

Research and Innovation Bulletin

Nursing and midwifery professoriate

Who holds substantive chairs in nursing or midwifery at UK Higher Education Institutions? The RCN publishes who and where nurses hold a professorial position in the UK, which may serve as a proxy indicator of the development of nursing academic and research leadership within the professions.

[Who they are](#)



Nurses leading innovation

Orthopaedic nurse Avril Sharman blogs about her experience of the Patient First programme that supports nurse-led innovation in practice.

[Read Avril's blog](#)

Endocrine nurse award

This award is for innovative and successful nurse-led initiatives that have advanced best practice in research, education or patient care.

[Apply by 16 June](#)

Share your improvement expertise

Be part of a growing community of health care professionals that includes nurses by offering your expertise to the Health Foundation's Q programme.

[Apply by 10 April](#)

Blog for Evidently Cochrane

Great opportunity for any midwives, nurses, student nurses or allied health professionals out there who'd like to write, or contribute to, a blog for Evidently Cochrane.

[Find out more](#)

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

- [mental health challenge awards](#) Invention for Innovation (i4i) , closes 5 April
- [career development fellowship](#) Arthritis Research UK, closes 12 April
- [research scholarships](#) Florence Nightingale Foundation, closes 18 May

- [project grants](#) Parkinson's UK, closes 24 May.

You can see more opportunities like these offered by charities and government agencies on our [research funding](#) web page.

RCN nursing research conference

The final programme detailing all of the sessions, posters, symposia and fringe events is now available. Find out who is talking about what aspect of nursing research and when.

[More information](#)

Research and quality group

This workshop in Belfast on 27 April is for nurses who have completed a research, quality or practice development project who want to showcase it and share with others.

[Book a place](#)

Dementia research awards

Nominate someone, or self-nominate, for these awards that recognise the contribution of early career researchers to dementia.

[Apply by 31 March](#)

Seminars on research funding

These free half-day seminars in Bristol on 27 April and in Bournemouth on 28 June are on applying for research funding.

[Register to go](#)

Nurse-led research

This study assesses whether a systematic nurse-led intervention increases the number of patients with advanced respiratory diseases to plan for their future care when they can no longer communicate.

[The findings say](#)

Appraising health evidence

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