



RCN Advanced Nurse Practitioner Forum Steering Committee Strategy Day Meeting Notes

Date: 31 January 2025

Time: 11:00-16:00

Room: Betsi Cadwaladr room 309 – RCN HQ

Attendees:

Jennifer Charlewood (JC) Co-chair
Sharlene Hogan (SH) Co-chair
Katie Brown (KAB)
Coral Rees (CR)

Denise Alexis (DA)
Wendy Preston (WP)
Michelle Raddings (MR)

Guests:


Donna Munro (DM)
Sally Faley (SF)
Stuart Duggan (SD)


Apologies:

Neal Aplin
Adele Parsons
Josie Tuck

No	Time	Item
1.	11:00	Welcome and apologies (JC/SH)
2.	11:10	Minutes of last strategy day (ALL) Agreed WP – reminds the steering committee to complete any representation forms when they represent the RCN at external meetings.
3.	11:30	Forum Chairs Update (JC/SH)

		<p>JC and SH term of office as Chair and Vice Chair ends at the end of the year.</p> <p>FFC – FCG (Forum chairs group) FGG – FCC (Forums coordinator committee)</p> <p>Steering committee to nominate potential candidates for the Forum achievement awards</p>
4.	12:00	<p>Credentialing – (WP)</p> <p>MR asked if there was any mileage in co-ordinating any future response with the RCN Education forum, and the education team given the proposal from government to remove level 7 apprenticeship funding. MR mentioned that this may affect nursing members that would want to pursue a full master's degree via the apprenticeship route. WP agreed and updated the forum that the RCN had submitted a response to the DfE/Skills England regarding concerns of the proposed removal of funding.</p> <p>Advanced practice regulation.</p>
5.	12:30	<p>Congress 2025 (ALL) https://www.rcn.org.uk/congress/</p> <p>ANP steering committee has agreed the Congress funded voting participants for 2025.</p> <p>Learning and wellbeing: NMC coming to talk about regulations. Clinical supervision – Adele Parsons Neurodiversity in the workplace – Rachael Major/Katie Brown</p> <p>WP raised that there is a Congress 2025 resolution: physician associates (PAs) debate on the impact physician associates has on the ANP roles.</p> <p>NHS England expanding MAPS.</p> <p>Steering committee would like t-shirts for Congress.</p> <p>ICN Congress is scheduled for June in Helsinki. WP has had an abstract accepted and will also be submitting an abstract for 2026 in Tennessee, USA and is also considering doing a symposium. Action: WP to do a repository for ANP submissions for the Helsinki Conference.</p> <p>Action: DA to invite ANP Congress representatives to an intro meeting 20 March.</p>
6.	13:30	<p>ANP 10 October 2025 Conference – Sally Faley, Business Events Manager</p>

		<p>Virtual conference is the preferred option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feedback clinical focus • Hybrid conference can be explored for the future • Promotion • SF will advise committee next week who the event. Invite a staff member from the legal team. CR/AP will be the steering committee leads. Planning meeting in February and 75% of the programme ready by April to promote at Congress. <p>Themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dermatology • Prescribing updates - social • Diversity and equality of ACP's • AI – Dr Siobhán O'Connor, Kings College • Prolapse • Surgical screening • ANP role in Prevention and wellness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Gambling addiction ○ SH – to invite Paul Cann to talk about loneliness ○ Abstracts ○ Tobacco addiction • Obesity and science • Plenary sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Financial health and how it applies to your patients <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Invite a social subscriber ○ People living longer • Sleep Apnoea • Governance, CPD and Primary Care • Breakout sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Clinical
7.	14:15	<p>Comms and social media – Stuart Duggan, Senior writer and digital content editor</p> <p>https://www.rcn.org.uk/get-involved/forums/advanced-nurse-practitioner-forum</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/groups/RCNAdvancedNursePractitionerForum</p> <p></p> <p>Comms dept - supporting RCN forum</p> <p>Action: Steering committee to forward any articles they would like to promote to Stuart</p>

8.	14:40	<p>Quality Assurance of RCN professional learning resources – Donna Munro, RCN Nursing Lead – Education</p> <p> QA slides.pdf</p> <p>The quality assurance (QA) policy provides UK-wide guidance for all staff across the Royal College of Nursing (RCN) who are involved in developing and delivering RCN professional learning resources. All UK-wide RCN resources must comply with this policy. The RCN is committed to delivering high quality professional learning resources through the development of the RCN quality assurance policy. This is underpinned by the RCN quality assurance framework (QAF) nine quality standards for RCN professional learning resources, which aligns with the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) quality code.</p>
9.	15:00	<p>2025 objectives, workplan and responsibilities (ALL)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ What are our priorities and key work streams and who will lead each? ➤ Presence: Social media, and blogs, ➤ Expectations of the steering committee ➤ FGG bids <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANP Conference (CR/AP) • FGG bid for information from organisations to inform us on how people become an ANP within their organisation and then write a report (JC/SH) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ How to guide/guidance on how you do it? ○ Variation of what works/what doesn't work ○ Do a systematic review/literature review • FGG bid for a short video on promoting diversity within an ANP role (CR) • Blogs (ALL) • Monitor NMC work on revalidation and look for opportunities to influence. <p>Action: Steering committee to review workplan quarterly.</p>
10.	15:45	<p>AOB</p> <p>Due to forums requesting conferences every year, the Events team can't facilitate all requests and are considering events move from annually to every 18months or every two years.</p>
11.	16:00	<p>Meeting close</p>

