

Healing and rebuilding: finding hope for the future

UK Joint Reps Conference

Thursday 18 – Friday 19 March 2021

Conference brochure
and guide



Welcome to the RCN UK Joint Representatives Conference Spring 2021

The UK Reps Committees warmly welcome you to this virtual conference. The aim is to provide an informative and supportive event for the rep community, where there will be plenty of opportunity for engagement and networking. It is hoped this will leave you feeling supported, appreciated and armed with information to share and support your colleagues back in your workplace.

If you have any questions during the conference, please visit the Help Desk located in the exhibition area of the virtual venue.

For the full programme and event details please see the conference website.

[Conference website](#)

Our virtual venue: Hopin

The event will be hosted on the world leading all-in one virtual conference platform; Hopin, which enables a highly interactive and engaging experience.

Please note that this is a private event for RCN accredited reps who will be required to have a valid conference booking.

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Virtual platform

All booked participants will be emailed details on how to login to Hopin, our virtual venue, in advance of the conference starting.

For best results

- use a computer if possible
- if using a tablet, please ensure you have downloaded Google Chrome and use this browser to enter Hopin.
- using a personal device reduces the risk of organisational firewalls blocking access
- use Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox
- close any programmes you don't need or that also use a camera
- open in an incognito window
- if something goes wrong, try refreshing your browser.

There is a short video on how Hopin works on our website:

[Conference website](#)

Following the conference, all recorded sessions will be available at the RCN Rep's Learning Portal:

[RCN Rep's Learning Portal](#)

Hopin navigation



Reception

Reception area

View the programme and access the different areas of the virtual venue.



Main stage

Main stage

Watch the keynotes and plenary sessions, where you can interact live using the main stage chat.



Breakout rooms

Breakout rooms

Watch workshops and join in the conversation using the breakout room chat or by sharing your camera and audio.



Networking

Networking

Informal chat with fellow reps with the option to connect and share contact details.



Exhibition

Exhibition

Enter the exhibition area at any time to view more information about how the RCN can support you.

[Watch our short video guide to Hopin](#)

Your profile

On first access you'll be prompted to set up your Hopin profile.

Your profile helps you connect with others at the event and supports networking. Upload a profile photo, add your place of work, job title, social media contacts and a brief biography to help give you more presence at the event.

Conference chat

To facilitate interactivity, a chat function is available for sharing information, views and comments at the event, in the main stage and within each breakout room as well as in the exhibition.

Do bear in mind when posting that the chat is public and visible to everyone.

Anything shared in the chat must be respectful, courteous and in line with the RCN Respect Charter.

[RCN Respect Charter](#)

Participants will be removed from the conference and virtual platform if posts are deemed inappropriate or offensive.

Technical support

Should you have any technical issues, please visit the Help Desk located in the exhibition area.

See [best results](#) for general tips that may help.

Autumn conference

2021

Please save the date for the RCN UK Joint Representatives Autumn conference: 7-8 October 2021

Further details will be shared in due course.

Forums

The RCN has professional forums across the diverse nursing arena and welcomes students, Nursing Support Workers and Nursing Associates.

Forums hugely influence and direct the work of the RCN whilst providing a valuable opportunity to network with colleagues around the UK and be involved in:

- Consultation responses
- A range of events from conferences to workshops
- Forum-led publications

To begin your forum journey visit:

[RCN Forums](#)

General information

Enquiries

Please visit the Help Desk located in the exhibition area of the virtual venue for support throughout the event.

Registration and tickets

This private event is for RCN accredited reps only and eligible members must book to attend. On completion of booking, details on how to access the Hopin platform to join the event will be shared in advance by email.

Programme

The full programme and details of the times and locations of all sessions can be found on the event website.

This information will also be available in the Reception area of the virtual platform.

[Conference programme](#)

Video on demand

Recordings to watch on demand after the live event will be available on the RCN Rep's Learning Portal by mid April:

[RCN Rep's Learning Portal](#)

Specific requirements

Should you have any specific requirements for which you need support to join the conference please email jointrepsconf@rcn.org.uk

Event terms and conditions

Bookings to attend RCN events are subject to RCN Terms and Conditions which can be found on our website.

[Events terms and conditions](#)

Please be aware that in order to provide the RCN's programme of events, there may be occasions when your name and email address will be shared with RCN sub-contractors who will only use the data provided for the purpose of providing the content to you.

The RCN Group privacy statement is available on our website.

[Privacy statement](#)

CPD

The RCN believes in lifelong learning and actively promotes the **continuing professional development** of all nurses. A self-learning certificate will be available on the RCN website after the event. You should log what you have learnt at this event using the Framework for Reflection guidelines on the back of your certificate and keep this document in your personal professional portfolio.

[Development and practice](#)

Free information at your fingertips

The RCN offers a number of FREE online resources with all the latest information and guidance on particular nursing practice issues such as: clinical guidelines, patient safety and eHealth as well as subject guides and resources on the Library & Heritage Centre website, visit:

[RCN Library](#)

Have your say

Please take a few minutes to evaluate this event and give us your thoughts and suggestions. The evaluation will be sent by email at the end of the conference.

Thank you in advance for your feedback.

Supporters listing

The Royal College of Nursing would like to thank the following organisations for supporting this event.



[LV=](#)



[Lighthouse Financial Advice](#)

Exhibitors listing

To provide additional support to reps during the conference, the following RCN teams and event supporters will be sharing further information in the exhibition.

LV=

Lighthouse Financial Advice

RCN Employment Relations Department

RCN Law

RCN Library

RCN Member Support Services

RCN Pay campaign

RCN Safe Staffing campaign

RCNXtra

The Help Desk will also be located in the exhibition.

Future RCN events

To view all upcoming physical and virtual events please visit our website.

[RCN events listing](#)

Acknowledgement and thanks

RCN UK Joint Representatives Committee

Ali Upton	Chair UK Safety Reps Committee
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