



The voice of nursing in the UK

COVID-19: nursing workforce survey

In order to capture your stories and experiences of managing this crisis, we invite you to participate in a short survey, which will provide a picture of what is happening across the UK.

[Complete survey](#)



Online resources

To support all nurses and health care professionals during this challenging period, Nursing Standard has developed a dedicated collection of free resources relevant to the current COVID-19 pandemic. These include evidence-based clinical articles, and a selection of relevant RCNi learning modules.

Mixed methods research

Nurse Researcher is seeking papers for a special 'mixed methods' issue. As more researchers use mixed methods approaches to address complex issues, a range of theoretical, philosophical, methodological and practical issues need to be considered in designing, conducting and reporting such research.

[View the resources](#)

[Find out more](#)

Research impact

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) is looking for a range of experienced professionals to join various funding panels and boards. Nurses are encouraged to apply.

[Apply by 24 April](#)

Research capacity building

Round five of the UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) future leaders fellowship scheme is now open. The scheme is open to researchers and innovators from any discipline.

[Apply by 30 April](#)

Research funding opportunities

The following research funding opportunities are relevant for nurse or midwife researchers. Closing dates for May 2020 include the following grants, although please note these are subject to very rapid change at the present time.

- [Endocrine nurse grant](#), Society for Endocrinology, closes 6 May.
- [Grants](#), Prostate Cancer Research Centre, closes 8 May.
- [Research involvement awards](#), Parkinson's UK, closes 27 May.
- [Smaller research projects fund](#), The Urology Foundation, closes 31 May.
- [Research and development grants](#), Resuscitation Council (UK), closes 31 May.

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

[Find funding](#)

Older people

The Social Care Institute for Excellence (SCIE) has published a quick guide for registered managers of care homes, Promoting positive mental wellbeing for older people.

[Read the guide](#)

Care home research

In this blog from the NIHR Applied Research Collaboration (ARC) West Midlands, research fellow Sarah Damery shares some lessons learned about doing research in care homes.

[Read the blog](#)

Research methods

The National Centre for Research Methods (NCRM) has a suite of online resources that are intended to help people interested in social science research methods.

[View the resources](#)

NIHR research

The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has announced the establishment of a single, national process for prioritisation of all COVID-19 research studies.

[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.

- [A laser eye procedure can be effective and safe if used early as treatment for glaucoma.](#)
- [Smartphones instead of direct supervision can improve adherence rates for tuberculosis treatment.](#)

- [Steps to better understanding resistant behaviours and the culture of bedside dementia care in hospitals.](#)
- [Psychological therapies may improve parenting skills in parents of children with chronic illness.](#)
- [More than 50% of hip replacements appear to last 25 years.](#)

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

Further examples

NICE guidelines

The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) is developing a series of rapid guidelines on the active management of COVID-19 infection. The first three guidelines cover the management of patients in critical care, patients who are having kidney dialysis, and patients who are receiving systemic anticancer treatments.

[Read the guidelines](#)

Informed decision making

The National Collaborating Centre for Methods and Tools (NCCMT) (Canada) has launched the Quality Assessment of Community Evidence (QACE) tools. They can be used by health professionals to assess community evidence, and help you answer the question: is the quality of this evidence good enough to influence decision making?

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