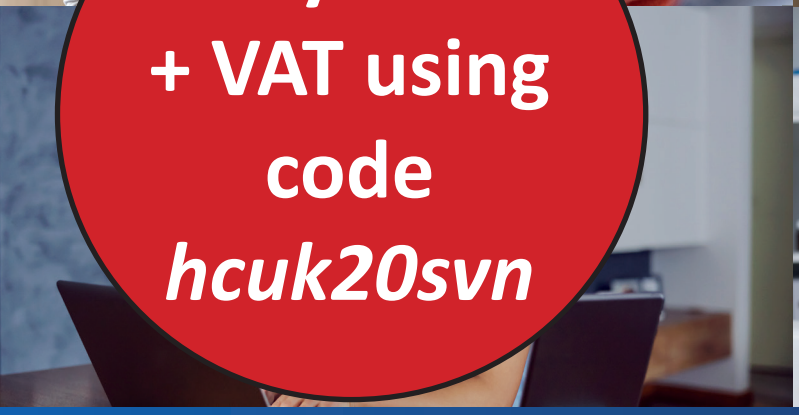
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We are pleased to announce the 18th Annual Nurse Clinics Conference. Chaired by Dr Richard Hatchett, Author, Nurse Led Clinics: Practice Issues and Senior Editor, RCNi, Nurse Clinics 2026 will provide specialist nurses, advanced practitioners, nurse consultants and service leads with a valuable opportunity to hear national updates and best practice for working at advanced practice level, and setting up, running and developing nurse-led clinics and services across primary, secondary and community care.

The publication of the NMC Principles for Advanced Practice has brought renewed focus to role clarity, professional accountability, autonomous decision-making, governance, employer responsibilities, education, supervision and continuing professional development. These developments are particularly important for nurses working in autonomous roles, including those assessing, diagnosing, prescribing, managing risk and leading nurse-led services.

"Our principles for advanced practice aim to bring clarity and consistency to advanced nursing and midwifery practice across the UK."
Nursing and Midwifery Council, 2025

The conference takes place at a time of significant national development for nurse-led services. The Fit for the Future: 10 Year Health Plan for England sets out the three major shifts for the NHS — from hospital to community, analogue to digital, and sickness to prevention — and highlights the role of nurses, advanced practitioners and nurse consultants in delivering new models of care. Developments in neighbourhood health, Hospital at Home, virtual wards, remote monitoring and NHS Online also provide opportunities for nurse-led services to improve access, continuity, outcomes and care closer to home.

"In the past few decades, the range of clinical tasks done by nurses has increased to include prescribing, some diagnosis and assessment, management of complex wounds and administration of intravenous therapies. Beyond that, nursing has evolved into a more autonomous role. Advanced nursing and midwifery practitioners provide clinical leadership across the multi-disciplinary team, making independent and complex decisions. Building on these foundations, we will develop advanced practice models for nurses, midwives, and allied health professionals (AHPs) that are aligned to the delivery of our 3 shifts, reflecting their essential leadership roles in a range of settings, including community and public health services."
Fit for the Future: 10 Year Health Plan for England, 2025

"Nurse consultants and consultant midwives will play a vital role in the Neighbourhood Health Service, providing advanced clinical care and system leadership, driving improvements in care quality, and advancing professional practice."
Fit for the Future: 10 Year Health Plan for England, 2025

With sessions designed for those who are looking to improve the effectiveness or expand existing nurse-led clinics and services, or for beginners looking to set up their first clinic, this event is essential for all nurses offering, leading or developing nurse-led clinics and services.

In addition to the main stream focusing on developing nurse-led services that improve patient outcomes, the conference will include practical case studies and a choice of interactive expertly facilitated workshops and extended sessions focusing on:

- leading nurse-led services in the context of the NHS 10 Year Health Plan
- understanding and applying the NMC Principles for Advanced Practice
- setting up and running a nurse-led clinic in practice
- demonstrating impact through audit, patient experience and service evaluation
- developing skills in clinical assessment, history taking, investigations and diagnosis
- developing safe, high quality advanced clinical practice
- governance and assurance of advanced practice and non-medical roles
- prescribing and clinical pharmacology within scope of practice
- neighbourhood health, Hospital at Home and care closer to home
- redesigning respiratory follow-up, review and virtual ward care
- developing your leadership skills
- sustaining yourself and your service through psychological safety and work-life balance
- legal and risk management issues in nurse clinics and autonomous practice

This conference will enable you to:

- network with colleagues who are working to deliver and improve nurse-led clinics and services
- learn from outstanding practice in setting up and running nurse-led clinics
- reflect on national developments in advanced nursing practice
- understand the implications of the NMC Principles for Advanced Practice
- develop your leadership skills
- understand how you can improve your service through audit, evaluation and patient experience feedback
- identify key strategies for improving outcomes, access, safety and continuity of care
- learn from practical case studies in evolving and expanding practice to improve patient care and meet demand
- understand the role of nurse-led services in neighbourhood health, Hospital at Home and care closer to home
- consider how virtual wards, remote monitoring and digitally enabled care can support nurse-led review and follow-up
- ensure competence in clinical assessment, history taking, investigations and diagnosis
- understand prescribing, pharmacology, comorbidity, drug interactions and red flags within scope of practice
- understand legal issues and developments in autonomous practice
- develop a strategy to ensure your clinic is sustainable, even if you are not there
- self-assess and reflect on your own practice
- support CPD, professional development and revalidation evidence. This course provides 5 hours training for CPD, subject to peer group approval for revalidation purposes.

10.00 Chair's Welcome and Introduction

Dr Richard Hatchett *Author 'Nurse Led Clinics: Practice Issues' & Senior Editor* RCNi

10.15 The New NMC Advanced Practice Principles

Paula McLaren
Senior Nursing Adviser for Advanced Practice Professional Practice
The Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC)

- the new NMC Principles of Advanced Practice
- understanding the NMC Principles for Advanced Practice and what they mean for nurses, employers and patients
- distinguishing experienced practice from advanced practice
- autonomous complex decision-making, risk, uncertainty and accountability
- the four pillars of advanced practice: clinical practice, education, research and leadership
- employer responsibilities: governance, education, CPD, supervision and workforce planning
- preparing for the development of NMC standards of proficiency and programme standards from Spring 2027
- supporting transition arrangements for nurses already practising at advanced level
- learning from early adopters

11.00 Leading Nurse Led Services and Clinics

Sally Bassett
Chair
RCN Nursing Management and Leadership Forum
Lecturer in Leadership
Oxford Brookes University

- the importance of nurse led clinics and services
- embedding advanced nursing practice
- developing your leadership skills

11.30 Comfort Break and Virtual Networking

11.50 Conference splits in to a choice of streams

STREAM A	WORKSHOP 1
Developing Nurse Led Services that improve Patient Outcomes	**Developing New Nurse Led Services to Improve Patient Outcomes**

13.00 Lunch Break

14.00 Conference splits in to a choice of streams

STREAM A CONT.	WORKSHOP 2
Governance and Assurance of Advanced Practice	**Practicalities of running Nurse Led Clinics: Case Studies**

15.40 Comfort Break and Virtual Networking

16.00 EXTENDED SESSION: Sustaining Yourself and Your Service: Leadership, Psychological Safety and Work-Life Balance

Ali Richards
Lecturer Nursing Associate Institute of Health
University of Cumbria

- developing your leadership skills: practical advice
- stresses and challenges in leading services
- developing peer and team support networks; ensuring your clinic or service is sustainable even if you are not there
- improving self-care, psychological safety and work life balance

This session includes interactive breakout out exercises

16.45 Nurse Clinics & Autonomous Practice: Legal and Risk Management Update

Mike O'Connell
Legal Services Practitioner and Interim Senior Inquests Manager
Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust

An opportunity for delegates to seek information and advice on legal and risk management issues around running clinics and advanced nursing practice

- risk management and legal issues to be aware of when running nurse led clinics
- legal implications of extending roles and autonomous practice
- risk management and professional standards: essential tips

17.15 Close

11.50 Stream A: Developing Nurse Led Services that improve Patient Outcomes

Chair

Dr Richard Hatchett *Author 'Nurse Led Clinic: Practice Issues' & Senior Editor, RCNi*

11.50 Developing Nurse Led Services that Improve Patient Outcomes: Demonstrating Impact, Audit and Service Evaluation

Dr Qun Wang
Trust Lead for Non-Medical Prescribing/Nurse Consultant Geriatrics
Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust

- developing a nurse-led service to meet patient need, improve access and reduce delays
- designing clear referral criteria, investigation pathways, results review and escalation processes
- demonstrating the impact of your nurse-led service through audit, outcomes and patient feedback
- measuring what matters: waiting times, safety, patient experience, avoided admissions, productivity and clinical outcomes
- using audit and service evaluation to identify variation, improve quality and support redesign
- building clinical credibility and multidisciplinary support for a nurse-led model
- lessons learned from establishing and sustaining a nurse-led service in practice

12.20 EXTENDED SESSION: Developing your skills in Clinical Assessment, History Taking, Investigations and Diagnosis

Rachael Hall
NMP lead and Cardiology ACP
Medway NHS Foundation Trust

- developing your skills in clinical assessment, history taking, investigation and diagnosis
- ensuring your practice is evidence based: guidelines and evidence
- ensuring you have the history-taking, clinical assessment and diagnosis skills to prescribe appropriately and effectively
- my experience of nurse led clinics: tips for success

12.50 Discussion, Questions and Answers

13.00 Lunch Break

11.50 Workshop 1: Developing New Nurse Led Services to Improve Patient Outcomes

Chair

Sally Bassett *Chair* RCN Nursing, *Management and Leadership Forum, Lecturer in Leadership*, Oxford Brookes University

11.50 EXTENDED SESSION: Setting Up and Running a Nurse Led Clinic
A step by step introduction to setting up and running a successful nurse clinic in practice

Sarah Young
Nurse Consultant Cardiology
University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust

- setting up and running a nurse clinic in practice: essential considerations
- building the case for nurse-led clinics using waiting times, productivity, patient outcomes and experience data
- ensuring you have the competencies and skills required to run your clinic autonomously
- establishing the clinic and preparing for demand
- service, referral and promotion criteria
- ensuring your clinic is robust and engaging patients from the start
- ensuring a solid basis from which to deliver an expanding service that is evidence based

12.50 Discussion, Questions and Answers

13.00 Lunch Break

14.00 Stream A continued: Governance and Assurance of Advanced Practice

Chair

Dr Richard Hatchett *Author 'Nurse Led Clinic: Practice Issues' & Senior Editor, RCNi*

14.00 Ensuring Safe Effective Advanced Practice Implementing robust governance of advancing practice and 'non-medical' roles

Lee Patient
Trust Lead and Joint Group Lead for Advancing Practice
St George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
Consultant Nurse Emergency Department
Royal College of Emergency Medicine Credentialled ACP
Member of National Advanced Practice Network

- organisational and individual governance of advanced practice
- developing competency and scope of practice
- effective supervision
- portfolio development - maintaining knowledge and skills to keep up-to-date
- developing expert clinical reasoning and decision-making skills
- assessment, requesting investigations, and interpreting the results
- identifying key strategies for driving forward advanced nursing practice

14.45 EXTENDED SESSION: Clinical Pharmacology for Nurse Prescribers Managing Co-morbidity and drug interactions within your scope of practice

Dr Andrea Hilton
Reader, Director of Research - School of Health Care
University of Hull

- understanding drug interactions and managing comorbidity
- mechanisms of drug interactions and common issues
- potential implications of alterative medicines
- ensuring your practice is evidence based: guidelines and evidence
- keeping your prescribing knowledge up to date: accessing education, training and resources
- assessing and evaluating prescribing competence
- ensuring you prescribe within your scope of practice and identifying red flags
- case study presentations

15.30 Discussion, Questions and Answers
15.40 Comfort Break and Join Main Session

14.00 Workshop 2: Practicalities of running Nurse Led Clinics: Case Studies

Chair

Sally Bassett *Chair* RCN Nursing, *Management and Leadership Forum, Lecturer in Leadership*, Oxford Brookes University

14.00 Nurse Led Clinics: Case Studies in Care Closer to Home

Paula Berridge
Nurse Consultant Community Virtual Ward
The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust

- the role of nurse-led and advanced practice services in delivering care closer to home
- developing Hospital at Home, urgent community response and frailty pathways across community, primary care and acute services
- supporting prevention, early intervention and long-term condition management for people living with frailty
- working across primary, community, acute, social care and voluntary sector partners
- improving access for patients who struggle to attend hospital-based appointments
- reducing avoidable hospital attendances and supporting safe self-management at home
- using patient experience, outcomes and service data to demonstrate impact
- practical case study examples: what worked, what was difficult, and lessons for nurse-led services

14.45 Identifying Patients and Pathways Suitable For Nurse-Led Review, Follow-up and Remote Monitoring

Angel Philip
Colorectal Cancer Specialist Nurse
Cardiff and Vale University Health Board

- nurse led follow up of colorectal cancer
- improving practice in the detection of recurrance
- using virtual ward models, remote monitoring and patient-reported symptoms

15.30 Discussion, Questions and Answers
15.40 Comfort Break and Join Main Session

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