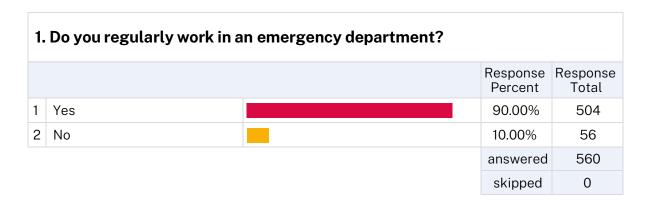
Royal College of Nursing 2023 Corridor Care Survey



The RCN conducted an online survey of members of the RCN's Emergency Care Association (ECA) exploring respondent's experiences of corridor care. The ECA represents RCN members working in emergency care.

The link to this survey was emailed to 6,451 members in the RCN's Emergency Care Association and publicised on the forum's social media accounts. The survey was open from Tuesday 18 April 2023 until Tuesday 25 April 2023.

The majority of questions were closed-ended (quantitative in nature) with three supplementary open-ended text questions. In total, 560 ECA members completed it. This signifies a 9% response rate from our sample and demonstrates a representative view of Emergency Care Association members. Statistically, this sample provides a 95% confidence level in the results, with a 4% margin of error, which we consider acceptable for this type of research.



2. Where do you work in the UK?				
		Response Percent	Response Total	
1 England		77.50%	434	
2 Scotland		5.89%	33	
3 Wales		12.32%	69	
4 Northern Ireland		4.82%	27	
5 Other (please specify):		0.89%	5	
		answered	560	
		skipped	0	

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3. In the last six months, have you had to provide care to patients in a non-designated clinical area such as a corridor, waiting room or store room?

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	At least once a day	71.61%	401
2	At least once a week	19.11%	107
3	At least once a month	6.43%	36
4	Never	2.86%	16
		answered	560
		skipped	0

4. Since the beginning of last year, has the frequency of providing care in non-designated clinical environments:

			Response Percent	Response Total
1	Increased		85.54%	479
2	Stayed the same		9.82%	55
3	Decreased		2.14%	12
4	Not sure		2.50%	14
			answered	560
			skipped	0

5. As far as you know, does your hospital deploy any nursing staff specifically to look after patients in non-designated clinical areas such as corridors?

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes	59.11%	331
2	No	40.89%	229
		answered	560
		skipped	0

6. Is the term 'corridor nursing' used?

	Response Percent	Response Total
1 Formally	36.96%	207
2 Informally	42.86%	240
3 Not at all	20.18%	113
	answered	560
	skipped	0

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7. Please tell us if you have observed any of the following impacts on patients of having care provided in non-designated clinical areas (tick all that apply)

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Clinical practice becomes physically difficult eg administration of IV therapies	91.61%	513
2	It is difficult to monitor patients	92.86%	520
3	Patient safety is compromised	91.79%	514
4	Patient confidentiality is compromised	95.00%	532
5	Patient dignity is compromised	96.79%	542
6	Patient distress is increased	86.61%	485
7	Patient privacy is compromised	97.32%	545
8	Relatives become distressed	86.96%	487
9	Patients and families are less satisfied with thecare they receive	89.29%	500
		answered	560
		skipped	0

8. Have you felt comfortable to raise any concerns about impacts on patients of having care provided in non-designated clinical areas?

		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes	66.25%	371
2	No	30.89%	173
3	I haven't needed to raise any concerns	2.86%	16
		answered	560
		skipped	0

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9. If you did raise a concern, were you satisfied with the response?				
		Respons Percen		
1	Yes	13.60%	74	
2	No	65.269	355	
3	I didn't raise a concern	21.14%	115	
		answer	ed 544	
		skippe	d 16	

10. Please tell us of any impact on yourself or other staff of providing care in these circumstances (tick all that apply). Response Response Percent Total My mental health has suffered 48.75% 273 2 It makes me feel stressed 86.79% 486 It takes me longer than usual 84.46% 473 to provide the care I need to It makes me feel worried that 4 patients may be receiving 93.93% 526 unsafe care I've worried about patients being harmed and being 68.04% 381 struck off the NMC register as a result I've worried about patients being harmed and this leading 391 69.82% to a court case involving myself or my colleagues I've considered leaving the 330 58.93% NHS I've faced increased violence or aggression from patients and relatives due to their 362 64.64% frustration that care is not provided in appropriate locations 560 answered skipped 0

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