



The voice of nursing in the UK

## RCN Forums

Forums make a significant contribution to the nursing voice and professional offer of the RCN. This report provides an overview of the range and some of the development work that forums have been engaged with during 2019.

[Read the review](#)



## Research impact

Entries are invited for the 2020 Health and Care Research Wales (HCRW) public involvement achievement award. The deadline to apply is 14 August.

[Find out more](#)

## COVID-19: 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](#)

## Evaluation skills

The RCN library and archive team are running an online event, Evaluating health care information, on 16 July. This introductory level session is suitable for health care assistants, nursing support workers, students and all members of the nursing family.

[Register](#)

## Evidence-based resource

Supporting someone with breathlessness is a learning resource that has been developed with advice from a range of experts including health care professionals, researchers, people who have cared for someone with breathlessness, and patients themselves.

[Access the resource](#)

## Shared learning case studies

The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) encourages people to share examples of how they have used NICE guidance and standards to improve local health and social care services. Recent examples include.

- [Developing a 3Ds \(dementia, delirium and depression\) clinical framework in a community integrated team.](#)
- [Improving treatment and sepsis management in paediatric oncology patients in Wales.](#)
- [Autism and environmental adaptations within inpatient mental health units.](#)
- [Using NICE guidance to inform an audit of mental capacity act assessment.](#)

Visit the NICE website for information on how to submit an example, or find a case study from over 750 that have been submitted.

[NICE case studies](#)

## Research funding

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) now has a searchable database of NIHR supported activity in health and care research, including expenditure and research findings. The data includes details of people, organisations, outputs, outcomes and impacts.

[Search the database](#)

## Research impact

Leading researchers funded by the NIHR, and who are employed by an NHS trust, university or charity based in England, are encouraged to apply to the NIHR senior investigators competition. Applications are invited from all relevant fields, including nursing and midwifery.

[Apply by 26 August](#)

## Celebrating nursing

The finalists have been announced for the RCNi Nurse Awards 2020. These finalists showcase the professionalism, clinical expertise and compassionate care delivered by the nursing team to patients UK-wide.

[Discover more](#)

## PhD studentship

The NIHR Applied Research Collaboration (ARC) East of England invites applications for a fully funded PhD studentship around the theme of inclusive involvement in research for practice led health and social care.

[Apply by 17 July](#)

## Identifying research priorities

The James Lind Alliance (JLA) brings patients, carers and clinicians together in Priority Setting Partnerships (PSPs) to identify and prioritise the top 10 uncertainties, or unanswered questions, about the effects of treatments. The aim of this is to make sure

that health research funders are aware of the issues that matter most to patients and clinicians. Recent areas in which research priorities have been identified include.

- [Advanced heart failure.](#)
- [Degenerative cervical myelopathy.](#)
- [Health care associated infections.](#)
- [Mitochondrial disease.](#)
- [Revision knee replacement.](#)

Alternatively, visit the James Lind Alliance website for a complete list of priority setting partnerships.

[Research priorities](#)

## Mental health research

A new national research network has launched to improve mental health care. The Mental Health Priority Network, funded by the NIHR, aims to drive national collaborations and changes in mental health practice.

[Discover more](#)

## PhD studentship

The British Geriatrics Society and Dunhill Medical Trust are funding a clinical research fellowship to support front-line health professionals to undertake research relevant to age-related diseases and frailty.

[Apply by 31 July](#)

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