



RCN Research Society

The 2017 Winifred Raphael Memorial Lecture (WRML), *When words are not enough*, takes place on 12 October in Bristol. Professor Jane Coad has a strong background and years of experience in art and nursing children with long-term health needs. Her lecture will have something for all: using arts-based approaches; research into difficult health needs, and thinking creatively in your work.

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RCN research conference 2018

The call for abstracts has opened for the RCN annual international nursing research conference, which takes place 16-18 April 2018 in Birmingham, England, UK. The closing date for submission of abstracts is 5 November 2017.

[Submit your abstract](#)

Photography competition

Health and Care Research Wales are looking for photographs of health and



Building research partnerships

This free workshop, *Involving the public in the design and conduct of research*, will look at practical ways to involve patients and the public as partners in the research process. It takes place on 12 October 2017 in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

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Research funding

The Health Foundation's new £1.5 million funding programme is a research-led

social care research in Wales, showcasing what makes research extraordinary.

Submit by 8 September

open call for innovative research on the economic and social value of health in the UK.

Apply by 29 September

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. Case studies include:

- [Improving return rates to psychiatric wards](#)
- [Hydrate in care homes](#)
- [Improving the physical health of people with serious mental illness](#)
- [Reducing patient falls](#)

Alternatively, visit the [AHSN Atlas website](#) to search the full range of projects.

Research for patient benefit

Competition 34 of the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) programme has launched. Applicants are encouraged to have a look at the type of project that has been funded to date, including information on the new tier three funding stream.

Apply by 22 November

Research workshop

This free workshop, for researchers in the Yorkshire and Humber region, aims to promote understanding of the requirements and scope of the NIHR's Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) programme. It takes place on 10 October 2017 in Sheffield - early booking is advised.

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Policy research units

The NIHR Policy Research Programme invites proposals for Policy Research Units (PRUs) in a number of high priority areas. The purpose is to meet the longer-term policy research needs of the

Health care design

Realising a systems approach to health care design and delivery is a free two day conference, taking place 27-28 November 2017 in Cambridge. The aim of this event is to identify the diversity of

Department of Health, as well as to secure the capacity for work to be undertaken at short notice and for rapid synthesis of evidence.

[Apply by 9 October](#)

tools that are often employed by practitioners and researchers in the context of a systems approach to health care design and delivery.

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Prison health research

The Worldwide Prison Health Research and Engagement Network (WEPHREN) is an open access collaborative forum for everyone interested in prison health, aiming to build capacity through research and professional development.

[Find out more](#)

Introduction to leadership

RCN Leadership is a suite of bespoke programmes, giving you the confidence to lead positive and effective change within your organisation. A programme specifically aimed at bands 2-4 (health care support staff) has been launched.

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