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Nursing

[Nasogastric tube insertion 1: children and young people](#)

This first of two articles on nasogastric tube insertion explains the procedure for a child or young person, including ethical, practical and safety considerations
Nursing Times, 118, 8 pp.

[Nasogastric tube insertion 2: placement in adult patients](#)

This second article on nasogastric tube insertion outlines the procedure for adults. It looks at reasons for insertion, ethical and cultural issues, and consent. It also describes the correct positioning and preparation of patients and how to place the tube.
Nursing Times, Sept 118, 9 pp. 44-47

[The impact of glove misuse in patient safety during COVID-19 pandemic](#)

This article explores the increased misuse and overuse of non-sterile gloves and its impact on the spread of infections.
Nursing times, 118 (9) pp. 33-36

[Essentials of wound care: assessing and managing impaired skin integrity](#)

This article provides nurses with an overview of the assessment and management of impaired skin integrity using the TIMERS tool. It also discusses the importance of shared decision-making between nurses and patients when formulating a wound care regimen
Nursing Standard, September 12th 2022

[Managing symptoms at the end of life: a guide for non-palliative care nurses](#)

This article provides a guide to assist non-palliative care nurses in recognising dying and managing common symptoms at the end of life.
Nursing Standard, September 26th 2022

[Understanding obesity and addressing stigma: the role of healthcare professionals](#)

This article outlines the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on weight and weight-related behaviours and discusses the complexity of obesity and weight stigma. It also emphasises the importance of nurses advocating for action to address the obesogenic environment.
Nursing Standard, 3rd October 2022



Midwifery

Editorial: Midwifery professionals and professionalism

Midwifery is a profession that embraces both art and science, focusing on the health and care of women when pregnant, giving birth and postpartum, as well as involving care for a woman's baby and family (Butler et al, 2018)

African Journal of Midwifery and Women's Health Vol. 16, No. 3 p.1

'Labour Hopscotch': Women's evaluation of using the steps during labor

The aim of this study was to evaluate the steps of the Labour Hopscotch women found most useful, examine the use of non-pharmacological and pharmacological methods of pain relief used during labor and finally to investigate the labor and birth outcomes of women who used 'Labour Hopscotch' during labor.

European Journal of Midwifery 2022; 6 (September) p.59

Fifteen-minute consultation: ABCDE approach to nutritional assessment in preterm infants

This article provides a brief approach to nutritional assessment for use on the NICU summarised as ABCDE: A—anthropometry, B—biochemistry, C—clinical, D—dietary intakes, E—environment and evaluation.

Archives of Disease in Childhood Education & Practice Ed 2022; 107: pp.314–319

Are poor experiences on postnatal wards linked to staffing levels?

This article is based on a new analysis by the team at the School of Health Sciences, University of Southampton, who are exploring the effect of staffing on the outcomes and experiences of people receiving care in hospitals.

It summarises an analysis of women's experiences of hospital postnatal care by Turner et al (2022)

Nursing Times, 118 (10) pp.49-50

The bidirectional relationship between breastfeeding and mental health

This study aimed to better understand the bidirectional relationship between breastfeeding and maternal mental health

British Journal of Midwifery Vol. 30, No. 10 pp. 554-562

Aerobic vaginitis in the third trimester and its impact on pregnancy outcomes

Aerobic vaginitis (AV) is a vaginal inflammation characterized by disruption of the lactobacillus microbiota and increased counts of different aerobic bacteria. AV may result in severe complications, especially during pregnancy, including preterm delivery, neonatal and maternal infections. This study aimed to determine the prevalence of AV in the third trimester of pregnancy, and the relationship between AV and pregnancy outcomes.

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth (2022) 22:432

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