs on interview techniques, in addition to up-to-date reading material to prepare them for interviews • leadership courses