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Calling clinical research nurses

The RCN Research Society Clinical Research Nurses sub-committee is interested in receiving accounts of your reflections and experiences of working through the pandemic.

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Research conference

The RCN International Nursing Research Conference 2021 will now take place online, 7-9 September. The event will be hosted on the world leading all-in-one virtual conference platform Hopin, which enables a highly interactive and engaging experience for delegates.

ME/CFS research

The James Lind Alliance Priority Setting Partnership (PSP) for myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome (ME/CFS) needs your help to pick the questions that you would like to see answered by research. Input from nurses is especially welcomed.

[Register](#)

[Complete the survey](#)

#Red4Research campaign

The #Red4Research day on 18 June aims to get as many people as possible wearing red to demonstrate their support and appreciation for all those participating, undertaking and supporting COVID-19 research.

[Find out more](#)

Cancer research

The Wales Cancer Research Centre (WCRC) is holding the first regional cancer Allied Health Professional (AHP) and nurse research network conference on 23 June. The free event will take place online.

[Register](#)

Research findings

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

- [More health research should take place in the areas and populations with most disease.](#)
- [Terminally ill patients and their families often need more help to manage their medicines.](#)
- [New research provides insights into the distress experienced by transgender adults.](#)
- [With the right training, people with learning disabilities can become partners in research.](#)

- [Working may improve quality of life for carers of people with dementia.](#)

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

Further examples

Postgraduate studentship

The University of South Wales invites applications for a fully funded MbyRes studentship, Exploring the impact of digital storytelling for health.

[Apply by 20 June](#)

Research impact

The NIHR Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Programme is seeking to appoint health and social care professionals to its funding committees.

[Apply by 30 July](#)

Evidence repository

The West of England Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) has launched the Evidence Repository, a portal for safely sharing non-peer reviewed documents that are not published elsewhere, to promote a culture of shared learning and collaboration.

[Find out more](#)

Research impact

The latest NIHR annual report has been published. You can read about the major research achievements against their six workstreams. The report celebrates NIHR support and funding and the impact this has had on the health and social care system.

[Read the report](#)

Research funding opportunities

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

- [Large project grants for research](#), Barts Charity, closes 2 July.
- [Foundation fellowships](#), Versus Arthritis, closes 14 July.
- [Doctoral fellowship \(round 6\)](#), NIHR, closes 15 July.
- [Themed research call \(paediatric dermatology\)](#), UK Dermatology Clinical Trials Network, closes 19 July.
- [Prevention and population research project awards](#), Cancer Research UK, closes 22 July.

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

[Find funding](#)

Improvement science

The NIHR Applied Research Collaboration (ARC) Yorkshire and Humber has produced a short video outlining why it is important to identify barriers and facilitators to improving clinical practice at the start of quality improvement projects. It also touches upon how to go about this and some of the key issues to bear in mind.

Increasing impact

External peer reviewers help the NIHR at every stage of the research process. Reviewers help to prioritise research topics, ensure the best applications are funded, and help to shape the open access reports published by the NIHR Journals Library. They play a vital role in maintaining and improving the quality of NIHR research.

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