

RCN Retired members payment plan

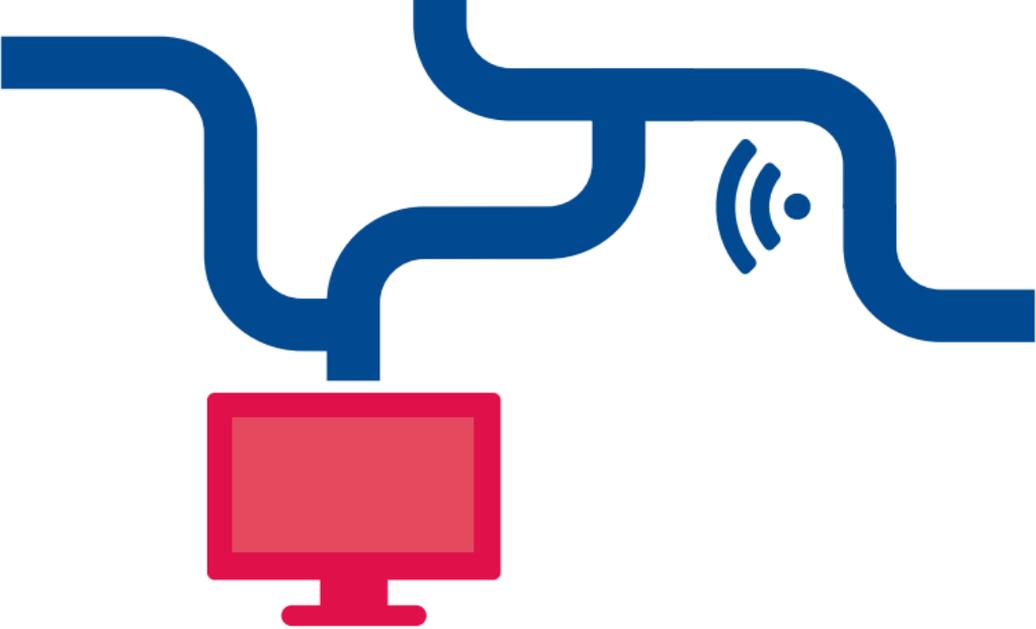
If you are a current member of the RCN, or have been a member for at least a year but have let your membership lapse, you are entitled to discounted membership when you retire. For just £10 per year (or 84p per month), you can continue to enjoy a wide range of benefits and services and stay connected with the RCN, your fellow members and your profession. As a retired member you would not be able to access the RCN's employment services.

By remaining part of the UK's largest nursing union and membership organisation, you are showing your ongoing support for the RCN, its members, and the nursing profession.



Eligibility

Retired membership is available to nurse members who have previously been in RCN membership for at least one year, and who have now retired from employment and are in receipt of a pension, or who are unable to work through ill health and are in receipt of relevant ill health benefits. Retired members may of course choose to retain their full membership by paying the full subscription rate, or to transfer back to full membership if they take up employment again.



Stay connected

- keep informed about issues and developments relevant to you through our regular newsletters
- represent the pensioners' voice and influence the RCN's strategic work
- help the RCN to harness the talents of our retired members and campaign on issues to support your rights.

A campaigning voice – make your voice heard

As a retired member there are a small number of RCN offices that you are unable to stand for. However, retired members retain RCN voting rights, so you can still choose your representatives and make your views heard on policy and how the RCN is run. With the expertise of our retired members on board, the RCN is stronger, and your voice will help to influence RCN campaigning and lobbying activities.

Recoup your membership fee



You can receive fantastic offers from the UK's top retailers including Marks and Spencer, John Lewis and Debenhams.

Take advantage of great deals on everything from your groceries and TV package to furniture, cinema tickets and mobile phones. Register with RCNXtra at www.rcn.org.uk/xtra and save money throughout the year.

Make even more of your membership

The National Pensioners Convention (NPC)

The RCN is affiliated to the National Pensioners Convention (NPC), which campaigns for the rights of retired people, and represents the interests of pensioners across a range of political, social and health issues. The RCN has four votes at the NPC's National Council, four votes at the Biennial Delegate Conference, a seat on the Executive Committee, and access to the annual Pensioners Parliament. As a member of the RCN National Pensioners Convention Network, you will have the chance to elect the RCN representatives and to share in their work. Membership of this group is available to those who are over 50 and in receipt of a pension.

 To join the Network contact: RCN Direct 0345 772 6100 or visit www.rcn.org.uk/myrcn

Will writing service

RCN Law offer a will writing service at a discounted rate for you and your friends and family. A team of experts will provide legal advice and tailor the will to your requirements. For more information email:

 wills@rcnlaw.co.uk

Networking opportunities – stay connected

In addition to the RCN National Pensioners Convention network there may also be a network for retired members within your RCN region or country. Join your local RCN branch and any of the RCN's 36 forum communities covering a variety of specialisms. All are included in your £10 suscription.

This is your opportunity to exchange views on a range of subjects, share your experience and knowledge, and stay in touch with the RCN and its members.

Find out more at:

www.rcn.org.uk/npcnetwork



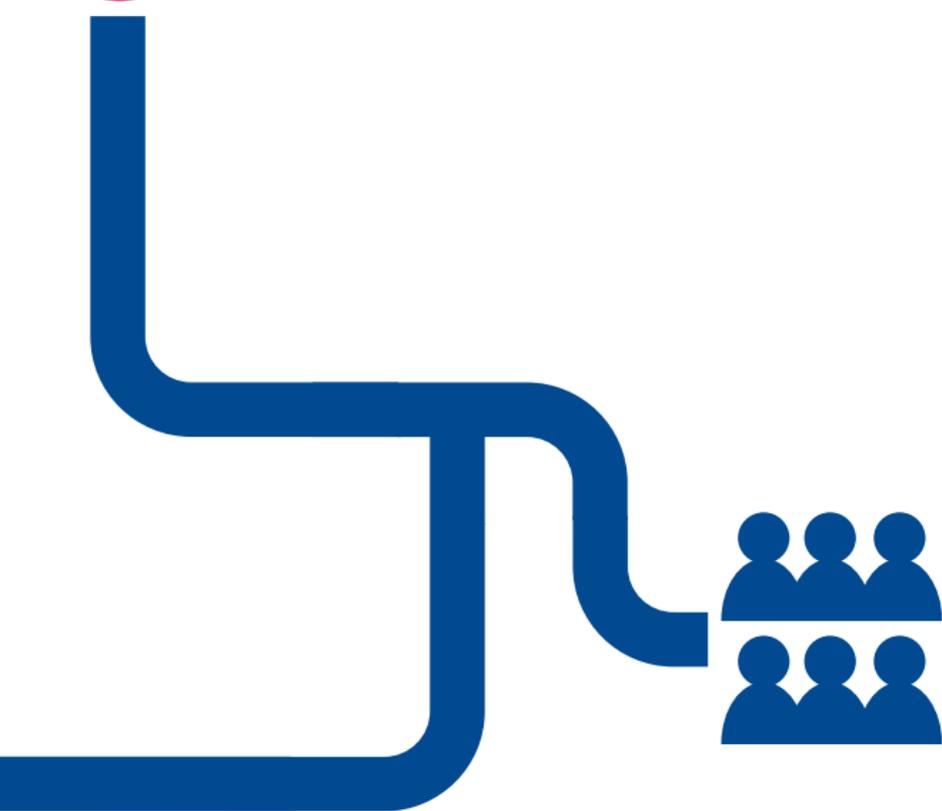
Next steps

If you would like to transfer to retired membership, or to join the RCN NPC Network, or just find out more about staying connected, telephone:

RCN Direct on **0345 772 6100** and choose “option one – membership”.



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