



The Loop

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News

Marie Curie invests £0.75M in future of palliative - Grant scheme— £0.75million for research

To find out more and to apply please visit <https://www.mariecurie.org.uk/research/information-researchers/marie-curie-research-grants-scheme>

****Deadline for submissions is 15th November****

Information from Kings Fund about Integrated Care Systems and the proposed Health and Care Bill: Read about it [here](#)

Blackpool Victoria Hospital nurse wins Best Nurse at The Sun's Who Cares Wins Awards

<https://www.news.co.uk/2021/09/the-suns-who-cares-wins-2021-health-awards-winners-revealed/>

Jackie Brunton, lead nurse for end of life and bereavement care at Blackpool Victoria Hospital was awarded Nurse of the Year at the event celebrating the nation's health heroes, for bringing loved ones together during the final moments of their lives throughout the pandemic. Jackie was named Best Nurse for her work with families at the height of the pandemic.

Education

Cheshire and Merseyside Health and Care Partnership People Summit Bitesize Series

The series aims to continue to provide a platform for colleagues across the system of health and social care to connect and share learning on workforce successes, challenges and opportunities. [People Summit](#)

- 9th November 11.15-12.00 [Student Placements: Models of Practice, Supervision and Assessment](#)
- 17th November 14.00-15.00 [Delivering the Pharmacy Workforce of the Future](#)
- 23rd November 10.00-10.45 [Allied Health Professions Clinical Placement Expansion Programme \(CPEP\)](#)
- 30th November 11.00-12.00 [C&M Placement Strategy Development: Pre Registration Health Care Students](#)
- 7th December 11.00-11.45 [Developing the Workforce for End of Life Care: Advanced Care Planning](#)

Further sessions in the Bitesize series will appear [here](#).

Aspiring Leaders in Palliative Care Programme -

New interactive online course from the End of Life Partnership based on the award winning "Hospice Leadership Programme" - starts in January 2022. Cost - £800. For more information about the programme and the benefits it will bring you and your organisation please contact Mary Buttle, on 01270 310260 or email info@eolp.org.uk

Association of Paediatric Palliative Medicine Webinars in November

During November 2021, the Association for Paediatric Palliative Care is holding a series of virtual palliative care education sessions. Booking details can be found [here](#).

Advanced Communication Skills Training – Queenscourt Hospice

Two 2-day courses offered via Zoom on:

- 31 January - 1 February 2022
- 7 - 8 March 2022

Delegates must attend both days. Details and booking via website: [Advanced Communication Skills \(queenscourt.org.uk\)](http://queenscourt.org.uk)

Fellowship in Palliative Care Announces 2022 programme:

This six-month course is aimed at people working/ interested in the field of palliative care. Clinical staff or program managers/ coordinators or community volunteers are eligible to apply. This training program will be particularly useful for trainers and program managers (individuals in management positions in Non-Government Organizations and government agencies) in palliative care. Brochure and application form are available at the Institute of Palliative Medicine website:

<http://www.instituteofpalliativemedicine.org/courses.php>

The last date for submission of request for enrolment is 30 November 2021.

Events

Seventh Annual End of Life Partnership Conference - “Recover, Refocus and Reinvent”:

- Date: 25 November 2021
- Venue: Forest Hill Hotel, Frodsham
- Cost: £35 including conference, workshop, lunch and refreshments.

Suitable for all health and social care staff who have contact with people at the end of life.

There are global challenges ahead for future end of life care and these have only been accelerated by the Covid 19 pandemic. This conference aims to explore, discuss and reflect on how we can improve the future provision of palliative and end of life care.

Taking place in person featuring speakers Shaun O’Leary, Joint CEO, St Christopher’s Hospice, and Tom Hardie, The Health Foundation, amongst others. The programme also includes a choice of two out of five workshops. For more information visit our website here: [Annual Conference 2021](#)

- To book please use this link: [Conference 21: Recover Refocus and Reinvent Tickets](#)

Lifting the Lid Festival of Death and Dying - 19th – 22nd November:

A free festival that lifts the lid on everything death & dying, through conversations, interactive events, workshops, art and craft sessions, live music, poetry and performance from around the world.

Featuring an international line-up of end of life and palliative carers, funeral directors, grief supporters, artists, musicians, writers, doctors, film makers, dancers, pet bereavement counsellors, coffin weavers, and everything in between.

Free weekend tickets (and list of events and speakers) are available now at [Lifting The Lid Festival of Death and Dying](#) (Limited tickets available)

Publications

The World Health Organization (WHO) set of indicators to evaluate and monitor the development of palliative care worldwide

The report was presented last week at the 17th Palliative Care World Congress in a joint symposium of the WHO and the European Association for Palliative Care. Read more [here](#).

Resources

BMC Palliative Care trajectory Touchpoint technique: a systematic methodology for capturing the service experiences of palliative care patients and their families: [Read more here](#).

Consultations

Pallaborative North West Ketamine case note survey 2021 - now open for data collection

Two researchers in the ethics of palliative care – Dr Martyna TOMCZYK (PhD) and Prof. Ralf J. JOX (PhD, MD) – with the invaluable help of Mrs Cécile JAQUES (MSc), a medical librarian, all three from the Lausanne University Hospital in Switzerland, are performing an international systematic review of clinical practice guidelines (CPGs) for palliative sedation in adults.

The authors will be very grateful to anyone who would like to help by sharing information on the guidelines for palliative sedation in her/his country. If you would like to contribute to this research, please contact Dr Martyna Tomczyk at the following email address: Martyna.Tomczyk@chuv.ch

Improving Palliative and end of life care for people with Learning disabilities

Survey request:

NHS England and Improvement are working with Claire Henry and Gemma Allen, from Claire Henry Associates to improve palliative and end of life care for people with learning disabilities in England. As part of a national project supported by NHS England and Improvement, we are seeking views on the demand for, and gaps in resources, relating to palliative and end of life care for people with learning disabilities. The guiding aim of the project is to secure feedback about the quality of current resources and to gain an understanding of what future resources may be of value to professionals working across health and social care, in addition to people with learning disabilities and their families. This survey is intended for health and social care professionals and providers in England but may be of interest to a wider group of people who provide care for people with a learning disability. Please take a moment to complete this survey. Link for survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TVJ9BLK>

The All-Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Hospice and End of Life Care review into the lasting impact of COVID-19 on death, dying and bereavement in England

As part of this review, it is requesting written evidence from those who have provided palliative and end of life care during the pandemic on their experiences, innovations and adaptations in care and the lasting impacts of the crisis on the sector and its workforce.

The APPG plans to use the evidence submitted to this review to inform recommendations to Government and the hospice and end of life care sector to ensure lessons learned during the pandemic, as well as new challenges, are not forgotten and lead to an improvement in people's experiences of death, dying and bereavement.

The deadline to submit written evidence to this review is **16 November 2021**. More information on how to submit evidence can be found in the formal call for written evidence attached or accessible online [here](#).

Other**NT Awards 2021: The Prince of Wales commends nurses for rising to Covid-19 challenge**

The Prince of Wales has paid tribute to the "tremendous" work of nurses over the course of the coronavirus pandemic, as part of his speech at the Nursing Times Awards 2021. The winner of the category this year was Liverpool University Hospitals NHS Foundation for a rapid training programme which saw infectious disease nurses upskilled to provide non-invasive ventilation for Covid-19 patients, outside of critical care. While congratulating all those shortlisted this year, His Royal Highness said nurses across all specialisms and in every setting "richly deserve our gratitude". [Nursing Times 28/10/2021](#)

