Represent your speciality

Applications are now open for a number of vacancies on 34 RCN Forum Steering Committees.

Apply by 26 July

Research bulletin

Please note the next RCN research and innovation bulletin will be sent out on Tuesday 6 August. Previous issues are available on our website.

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Physical activity

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Dissemination Centre has issued a themed review of research into physical activity.

Read the review

RCN research conference

The RCN 2019 annual international nursing research conference takes place 3-5 September in Sheffield. A packed programme includes keynotes from Hugh McKenna, Angela Tod and Linda Aiken.

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Older people research

Research project grants from Dunhill Medical Trust fund research relating to improving the effectiveness and efficiency of health services and social care delivery for older people.

Apply by 31 August

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.

- Ways of integrating care that better coordinate services may benefit patients.
- People with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) exacerbations prefer early discharge then treatment at home.
- Home-based cardiac rehabilitation for heart failure has high rates of participation.
- Training for clinical competence and resilience reduced job strain among intensive care nurses in France.
- Delaying pushing in labour has no benefit for women with an epidural and/or spinal anaesthetic for pain relief.

Visit the NIHR DC website to read more signals, highlights and themed reviews.

Further examples

Women's health

Wellbeing of Women is inviting applications for its research scholarships and fellowships. Nurses and midwives are encouraged to apply. The deadline is 19 September.

Find out more

Safer staffing

NHS Improvement has collated a suite of resources offering shared learning from trusts and evidence-based improvement tools, designed to help you make safer staffing decisions.

View the resources

Clinical audit

The Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) has produced an impact report of their national clinical audit programme. Covering the period June 2017 to February 2019, it sums up some of the key impacts from their projects.

Download the report

Stroke research

The Stroke Association is inviting applications for its UK lectureship awards. The awards are available to researchers across Northern Ireland, Scotland, Wales and England, and nurses are encouraged to apply. The deadline is 24 October.

Find out more

Priority setting partnerships

The James Lind Alliance (JLA) brings patients, carers and clinicians together in Priority Setting Partnerships (PSPs) to identify and prioritise the Top 10 unanswered questions or evidence uncertainties that they agree are the most important. The aim of this is to make sure that health research funders are aware of the issues that matter most to the people who need to use the research in their everyday lives. PSPs that are currently seeking your input include.

- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) flare-ups.

- Degenerative cervical myelopathy.

- Detecting cancer early.

- Diabetes and pregnancy.

- Foot health.

Current surveys

Research seminar

Angela Thompson is the confirmed presenter at the next Cambridge Nurses in Research (CNiR) seminar, taking place on 17 July in Cambridge. Angela will talk about the role of NHS Improvement and evidence based practice.

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Learning disability nursing

The Foundation of Nursing Studies has published a new report, Celebrate me: capturing the voices of learning disability nurses and people who use services. An easy read summary has been produced alongside the main report.

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