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Thinking ahead: new futures for mental health nursing

Abstracts are invited for the RCN mental health nursing research conference, which takes place 9-10 June 2021 in London.

[Submit by 3 January](#)



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 a staff link.

Research training

Research Capacity Building Collaboration (RCBC) Wales has announced funding for postdoctoral fellowships in nursing, midwifery, pharmacy and the allied health professions to commence in April 2021. Eligibility check forms should be completed by 13 November.

[View the networks](#)

[Find out more](#)

Cancer research

The cancer nurse and allied health professionals research network (Wales) is hosting an online conference on 19 November. The keynote speaker is Professor Mary Wells, who will discuss how to build research capacity.

[Register](#)

PhD studentship

The University of Worcester invites applications for a fully funded full-time PhD studentship exploring a novel regional approach to establishing community meeting centres for people and families affected by dementia.

[Apply by 9 November](#)

NIHR research funding opportunities

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

- [Researcher-led \(primary research\)](#), HTA, closes 6 January.
- [Unlocking data to inform public health policy and practice](#), closes 7 January.
- [Advanced fellowship \(round five\)](#), closes 14 January.
- [Self-neglect in the community](#), closes 28 January.
- [Evidence synthesis - researcher-led \(HSDR\)](#), closes 4 February.

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

[Search for funding](#)

Research support

The NIHR Research Design Service (RDS) provides support to health and social care researchers across England on all aspects of developing and writing a grant application, including research design, research methods, identifying funding sources and involving patients and the public.





[Find out more](#)


Improve NHS decision making

The NIHR Centre for Engagement and Dissemination is looking for health and social care professionals to provide reviews on recently published, NIHR-funded research. Your views will help determine the importance of the research findings and guide what evidence should be disseminated.

[Become a reviewer](#)

Winifred Raphael Memorial Lecture

Date: 12 November 2020	
Time: 6.30pm - 8.00pm	
Location: Webinar through MS Teams	
Information: See the website	



The RCN Research Society is delighted to announce that this year's Winifred Raphael Memorial Lecture will take place virtually on Thursday 12 November.

Aimed at the general public as well as nursing professionals, this free evening lecture will raise awareness of inequalities and explore the increased risks of COVID-19 on the black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) population.

[Book now](#)

Research on ethnicity

The Health Foundation has produced a report identifying five key questions to help readers evaluate studies on ethnicity and COVID-19 risk and outcomes.

[Read the report](#)

Children's cancer

The children's cancer priority setting partnership is looking for questions to help guide research about children's cancer. The survey is now open.

[Complete the survey](#)

Research funding opportunities

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

- [Project grants](#), Diabetes UK, closes 1 December.
- [Travel grant](#), Society for Endocrinology, closes 2 December.
- [PhD studentship and small grants](#), The Psoriasis Association, closes 4 December.
- [Research fellowship in clinical diabetes](#), The Novo Nordisk UK Research Foundation, closes 10 December.

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

[Find funding](#)

Research professorships

The NIHR research professorship scheme aims to fund future research leaders to promote effective translation of research and strengthen research leadership at the highest academic levels. The scheme is open to all professional backgrounds, including nursing and midwifery.

[Apply by 26 November](#)

Service user involvement

In this blog, Agnes Agyepong, parent engagement programme manager and chair of the Maternity Voices Partnership (MVP) at Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust, discusses why black women are not engaging in research and what can be done to change this.

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