



## The FoNS Weekly News

### Time to invest in yourself: The Richard Tompkins Scholarship

*For nurses, midwives and health visitors*

<https://www.fons.org/programmes-development-opportunities/scholarships/>



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### Deadlines!

***The Richard Tompkins Nurse Development Scholarship***

***The FoNS Social Care Scholarship***

Two fantastic opportunities! Application deadline **14 February 2025**. Both offer a fully paid place at the FoNS Residential Programme and a year's follow on mentorship. We'll support you to become the nurse you want to be, and share and publish your work, if that's what you want.

The [Richard Tompkins Nurse Development Scholarship](#) is open to any registered nurse or midwife in the UK.

The [FoNS Social Care Scholarship](#) is open to any nurse who has completed the NHS England supported RBCS Programme.

The FoNS Residential Programme **28 April – 2 May 2025**

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## RBCS: A Public Programme Open to All

An online programme of Resilience-based Clinical Supervision, open to all. This participatory online programme will support individuals to deliver Resilience-based Clinical Supervision (RBCS) in their own workplace. RBCS is a tried and tested form of restorative clinical supervision, evidence-based and enjoyed by nurses and AHPs across the country and beyond.

Maximum group size is 6 people. [Book here](#).

- Session 1: 21 February - 9.30-12.30
- Session 2: 28 February - 9.30-12.30
- Session 3: 14 March - 9.30-11.30
- Session 4: 21 March - 9.30-11.30
- Session 5: 4 April - 9.30-12.30

£475 per person

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## How can we be person-centred and planet conscious?

FoNS is partnering with the Centre for Sustainable Healthcare and FoNS Trustee Dr Marion Lynch tells us why:

*The surrounding environment has always been part of our nursing responsibility. These days our environmental responsibility is bigger than what we can touch, hear and see. We know the climate crisis science and we know the impact of our own actions in healthcare. We don't always know what to do to help and that is why we are here, and also how the arts can help. The art of nursing includes how we creatively act to help the planet.*

The Green Nursing Challenge 2025 is a competition designed to promote sustainable practices in nursing to meet the NHS Net Zero targets. The Centre for Sustainable Healthcare will select six teams to take part in the challenge. If you would like to be considered, please visit [the Centre for Sustainable Healthcare website](#) for more information. Application phase closes 21 March 2025.

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# RCN International Nursing Research Conference 2025

## Call for abstracts

Submissions are invited for the following categories of conference presentation:

1. Oral concurrent paper
2. Flash talks
3. Poster presentation
4. Visual Presentation with Expert Review
5. Symposium

Deadline 16 March 2025

## [RCN Call for Abstracts](#)

Event date 8 Sep 2025 - 10 Sep 2025, Exeter

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## Other news

### ***Free online book launch: Nursing, Covid and the End of Resilience***

by Michael Traynor

**12 March 2025, 1600 UK time**

*COVID has made a number of re-examinations urgent, from the political management of the pandemic and the supply of PPE, to the character of trauma, moral distress and meaning-making in adversity.*

[Link for registration](#)

### ***Nursing Times Awards***

Twenty-five categories to apply for. Closes 9 May, event date 22 October 2025.

[Information and how to apply](#)

### ***Friendly Feb Action for Happiness Calendar***

Today is 'make time to have a conversation with a neighbour', find out about the rest of the month!

[Friendly February Calendar](#)

### ***NHS priorities for 2025/26: our expert insights***

King's Fund experts explore the government's priorities.

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