



Professional Framework for Emergency Care Nursing Project Phase 1 Update November 2014

Earlier this year, NIPEC was asked by the Chief Nursing Officer to work in partnership with the Emergency Nurse Network to facilitate a project to advance the professional development of the Emergency Care Nursing workforce in Northern Ireland.

The aim of the project is to develop a model to support the organisation of the Nursing workforce to enable the delivery of safe, effective person centred nursing care within Emergency Departments in the five HSC Trusts across Northern Ireland

Phase 1: aims to examine the current model of the organisation of the Nursing workforce including Nursing Assistants within Emergency Departments (ED)

What has happened to date?

The Sub Group for Phase 1 has:

- developed a scoping tool which aims to capture the current model of the organisation of the Nursing workforce within Emergency Departments and Minor Injuries Units, this has been circulated across the HSC Trusts and responses are to be returned by the 28 November 2014.
- arrangements in place for engagement with ED Nurses/Nursing Assistants across the five HSC Trusts. The purpose of this exercise is to capture what learning and development opportunities are available to support staff and explore how these could be enhanced. To achieve this, a questionnaire has been devised and NIPEC Officers will be present in EDs across the HSC during December/January to promote completion. The questionnaire will also be available on NIPEC website www.nipec.hscni.net NIPEC Facebook and Twitter.

Next steps

Information gathered from these initiatives will be collated and analysed during early 2015 to inform Phase 2 of the Project.

More information Regular updates will be issued from the Project and published on NIPEC's website – www.nipec.hscni.net
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