



COMMUNIQUE NUMBER 3

Professional Framework for Emergency Care Nursing Project Phase 1

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NIPEC is working in partnership with the RCN Emergency Care 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

The project is to be delivered over two phases. 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?

- Roisin Devlin, an Emergency Nurse Practitioner from the South Eastern Trust, has been successfully appointed as Project Officer and has been seconded from the 26th January to support the project
- Phase 1 has been completed and work has commenced work on Phase 2

Phase 2:

- The completed scoping Tools, which aimed to capture the current model of the organisation of the nursing workforce within emergency departments, have now all been gathered and the information is being collated and analysed
- Engagement visits with ED nurses across the five HSC trust have been completed. These proved to be informative visits and were well attended by all bands of nursing staff. Nurses were enthusiastic about the project and happy to share their thoughts and experiences.
- There was an excellent response from questionnaires left in departments, distributed at visits and completed online via the NIPEC website. The online questionnaire is now closed and we thank everyone who responded. The responses will be now be collated and analysed.

Next steps

The information collated and analysed will be presented at the next steering group meeting on Monday 2nd March 2015 and will inform the next stages of this exciting project

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