



# Nursing bulletin

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**The aim of this current awareness bulletin is to provide a digest of recent guidelines, and best practice on Nursing**

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### Guidelines/Reports

#### [Preceptorship Pulse Check](#)

#### **Florence Nightingale Foundation, June 2025**

New research shows growth in support for new nurses and midwives but preceptorship gaps persist. The report also underscores the importance of preceptorship in staff retention: 74% of new registrants say the quality of their preceptorship influenced their decision to stay with or leave their organisation.

### Published Research

Raising the Curtain on Objective Structured Clinical Examination Practices in Nursing: A Scoping Review

#### **Journal of Nursing Education, 2025;64(6):356–364**

Amid calls to transform nursing curricula to competency-based education, assessments to capture the intricacy and complexity of practice remains inconsistent. The ubiquitous integration of the objective structured clinical examination (OSCE) in evaluation systems necessitated a consolidative review to determine practices that garner its effectiveness.

The effects of bullying on nurses' turnover intentions, patient care, and somatic health complaints: Examining the importance of staffing adequacy and stress mindsets

#### **Nursing Outlook, Volume 73, Issue 3, May–June 2025**

Findings reveal that bullying indirectly increases turnover intentions, diminishes perceived quality of patient care, and elevates health complaints by increasing stress. Importantly, both adequate staffing and a stress-is-enhancing mindset can buffer nurses against these negative effects.

### Clinical Skills/Knowledge

#### [Children's nursing: how can childhood vaccination uptake improve?](#)

#### **Nursing Children & Young People, June 2025**

Children's nurses have a vital role in communities to help unpick vaccine hesitancy and work towards herd immunity. With vaccine hesitancy ranking among the top threats to global health, is the NHS doing enough to get the black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) community on board with vaccines?

Exploring the importance of diet in healthy ageing

#### **Nursing Standard, June 2025**

In this article, the authors provide an overview of nutrition in older adults, including the risk of malnutrition and the importance of hydration. The authors also discuss the role of



essential nutrients in supporting healthy ageing and consider how nurses might promote a healthy diet in older people using a person-centred approach.

Fungal infections: community nursing approaches to skin and nail care

**British Journal of Community Nursing, June 2025**

Dermatophytes (ringworms) are possibly the most prevalent causes of human infection globally. At least 40 dermatophyte species infect humans. This article focuses on nursing approaches to managing skin and nail dermatophyte infections. Antifungal resistance is becoming more common. However, community nurses should address poor adherence and other possible causes of treatment failure before assuming antifungal resistance.

Grief, loss and adjustment for people with dementia

**Nursing Times, June 2025**

This article looks at how grief might be experienced by people diagnosed with dementia. It explores anticipatory grief as felt in the period immediately post diagnosis by people with dementia and how grief caused by a bereavement might be complicated by the presence of dementia. Importantly, it also looks at how nurses can support a person with dementia where grief may be present.

How nurses can improve d/Deaf patients' health outcomes

**Nursing Times, 121: 7**

The Deaf community is a linguistic and cultural minority, and people in that group are at elevated risk of health inequities and poor health outcomes. Support from professionals is needed to make sure this patient group's needs are met. By making simple changes, nurses and nursing associates can improve outcomes for d/Deaf patients.

How to assess the quality of research in nursing

**Evidence Based Nursing, June 2025**

Understanding the quality of published research is essential for nurses, educators and healthcare researchers striving to implement evidence-based practice. However, 'quality assessment' can seem abstract or overly technical, primarily for those new to research appraisal. In an era where clinical decisions and policy recommendations are increasingly data-driven, evaluating the methodological rigour of quantitative studies is more critical than ever.

Insulin administration errors: the risks and tips for nurses

**Nursing Standard, June 2025**

Millions of people in the UK are diagnosed with diabetes, meaning insulin is commonly administered in nursing, but it poses serious risks when mishandled. Errors, which are often attributed to lack of training, confusion over insulin types or the misuse of equipment, can lead to life-threatening hypoglycaemia. 'Never events' are worryingly frequent. Experts explain how to ensure your practice is safe.

[Lower gastrointestinal symptoms – supporting earlier diagnosis](#)

**Nursing in Practice, June 2025**

Specialist gastroenterology nurse Pearl Avery explains how nurses can use new diagnostic pathways to support earlier diagnosis and appropriate management in patients with lower gastrointestinal symptoms

Revalidation: how can nurses gain their participatory CPD hours?

**Cancer Nursing Practice, June 2025**



Nurses must complete 35 hours of CPD activity every three years for revalidation with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC), and 20 of those hours must be participatory. The scope in nursing for participatory CPD – where the registrant interacts with fellow professionals – is broad and includes mentorship, peer reviewing, fact-finding about other relevant services and social media engagement on professional discussions.

Strategies for supporting neurodivergent nursing students in practice placements

**Nursing Standard, June 2025**

Neurodivergent conditions include autism, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and dyslexia. An increasing number of people with these conditions are entering higher education. Neurodivergent nursing students may experience increased challenges during their practice placements and require reasonable adjustments to be made.

[Weight-loss drugs: what are the benefits and risks?](#)

**Nursing Standard, June 2025**

Popularity of weight-loss drugs means nurses need to keep their knowledge updated. In this episode of the Nursing Standard podcast, Lisa Rickers – a registered nurse with more than 15 years' experience as a bariatric specialist in the NHS – explains that the health benefits of these drugs extend far beyond shedding excess pounds. She also discusses their potential risks, and offers advice for nurses when caring for patients who are using them.

**News/Blogs/Editorials**

[AI: the new frontier in nursing](#)

**Evidence-Based Nursing, 2025;28:41-42**

As the demands on nurses grow, AI offers a new frontier to enhance care, streamline workflows and address persistent challenges in the field. The integration of AI into nursing not only transforms the way care is delivered but also prompts critical ethical considerations and invites a re-imagining of the nursing profession in the 21st century.

Nurse burnout-busters: 6 things your employer should do

**Cancer Nursing Practice, June 2025**

Burnout is cited as one of the main reasons nurses quit the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) register. Two nurses with expertise in health and safety and processing trauma discuss six approaches all nursing employers should take to protect their staff from risk of burnout.

[Person-centred care of older people with diabetes](#)

**Royal College of Nursing, June 2025**

Older people with diabetes face complex physical, emotional and social challenges. Person-centred, holistic care delivered by skilled nurses and allied healthcare professionals is key to improving health outcomes and quality of life through individually tailored support and shared decision-making.

Role clarity for nursing associates: why it matters for nurses

**Cancer Nursing Practice, June 2025**

The blurring of roles between nursing associates and nurses has led nursing associates to demand clarification of their responsibilities, to guard against exploitation and avoid having to act beyond their pay grade. For the public, nursing itself is a vague term and people tend not to differentiate between different nursing bands.