



The voice of nursing in the UK

RCN Forums

Forums make a significant contribution to the nursing voice and professional offer of the RCN. This report provides an overview of the range of work that forum members have achieved during 2020.

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Lifelong learning

The RCN has launched the Education, Learning and Development Strategy. Partnering with RCNi, the aim is to provide professional leadership, education, personal development, clinical and research opportunities that will boost

Missed care in the community

A secondary analysis of an RCN staffing survey, done by the RCN strategic research alliance team at the University of Sheffield, showed that in primary care and the community, missed care was significantly more likely to occur on

training and development for all parts of the nursing workforce.

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understaffed shifts (39%) compared to fully staffed shifts (23%).

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Mental health nursing research

The RCN International Mental Health Nursing Research Conference takes place 9-10 June. Join us online for an exciting and informative programme of talks, debates and presentations about transforming mental health care services.

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Research funding

Crohn's and Colitis UK invites applications for funding of research that is novel/original, good value for money, and will benefit people with Crohn's, Colitis, or any other form of Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) in the UK.

[Apply by 28 May](#)

Innovation case studies

The Academic Health Science Networks (AHSN) Atlas is a platform for the very best examples, from across the 15 AHSNs in England, of how to spread high impact innovation across the health and care system.

- [Introducing digital pathways to reduce unnecessary follow up outpatient appointments.](#)
- [Moving diabetic foot care to the community using a digital solution.](#)
- [Detecting early stage liver disease.](#)

Alternatively, visit the AHSN Atlas website to search the full range of projects.

[View more projects](#)

Inaugural lecture - online

Join Professor Jacqueline Leigh, University of Salford, on 27 May as she gives her inaugural lecture, The future of nurse education practice: imagining the art of the possible.

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A research portfolio

NHS England has launched a collection of research studies that demonstrate the impact and contribution that nursing, midwifery and care staff can make to transforming health and care.

[Find out more](#)

Research impact

Could you be the next Programme Director of the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Health Services and Delivery Research (HSDR) Programme? You will succeed Professor Jo Rycroft-Malone, who comes to the end of her tenure at the end of November 2021.

Nurse-led care

The Professional Record Standards Body (PRSB) has been asked to develop a new nursing standard by NHSX for use across health and social care settings. The standard will aim to improve quality and safety of care in key nurse-led areas, including care planning.

[Apply by 5 July](#)

[Find out more](#)

Research funding opportunities

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

- [Early career small grants and project grants](#), Diabetes UK, closes 1 June.
- [Awards and fellowships](#), Multiple Sclerosis Society, closes 15 June.
- [Clinical doctoral research fellowship](#), Health Education England/NIHR, closes 15 June.
- [Research fellowships for health professionals](#), Wellcome, closes 16 June.
- [Sir Robert Boyd fellowship \(older people\)](#), The Dowager Countess Eleanor Peel Trust, closes 30 June.

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

[Find funding](#)

PhD funding

Wellbeing of Women has partnered with the NIHR to fund a doctoral fellowship.

Applications are welcomed in three areas: pregnancy, birth and the postpartum period; gynaecological cancers; and

Cancer clinical trials

Cancer Research UK is hosting a free online webinar for clinical research nurses on 20 May. The webinar will explore positive lessons from delivering cancer clinical trials during COVID-19, and how

general wellbeing issues like
endometriosis and menopause.

these insights can influence the future of
cancer trial delivery for the better.

Apply by 15 July

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