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## Make a difference

Applications are now open to join a number of RCN forum steering committees. It's an opportunity to influence both the RCN and the nursing profession more broadly when it comes to the things that matter in your specialism.

[Apply by 14 August](#)



## Research impact

The Chief Nursing Officer for England is recruiting for a part-time Head of Nursing Research (academic leadership and strategy) post.

[Apply by 6 July](#)

## RCN support

Find information and resources to support your understanding and management of COVID-19. This includes employment advice and clinical guidance.

[View the resources](#)

## RCN news

Nominations are now open for the election of the RCN President and Deputy President, with terms of office from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2022. Nominations close on 20 July.

[Find out more](#)

## Research training

The Northern Ireland Health and Social Care (HSC) research and development doctoral fellowship scheme is now open. Nurses are eligible to apply. The deadline is 16 October.

[Read more](#)

## NIHR research funding opportunities

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) funds research through its nine programmes, which include Health Technology Assessment (HTA) and Health Services and Delivery Research (HSDR).

- [COVID-19: recovery and learning](#), closes 14 July.
- [Programme grants for applied research \(competition 33\)](#), closes 29 July.
- [Qualitative research on women's experiences of urogynaecological health services](#), closes 1 September.
- [Researcher-led workstream \(HSDR\)](#), closes 10 September.
- [Evidence synthesis programme grant scheme](#), closes 12 October.

Alternatively, visit the NIHR web page for a complete list of current NIHR funding opportunities.

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Health Education England (HEE) East of England is funding two shortened pre-doctoral bridging awards for aspiring clinical academics based in the region.

[Apply by 3 August](#)

The Health Foundation has produced a tool to allow health and care organisations to measure and benchmark their current capability in using data analytics.

[Find out more](#)

## Research funding opportunities

The following research funding opportunities are relevant for nurse or midwife researchers. Closing dates for August 2020 include the following grants.

- [Grants](#), British Scoliosis Research Foundation, closes 1 August.
- [Doctoral fellowship \(round 4\)](#), NIHR, closes 13 August.
- [Joint doctoral fellowship](#), NIHR/Wellbeing of Women, closes 13 August.
- [PhD studentship](#), Diabetes UK, closes 31 August.

You can see more opportunities like these, including fellowships and help to attend conferences, on our research funding web page.

[Find funding](#)

### Sharing knowledge

Contact, Help, Advice and Information Network (CHAIN) is an online mutual support network for people working in health and social care. It gives people a simple and informal way of contacting each other to exchange ideas and share knowledge.

### Social care research

Health and Care Research Wales and Social Care Wales want to identify research priorities for the social care and support of people aged 65 and over. Please take part in the survey, which will take about 10 minutes to complete, and is open until 6 July.

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