RCN Ophthalmic Nursing Conference:

Leading excellence in patient safety and quality improvement

RCN HQ, London
Saturday 10 April 2027, 09.30 – 16.00

Please note these programme details and timings are subject to change. A final programme will be in your delegate pack at the event.

Programme at a glance

8.45	**Registration, exhibition, networking and refreshments**
9.30	Chair's opening remarks and the day's safety challenge *Chair - Rebecca Turner, Ophthalmology Clinical Director (interim), Consultant Nurse, Oxford Eye Hospital*
9.35	Patient safety in eye care: the national picture
10.05	Learning from incidents and near misses *Helen Higham, Consultant Anaesthetist, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust and Director of OxSTaR (Oxford Simulation, Teaching and Research) Centre*
10.50	**Refreshments and exhibition viewing**
11.20	Quality improvement in the ophthalmic theatre *Nancy Higginbotton, Head of Nursing, Manchester Royal Eye Hospital*
11.50	Feeling empowered to Implement AI in ophthalmology *Lisette Bijma, Implementation Lead, Ufonia Limited*
12.35	**Lunch and exhibition viewing**

13.35	Safety at scale: high-volume intravitreal injection and cataract services
14.05	Equipping the future Ophthalmic nurse to drive improvements and innovations without comprimising health and safety *Alexandra Costa, Clinical Matron for Head and Neck, Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust*
14.40	**Refreshments and exhibition viewing**
15.00	This House believes… the ONF clinical debate Motion: This House believes that nurse-led services are being used to fill medical workforce gaps rather than to advance nursing. *RCN Ophthalmic Nursing Forum Committee*
15.45	Chair's summary: three things to take back, CPD and evaluation *Chair - Rebecca Turner, Ophthalmology Clinical Director (interim), Consultant Nurse, Oxford Eye Hospital*
16.00	**Conference close**