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Clinical research nursing

The inaugural RCN Clinical Research Nursing Day takes place online on 29 April. A provisional programme is now available.

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RCN Research Society

The call for abstracts is open for the 2021 RCN International Nursing Research Conference, taking place 7-9 September in Bristol. The over-arching theme of the conference is the value of nursing research in a time of global crisis.

Early career researcher

Are you currently registered on a doctoral programme? Why not consider this development opportunity for an early career researcher to join the scientific committee of the RCN 2021 research conference.

Submit by 5 March

Apply by 12 February

Quality improvement

The Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) West of England is hosting a series of five online workshops from 27 January on quality improvement (QI). Free to attend, each one-hour session is standalone so you can choose individual workshops or sign-up for the series.

Register

Research for patient benefit

Competition 44 of the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) programme is now open. Applications are invited for research proposals that are concerned with the day-to-day practice of health service staff. Apply by 10 March.

Find out more

RCN publications

RCN publications cover a wide range of topics varying from clinical guidance to employment relations issues to advice on bullying. Recent publications include.

- [Raising and Escalating Concerns.](#)
- [Termination of Pregnancy: an RCN Nursing Framework.](#)
- [Fair Care for Trans and Non-binary People.](#)
- [Caring for Children and Young People. Guidance for Nurses Working in the Independent Sector.](#)
- [Looked After Children: Roles and Competencies of Health Care Staff.](#)

Visit the RCN website for the full range of RCN publications.

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Research funding

Research grants are available from the General Nursing Council for England and Wales Trust. The specific focus of the 2021 call is learning from the COVID-19 pandemic in health and social care: implications for nursing practice.

[Apply by 1 March](#)

Research impact

The NIHR Evidence Synthesis Programme (ESP) is seeking to appoint a member to its advisory group. This opportunity is for an NHS employee with a good understanding of the evidence synthesis / systematic reviews landscape.

[Apply by 26 February](#)

Research impact

The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) is looking for members to join the multiple obstetric guideline committee for the update of the guideline on intrapartum care for healthy women and babies.

[Apply by 4 February](#)

Research policy

The Health Foundation has published a report, Building the NHS nursing workforce in England. The report provides an in-depth analysis of the last 10 years of trends in recruitment and retention in the nursing workforce.

[Read the report](#)

Research funding opportunities

The following research funding opportunities are relevant for nurse or midwife researchers. Closing dates for February 2021 include the following grants.

- [Career development bursary](#), Healthcare Infection Society, closes 1 February.
- [Diabetes fund](#), The Novo Nordisk UK Research Foundation, closes 1 February.
- [Project grants](#), Parkinson's UK, closes 3 February.
- [Large project grants](#), Barts Charity, closes 3 February.
- [Clinical research fellowships](#), Versus Arthritis, closes 10 February.
- [Nurse and allied health professional internship scheme](#), Versus Arthritis, closes 24 February.

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

[Find funding](#)

Research methodology

The Patient Reported Outcomes Measures (PROMs) research conference takes place online 16-17 June. Abstracts from clinicians, researchers and PhD students are invited.

[Submit by 8 February](#)

Research capacity building

Northumbria University invites applications for a fully funded PhD studentship, Improving mental health nurses' and practitioners' person and practice related attitudes.

[Apply by 29 January](#)

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