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## Nursing research

Booking is now open for the RCN International Nursing Research Conference, taking place 7-9 September in Bristol.

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## Research impact

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

[Apply by 23 April](#)

## Research training

The NIHR Applied Research Collaboration (ARC) Northwest London invites applications for its improvement leader fellowship programme. Nurses are eligible to apply.

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## Get involved

The Represent-CRN study is part of the RCN strategic research alliance with the University of Sheffield. Do you have views about the conduct of clinical research in the NHS, and are not involved in this type of activity? If so, please consider sharing your views to help with this research study.

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## Improve NHS decision making

The NIHR Centre for Engagement and Dissemination is looking for health and social care professionals to provide reviews on recently published, NIHR-funded research. Your views will help to determine the importance of the research findings and provide guidance on what evidence should be disseminated.

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## Sharing health evidence you can trust

Evidently Cochrane aims to make Cochrane evidence really accessible, and to encourage discussion about it, through blogs which usually feature new or updated reviews on a health topic.

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Please visit the Evidently Cochrane website for a complete list of blogs, including evidence for nursing and evidence for maternity care.

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## Leading through COVID-19

Join us for the fourth in a series of RCN virtual events exploring nursing experiences of the COVID-19 Pandemic. In this event, Estephanie Dunn interviews two nurses in leadership roles. The webinar takes place on 8 April.

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## Research leadership

Congratulations to Professor Jill Maben, University of Surrey who has been appointed to the NIHR College of Senior Investigators for 2021, and to Professor Claire Goodman, University of Hertfordshire, for her reappointment.

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## PhD studentship

The University of Dundee is offering a fully funded PhD studentship, My baby, my choice; experiences of mothers with intellectual disabilities and their infant feeding choices.

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## Bite-sized learning

Cancer Research UK has developed a suite of high quality evidence-based online learning resources specifically for health professionals. The resources include videos, podcasts, and e-learning.

[Access the resources](#)

## Online learning

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- [Quality improvement in health care: the case for change.](#)

Alternatively, have a look at the Future Learn website to see what else is coming up.

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## Electronic patient records

Lauren Carson, a researcher in maternity and perinatal mental health at the NIHR Applied Research Collaboration (ARC) South London, explains how she is using real time clinical data to understand the impact of inequality and the combined impact of physical and mental illness on pregnancy and the baby.

[Read the blog](#)

## Scholarship

The Foundation of Nursing Studies (FoNS) 2021 Richard Tompkins nurse development scholarship is open for applications. This scholarship is aimed at practitioners who are working clinically in any health or social care setting UK-wide, and is targeting in particular, those at ward sister level or equivalent.

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