

RCN Advanced Nurse Practitioner Conference



The Power of Advanced Nursing Practice

Venue: RCN HQ, 20 Cavendish Square, London, W1G 0RN or Online (Zoom Events)

Date: Friday 2nd October 2026

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

09.00	Registration, exhibition, networking and refreshments
09.45	Chair's Opening Remarks Sharlene Hogan, <i>Chair, RCN Advanced Nurse Practitioner Forum</i>
10.00	Defining the True Value of Advanced Practice in Modern Healthcare Professor Alison Leary MBE FRCN, <i>RCN Deputy President</i>
10.30	Update on the Review of Advanced Practice – Development of Additional Regulation for Advanced Level Nurses Paula McLaren, <i>Senior Nursing Adviser for Advanced Practice, The Nursing and Midwifery Council</i>
11.00	Refreshments and exhibition viewing
11.30	Strong Basics. Better Outcomes. Dr Kate Allatt, <i>Author, Health Speaker, Consultant, Kate Allatt Ltd</i>
12.00	Finding the Confidence to Deliver Autonomous Practice in the Community Maria Betts, <i>Advanced Nurse Practitioner, Northern Health and Social Care Trust, Northern Ireland and RCN ANP Forum Member</i>
12.30	The Role of Research within Advanced Nursing Practice - Factors Affecting Engagement Caitriona McGarrell,

	<i>Emergency Injuries Advanced Nurse Practitioner. Registered Nurse Prescriber. Emergency Department St James Hospital, Dublin</i>
13.00	Lunch and exhibition viewing
14.00	Teaching for Impact: Shaping Practice Through Learning Professor Aisha Holloway, <i>Chief Nursing Officer for Scotland, and Chair of Nursing Studies, University of Edinburgh</i>
14.30	Adaptive Leadership in Advanced Practice: Thriving Amidst Uncertainty and Change Dame Sue Tranka DBE, <i>Chief Nursing Officer and Nurse Director NHS Wales</i>
15.00	Refreshments and exhibition viewing
15.25	My Advanced Clinical Practitioner Journey Carolyn Campbell-Cole, <i>Consultant Arrhythmia Nurse, St George's NHS Foundation Trust</i>
15.55	Panel Discussion – Advanced Nursing Practice under Scrutiny: A Conversation on Policy, Regulation and Workforce <u>Chair:</u> Sharlene Hogan, <i>Chair, RCN Advanced Nurse Practitioner Forum</i> <u>Panellists:</u> Professor Lynn Woolsey , <i>RCN UK Chief Nursing Officer</i> Professor Aisha Holloway , <i>Chief Nursing Officer for Scotland, and Chair of Nursing Studies, University of Edinburgh</i> Dame Sue Tranka DBE , <i>Chief Nursing Officer and Nurse Director NHS Wales</i> Paula McLaren , <i>Senior Nursing Adviser for Advanced Practice, The Nursing and Midwifery Council</i>
16.25	Closing Remarks Adele Parsons, <i>Vice Chair, RCN Advanced Nurse Practitioner Forum and Senior Lecturer at University of Lincoln</i>
16.30	Conference close