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Nursing

[The pathophysiology, assessment, and management of acute pain](#)

This article reviews the pathophysiology and treatment of acute pain. Two definitions of pain are considered, along with the International Association for the Study of Pain taxonomy for nociceptive, neuropathic and nociplastic pain.

British Journal of Nursing Vol. 32, No. 2 pp. 58-65

[Scabies: an update for community nurses](#)

This article aims to enable the community nurse to be aware of the clinical features of scabies and how it is treated.

British Journal of Community Nursing Vol. 28, No. 2 pp. 78-82

[Dysphagia: the role of thickeners, specifically Resource ThickenUp Clear, in maintaining hydration](#)

This article outlines the reasons why dysphagia occurs and the role thickeners can play, specifically Resource ThickenUp Clear thickening agent, in enabling a person to safely maintain optimal hydration and nutrition.

British Journal of Neuroscience Nursing Vol.18, No. 6 pp. 250-256

[Moving away from medicines: an overview of chronic pain management](#)

This article explores the latest recommendations regarding medicines use in chronic primary pain and outlines appropriate non-pharmacological management strategies. It also discusses some of the barriers to implementing chronic pain management interventions, and provides advice for nurses caring for patients who are experiencing this type of pain.

Nursing Standard, February 6th 2023

[Handling difficult or aggressive patients: tips and advice](#)

Dealing with 'challenging' patients, who display aggression, use offensive language and other abusive behaviours, is an uncomfortable but familiar aspect of many nurses' working lives.

Nursing Standard, February 1st 2023



Midwifery

Vaginal candidiasis in pregnant women: A guide for nurses

Margaret Perry looks at how this common infection can affect women during pregnancy
Independent Nurse Vol. 2023, No. 1 pp. 22-24

Maternal collapse in pregnancy

Maternal collapse is a rare life-threatening event that can occur at any stage of pregnancy or up to 6 weeks postpartum. Prompt identification and timely intervention by a multidisciplinary team that includes an obstetrician, midwifery staff and an obstetric anaesthetist are essential to improve maternal and fetal outcomes.

British Journal of Hospital Medicine Vol. 83, No. 12 pp. 1-12

Students stand at the door: exploring views on professionalism in midwifery spaces

The aims of this study were to explore how midwifery students understand the concept of professionalism and how their professional identity develops during midwifery education.

British Journal of Midwifery Vol 31, No. 2 pp. 66-73

Sustainability of Entonox in obstetrics: a qualitative study

Nitrous oxide is a potent greenhouse gas widely used in childbirth in the form of Entonox. In this study, its use was investigated because of its negative climate effect. The study aimed to identify and investigate midwives' use of Entonox in the labour ward of a tertiary Scottish hospital.

British Journal of Midwifery Vol.31, No. 2 pp. 74-80

Predicting the risk of pre-eclampsia

Pre-eclampsia is one of the most common causes of maternal morbidity and mortality
Clinical services Journal, January 30th 2023

Report

Detection of jaundice in newborn babies

Reliance on the visual signs of jaundice could put babies, particularly those born prematurely and with black and brown skin, at risk of harm, the Healthcare Safety Investigation Branch (HSIB) has warned.

Independent report by the Healthcare Safety Investigation Branch NI-003739 January 2023

The Royal Marsden Manual Online

The [Royal Marsden Manual Online](https://openathens.nice.org.uk/) is available to all NHS Staff with an NHS Open Athens account. If you do not have a NHS OpenAthens account then you can self-register for one at: <https://openathens.nice.org.uk/>

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