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### Travelling fellowships

Applications are now open for the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust 2018 travelling fellowships. Nurses have a great track record in applying for these, and nursing is a category this year.

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### Mixed methods evaluation

The Health Foundation, in support of NHS Improvement, is recruiting a provider to undertake an independent evaluation of the NHS partnership with Virginia Mason Institute.



### Improving patient experience

RCNi and Cancer Research UK recently facilitated a roundtable discussion with clinical research nurses and clinical nurse specialists to discuss improving patient experience in clinical trials.

[Read the article](#)

### Medication e-learning

The SCRIPT e-learning toolkit for nurses provides free training around drug safety and medicine optimisation, which remains a crucial issue within patient safety.

Apply by 8 August

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The National Institute for Health Research Dissemination Centre (NIHR DC) critically appraise the latest health research to identify the most reliable, relevant and significant findings. Recent examples include:

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- [Repetitive task training can help recovery after stroke](#)
- [Giving immediate antibiotics reduces deaths from sepsis](#)

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#### Save the date

The annual conference of Health and Care Research Wales takes place on 5 October 2017, Cardiff, Wales. [...more](#)

#### Save the date

RCN 2018 annual international nursing research conference, 16-18 April 2018, Birmingham, UK. [...more](#)

#### Save the date

Present your research at the Canadian doctoral nursing network conference, 11-13 June 2018, Regina, Canada. [...more](#)

#### High impact innovations

The NHS innovation accelerator is an NHS England initiative. The latest call seeks health care innovations to help improve patients' lives, focusing on key NHS priorities including mental health, primary care and urgent and emergency care.

Apply by 26 July

#### Doctoral education

The international network for doctoral education in nursing (INDEN) biennial conference, 26-27 July, Dublin. The conference will explore innovative models of doctoral nursing education that promote faculty and student scholarship worldwide.

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#### Bright ideas in health awards

#### Evidence-informed case studies

Celebrating the achievements of individuals and teams who have brought about improvements to the service provided to patients, either through a technical innovation or through better service delivery. The competition is open to those working in the north-east of England and north Cumbria.

[Submit by 11 September](#)

These case studies, compiled by the NIHR Collaboration for Leadership in Applied Health Research and Care (CLAHRC) West, illustrate how using evidence and carrying out service evaluation can positively influence a number of aspects of commissioning - in these cases focusing on health services.

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