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## Represent your speciality

Applications are now open for a number of vacancies on 35 RCN Forum Steering Committees, including the Research Society.

[Apply by 30 July](#)



## Research training

Applications are now open for the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Collaboration for Leadership in Applied Health Research and Care (CLAHRC) East of England fellowship programme.

[Apply by 24 August](#)

## Travelling fellowships

Applications are open for the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust 2019 travelling fellowships. Nurses have a great track record in applying for these, and nursing is a category this year. The closing date is 18 September 2018.

[Find out more](#)

## Join a network

RCN Northern Ireland networks are groups of members who have a special interest and/or expertise in a particular nursing speciality, working together to share ideas and improve practice. Each network is member-led and supported by an RCN Northern Ireland staff link.

[Find out more](#)

## Health services research

The NIHR Clinical Research Network has developed a toolkit for the health services research community. The toolkit includes ideas, guidance and support together in one place, to help researchers deliver high quality health services research that the NHS needs.

[Access the toolkit](#)

## Online learning

Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) are a great way to learn flexibly with the world's top universities, health schools and health care organisations.

- [Why planning your research matters.](#)
- [Health and wellbeing in the ancient world.](#)
- [Why ethics matter: ethical research.](#)
- [Improving health care through clinical research.](#)

Alternatively, have a look at the [Future learn](#) website to see what else is coming up. Most MOOCs are free.

## Citizen science

A new report exploring citizen science in research reveals the power of people to generate ideas, solve problems, and work together to deliver on scientific goals.

*Citizen science: crowdsourcing for*

## Qualitative research

This blog, *Putting the quality into qualitative research*, highlights the common National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) panel feedback issues around qualitative research. It shows you

*research* is the first of the Healthcare Improvement Studies (THIS) Institute's new series of learning reports.

[Read the report](#)

how to navigate them, while making the most of the variety and vast number of methods qualitative research has to offer.

[Read the blog](#)

## Research dissemination

The Health and Care Research Wales conference takes place on 25 October 2018 in Cardiff. The call for abstracts for presentations and posters is now open.

[Submit by 28 August](#)

## Care homes research

*Enhancing safety, quality and experience of residents in care homes* is a free one-day workshop, taking place in Belfast, Northern Ireland on 26 September 2018.

[Register now](#)

## Share your views

NHS England has launched a consultation document on the design principles of a programme to reduce the delivery of clinically ineffective interventions. The proposals aim to reduce avoidable harm to patients, save professional time, help clinicians maintain their professional practice in line with the changing evidence base, create headroom for innovation, and maximise value and avoid waste.

[Respond now](#)

## Disseminating evidence

The NIHR Dissemination Centre (DC) produces Signals, which are timely summaries of important research. They are accompanied by comments and quotes from health care professionals and patients who have knowledge and expertise in the areas that are covered. The NIHR DC are looking for nurses who are interested in providing commentaries for specific interest areas.

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