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## RCN Foundation funding

The professional bursary scheme supports individuals in learning and development activities such as post-graduate university study or professional short courses. Learning from these activities should enhance patient care, patient experience and development in nursing practice.

Apply by 19 October



## Counting the cost of caring

Group Captain Di Lamb will deliver the 2018 RCN Research Society Winifred Raphael memorial lecture on 14 November 2018 in Manchester. Di will outline a novel approach to improving psychological resilience in the defence medical services.

## Suicide prevention

The eastern Academic Health Science Network (AHSN) is hosting an innovation exchange looking at ways in which they can use innovative solutions to address some of the challenges associated with suicide prevention. Apply by 21 September 2018.

[Register](#)

[Find out more](#)

## Research training

Nurses and midwives working in Kent, Surrey and Sussex can apply for a research internship. The integrated clinical academic programme is intended to prepare applicants to apply for a National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) pre-doctoral clinical academic fellowship.

[Apply by 28 August](#)

## Research funding

Tenovus Scotland exists to foster high quality research within the health care professions in Scotland. The small pilot grants support pump-priming research studies of up to 18 months' duration. The next closing date of 15 September 2018 applies to researchers working in the Strathclyde region.

[Find out more](#)

## Practice development

The Foundation of Nursing Studies (FoNS) supports nurse-led teams across the UK to help improve patient care through a range of practice development programmes.

Examples of current and completed projects include:

- [improving the patient experience of ambulatory care in the surgical assessment unit](#)
- [the school nurse rucksack](#)
- [recovery and wellness post intensive care unit: using patient diaries](#)
- [yoga for people living with dementia in residential care settings](#)
- [developing a recovery based quality of life service for people with severe and enduring eating disorders.](#)

Alternatively, search the [FoNS library](#) to view over 150 project reports.

## Increasing impact

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## Research training

Applications are invited for the Health Education England (HEE) north west/ NIHR integrated clinical academic bridging scheme. Nurses and midwives who have or are about to complete a masters level degree or a PhD are eligible to apply for a six month pre-doctoral, or a 12 month post-doctoral programme. Apply by 17 September 2018.

[Find out more](#)

## Electronic health record

The Professional Record Standards Body (PRSB) has published a revised set of standards for the structure and content of health and care records, which will support digital information sharing among all professionals and help people access better, safer care.

[View the standards](#)

## Patient experience

This updated Cochrane systematic review, *Nurses as substitutes for doctors in primary care*, concludes that the delivery of primary health care services by nurses instead of doctors probably leads to similar or better patient health and higher patient satisfaction.

[Read the review](#)

## Research findings

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

- [carers of stroke survivors voice an unmet need for practical and emotional support](#)
- [giving obese pregnant women metformin had no effect on baby's weight at birth](#)
- [additional therapy helps social recovery from first episode psychosis](#)
- [case managers improve outcomes for people with dementia and their carers](#)
- [asthma self-management programmes can reduce unscheduled care.](#)

Visit the [NIHR DC website](#) to read more signals, highlights and themed reviews.

## Research training

The Health Education Kent Surrey Sussex (HEEKSS)/National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Integrated Clinical Academic Programme (ICAP) bridging scheme is open for applications. It supports clinical academics to develop proposals for a pre or post-doctoral award. Apply by 4 September 2018.

[Apply now](#)

## Research funding

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Collaboration for Leadership in Applied Health Research and Care (CLAHRC) East of England is hosting a roadshow to promote the establishment of the NIHR Academy which is launching in October 2018. It takes place on 20 September 2018 in Cambridge.

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