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## RCN Awards

Dr Ann McMahon is one of eight nurses awarded an RCN Fellowship in 2020. Fellowships recognise individuals who have made an exceptional commitment to advancing the science and practice of nursing and the improvement of health and patient care.

[Read more](#)



## RCN forums

Applications are now open to join a number of RCN forum steering committees, including the Research Society. It's an opportunity to influence both the RCN and the nursing profession more broadly when it comes to the things that matter in your specialism.

[Apply by 14 August](#)

## In case you missed it

The recording of a webinar, 'Supporting clinical academic researchers in the recovery and restoration from the COVID-19 crisis', is now available to view. The webinar, which took place on 8 July, was supported by the Council of Deans and the RCN.

[Watch the webinar](#)

## Education research

The RCN Education Forum conference takes place 20-21 April 2021 in London. Submit your abstract by 27 September.

[Find out more](#)

## Research in Wales

Health Care Research Wales is hosting its annual conference online on 7 October. The programme is available.

[Register](#)

## Research funding opportunities

The following research funding opportunities are relevant for nurse or midwife researchers. Closing dates for September 2020 include the following grants.

- [Research grants and career development bursary](#), Healthcare Infection Society, closes 1 September.
- [Clinical research training fellowships](#), Medical Research Council, closes 2 September.
- [Senior research fellowships and career development fellowships](#), Versus Arthritis, closes 9 September.
- [Pre-doctoral research bursary](#), Cancer Research UK, closes 17 September.
- [Research involvement awards](#), Parkinson's UK, closes 23 September.

You can see more opportunities like these, including fellowships and help to attend conferences, on our research funding web page.

[Find funding](#)

## Increasing impact

The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) provides national

## Cancer research

The National Cancer Research Institute (NCRI) is hosting a virtual showcase 2-3

guidance to improve health and social care. As a nursing professional, there are a number of ways you can participate in the development of NICE guidance.

[Find out more](#)

November. Submit an abstract by 13 September for the chance to present your research as an e-poster, a pre-recorded presentation, or a paper session.

[Find out more](#)

## Quality improvement

The Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) North East and North Cumbria (NENC) has produced an improvement toolkit. It provides practical advice, tools and resources to help you understand and improve safety culture, and how to select and apply quality improvement methodologies.

[Download the toolkit](#)

## Research impact

VICTOR (visible impact of research) is a tool to help collect and make visible the impact of delivering research within an NHS organisation on the organisation itself. Potential impacts are changes in workforce, skills and knowledge, service delivery, patient and carer experience, economic benefits and changes in culture.

[Find out more](#)

## Research findings

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Evidence website presents high quality summaries of findings from health and care research, making research informative, accessible, relevant and ready for use for all. Recent examples include.

- [Physician associates appear to make a positive contribution to inpatient care.](#)
- [Closer links between police and health services can improve experiences for people in mental health crisis.](#)
- [Enhanced communication and staff training could improve the experience of maternity services for asylum-seeking women.](#)

- [Better strategies are needed to reduce preventable patient harm in health care.](#)
- [Telephone-delivered cognitive behavioural therapy can provide lasting benefits for people with irritable bowel syndrome.](#)

Visit NIHR Evidence to read more alerts, highlights and themed reviews.

[Further examples](#)

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## Support your career

The NIHR Academy has run a number of webinars to help develop and support people in their careers through training. They are available to view in a dedicated YouTube playlist and include advice on presenting virtually, mentoring effectively, collaborating virtually through disruption, and more.

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