RCN Representation Summary Report

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Name of Forum	Nursing in Justice and Forensic	Date of Report	28 th September 2023	
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Professional Lead	Dr Liz Walsh	Forum Chair	Paul McAleer	

Please provide a summary of how the forum has represented the RCN over the past 6 months and the key points for FGG to note:

The forum has represented the RCN over the past six months in two external meetings and one international conference.

- 1) Royal College of General Practitioners Secure Environments Group, 10th annual summit planning committee: *Paul McAleer, Forum Chair and Abi Bartlett, forum committee member*
- 2) Attendance at the Queens Nursing Institute Field Specific Advisory Board, overseeing the development of specialist practitioner standards for Health in Justice: *Paul McAleer, forum Chair*
- 3) Presentation of the RCN SPACE Principles for Dementia Care in Prison at the 13th Biennial Custody and Caring conference in Saskatoon, Canada: *Deanna Mezen, forum committee member and Edwina Gould, Forum member*

Impact

Member representation at **the RCGP Annual Secure Environments Summit organising committee** has significantly raised the profile of nursing and nurses in health and justice settings with our colleagues at the Royal College of General Practitioners Secure Environments Group and raised awareness of the role and function of the Royal College of Nursing. Fostering this relationship through collaborating with medical colleagues working in secure environments, we are now formally collaborating to present the annual conference and are now regular contributors to the RCGP Secure Environments Group steering committee meetings to provide an update from the RCN.

Member representation at the **QNI Field Specific Advisory Board** has enabled oversight of the development of field specific standards for nurses and nursing in health and justice settings, which meet the needs of nurses and patients. This work is ongoing and our involvement in it has enabled networking with colleagues in the field, and wider development of a shared enthusiasm for nursing in health and justice settings.

Deanna Mezen and Edwina Gould presented their work to implement the RCN SPACE principles for dementia care in prison, at the **International Custody and Caring Conference** in Canada in September 2023. Their presentation and subsequent activity on Twitter and via networking at the conference has led to an increase in awareness of the RCN and its resources to support nurses working in health and justice settings, whilst linking them with colleagues in Canada and the USA with shared interest in the area.