

***Professionalism in Nursing and Midwifery
Project Board***

20th February 2017, 11:00 – 13:00hrs

By teleconference

AGENDA

Agenda Item	Time
1. Chair's remarks, welcome and apologies	11:00
<u>Apologies:</u>	
2. Notes of the last meeting and actions outstanding: Submission to ICN FNF	11:05
3. Final Document	11:20
• Presentation to CNOs	
4. Testing and Feedback	11:45
5. Publication, Potential Products and Impact	12:00
6. Launch	12:45
7. Next Steps	12:55
8. Date of Next meeting: TBA	

Aim

To promote professionalism within nursing and midwifery, by supporting the implementation and application of the Code¹ in practice, making it 'real' for nurses, midwives and practice environments across the UK.

The project will enable the:

Objective statement

1. Agreement of a four country statement of intent to explore what *Professionalism* means in the context of the new Code².
2. Wide dissemination of the statement of intent.
3. Articulate the importance of professionalism for nursing and midwifery, including the production of a statement of rationale for the work of the project and perspectives of stakeholder groups.
4. Definition of the component parts of professionalism in nursing and midwifery as viewed by a Project Board nominated by the Chief Nursing Officers (CNOs) of the four countries³. This definition should be cognisant of articulating the impact of the autonomous, competent accountable practitioner.
5. Articulation of the conditions required for practice environments to support professional behaviours and practice, and how assurances might be provided to Chief and Executive Nurses that professional practice conditions are appropriate to enable safe, effective, person-centred service provision.
6. Consultation on the definition, practice conditions and potential elements of a practice toolkit to gain consensus.
7. Production of final presentation formats for national dissemination.
8. Recommendation of a method of implementation and/or impact evaluation on the service improvement on quality services.

Progress

Statement of intent agreed by four country CNOs and presented at FNF conference March 2016.

Statement of intent disseminated via journals and nursing press. Also disseminated via social media by CNOs and within countries.

Briefing paper prepared from perspectives of three audiences: policy, public and practitioner.

Production of final draft framework paper completed October 2016.

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¹ Nursing and Midwifery Council. (2015). *The Code: Professional standards of practice and behaviour for nurses and midwives*. London, NMC.

² *Ibid.*

³ Outline membership of the Project Board/ Expert Reference Group is detailed at Appendix 1, page 9 of this document with Terms of Reference agreed by members of the group at the first meeting.