



COMMUNIQUE NUMBER 2

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 will 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?

A Sub-group has been established to take forward Phase 1. They have:

- developed a scoping tool which aims to capture the current model of the organisation of the Nursing workforce within all Emergency Departments, this has been circulated for completion across the HSC Trusts The scoping tool can be accessed on the NIPEC website <http://www.nipec.hscni.net/cw-EDNursingCare.aspx>
- put in place arrangements for engagement with ED Nursing staff across the five HSC Trusts. The purpose of this exercise is to inform staff about the project and using a short questionnaire, capture what learning and development opportunities are available to support staff and explore how these could be enhanced. NIPEC Officers have been present in EDs during December and this will continue into January 2015; you can find out details of visits by asking your local ED manager. The questionnaire is also available to complete on line via the NIPEC website, 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.

For more information visit our website – www.nipec.hscni.net

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