RCN Perioperative Care Conference

The Future of Theatre Nursing: Safety, Skill, and Innovation

Royal College of Nursing, 20 Cavendish Square, London W1G 0RN
Tuesday 23 February 2027

Please note these programme details and timings are subject to change. A final programme will be available at the event.

Programme at a glance

8.45	Registration, networking and refreshments
9.45	Chair's opening remarks Dr Angeline Price, Chair RCN Perioperative Care Forum Advanced Nurse Practitioner, Salford Royal Hospital
10.00	The future of perioperative care Bejoy Sebastian, President, RCN
10.30	Introducing our education framework for operating theatre nursing Joanna Holland, Senior Lecturer, University of Brighton RCN Perioperative Forum Committee Vice Chair
11.00	Refreshments and networking
11.30	Antimicrobial Stewardship in the Perioperative Pathway Jo McEwen, Lead Antimicrobial Stewardship Nurse, NHS Tayside
12.00	Robotics and the future of surgery Estelle Martin, Surgical Care Practitioner and Robotics SIG Lead, AfPP
12.30	Lunch and networking

13:30	**Workshops**		
Room	**Cowdray Hall**	**101/102**	**307**
13.30 – 14.15	**When Every Second Counts - Managing Obstetrics Emergencies** Mihaela Cristea, Theatre Team Leader, Liverpool Women's Hospital Danielle Smith, Out of Hours Site Manager, Liverpool Women's Hospital	**Managing theatre emergencies** Richard Ogden, College of Operating Department Practitioners	**Fire & Evacuation within the Operating Theatres** Lauren Waugh, Practice Education Lead, Perioperative Care, Salford Royal Hospital within Northern Care Alliance Trust
14.15	**Five minute transition time**		
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15.05	**Refreshments and networking**		
15.30	**Panel discussion:** **Right People, Right Roles, Right Response: Keeping Patients Safe in Challenging Situations** Chair: Dr Angeline Price, Chair RCN Perioperative Care Forum Joanna Holland, Senior Lecturer, University of Brighton, RCN Perioperative Forum Committee Vice Chair Estelle Martin, Surgical Care Practitioner – Robotics SIG Lead, AfPP		
16.15	**Chair's closing remarks** Dr Angeline Price, Chair RCN Perioperative Care Forum Advanced Nurse Practitioner, Salford Royal Hospital		
16.30	**Conference close**		