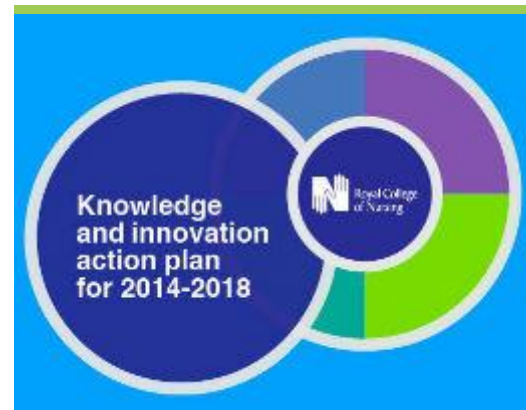


RCN nursing research conference update

The social calendar at our conference on 5-7 April are a PhD/Early Career Researcher social; a UK Nursing Professoriate Networking event; and 'There is a light', an original theatre performance inspired by the findings of the BRIGHTLIGHT study. This first major study of its kind presents young patients' perspectives on specialist cancer care in England.

[See what's happening](#)



Importance of nurse-led research

Findings from a survey of nurses released in February reports that nearly every respondent believes that nurse-led research is important to furthering best practice among the profession.

[Know more](#)

Contribute to health evidence

The Cochrane Crowd is a new citizen science platform of global volunteers who'll classify research to support informed decision-making about health care.

[Join the crowd](#)

Blogshots for sharing evidence

A series of webinars is for anyone interested in innovative approaches to knowledge translation and specifically creating and/or using blogshots to share evidence.

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Health care social media toolkit

A free toolkit created for the health care sector covers strategy to content including where to start, guides to the key platforms and best practice, templates and resources.

[Take me there](#)

Research on breathlessness

Find out what the current research is on COPD at this one-day event held by the Breathless Research Interest Group on 10 March.

More gender options wanted

A Canadian study on vulnerable youth talks about how we need to find ways to recognise non-binary genders in health research.

[Book a place](#)

[Find out more](#)

The following research funding opportunities are relevant for nurse or midwife researchers. Closing dates for March and April include the following grants:

- [Sir Julian Paget student research bursary 2017](#) Paget's Association, closes 10 March
- [innovating for improvement](#) The Health Foundation, closes 28 March
- 16/162 - [low-dose antidepressants for the treatment of irritable bowel syndrome](#) Health Technology Assessment Programme, closes 6 April
- 16/123 - [migrant health and wellbeing](#) Public Health Research Programme, closes 25 April.

You can see more opportunities like these including fellowships and help to attend conferences on our [research funding web page](#).

Genetic research to improve health

You'll get an insight into the emerging topic of combining social science and molecular genetic research at this five-day summer school in Oxford in June.

[Apply by 30 March](#)

Innovating for improvement

There's funding for health care teams to test and develop innovative ideas that'll improve health care delivery in the UK. Find out more at a free one-hour information call on 6 March.

[Sign up](#)

Mary Seacole awards 2017

Nurses, midwives and health visitors in England can apply for a grant to improve the health outcomes of people from black and minority ethnic communities.

[Apply by 5 May](#)

Funded three PhD studentships

You'll be working as a nurse, midwife or allied health professionals in the East Midlands for an organisation providing NHS care. You can study full or part-time.

[Apply by 7 May](#)

Children and young people's health

This nursing conference of five themes runs alongside a conference for physicians in London in May.

[Register to go](#)

The Researcher for nurses

The third edition of this online magazine raises awareness of research careers among nurses, midwives and allied health professionals.

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