

Are you a student nurse or nursing associate aspiring to join the social care nursing workforce?

Explore these resources to discover exciting opportunities in social care perfect for students, nursing associates, and professionals looking to grow their professional network and future career.



- [Find out how you can make the most of student nurse placements in social care settings.](#)
- [If you're looking for peer support join the Social Care Network for students and early career nurses.](#)
- [Take a look at the diverse opportunities to see where your nursing career can go in social care.](#)
- [Join your regional Social Care Nursing Advisory Council with The Outstanding Society.](#)

Our forums and networks are open to new members. Get in touch at [**socialcarenursing@skillsforcare.org**](mailto:socialcarenursing@skillsforcare.org) for help finding the right space for you.

DHSC contacts and news

For nursing or general queries, email [**MCPE.Correspondence-InternalMB@dhsc.gov.uk**](mailto:MCPE.Correspondence-InternalMB@dhsc.gov.uk); for Adult Social Care, use [**ASCBriefing@dhsc.gov.uk**](mailto:ASCBriefing@dhsc.gov.uk). Stay updated via the DHSC GOV.UK page or sign up for GOV.UK email alerts.

Are you a registered nurse or nursing associate working in social care?

Discover exciting opportunities to connect, influence and expand your network, as well as access continuing professional development (CPD).

Join a network and build your professional nursing voice:

- Skills for Care nursing community:
 - **Workforce forum** for leaders to explore practice innovation, continuing professional development, and career opportunities.
 - **Education forum** for individuals and organisations committed to strengthening the role of social care within nursing education through teaching, practice learning, or research.
 - **Global Majority Nursing network** for the Black and Asian nursing workforce to share insight and experiences, network and access personal development and leadership opportunities.
- Queens Institute of Community Nursing host an Adult Social Care Nursing Network.
- Become a part of Regional Social Care Nursing Advisory Councils with The Outstanding Society.
- Explore the professional body for nursing in the Royal College of Nursing's work for members in independent health and social care

Build your professional expertise in social care, explore the following opportunities to advance your nursing career:

- Queens Institute of Community Nursing - Transition to Care Home Nursing.
- Queens Institute of Community Nursing - Education and Practice Standards for Care Home Nurses.
- Adult social care nursing insights into the latest developments in research, education, and professional practice.
- Develop your skills to support nursing students.
- Cred talks – a forum to discuss what matters for social care.
- Foundation of Nursing Studies - Resilience Based Clinical Supervision for Social Care.
- Royal College of Nursing Foundation – Education grants.
- Burdett Trust for Nursing – Grant programmes.
- Standards of proficiency for community nursing specialist practice qualifications (SPQ) - The Nursing and Midwifery Council.
- National Institute for Health and Care Research - Researcher Development Programme for Social Care Nurses.
- Royal College of Nursing – Educational programmes and services.

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Are you a nursing leader in adult social care?

Whether you're a nursing leader or a care professional leading a nursing team in social care, there are lots of ways to get involved and access resources to support and develop your workforce and organisation to inspire the next generation.



- [Skills for Care Workforce forum for leaders to explore practice innovation, continuing professional development, and career opportunities.](#)
- [Host student practice learning opportunities - Developing nursing placement opportunities in social care.](#)
- [Embed Preceptorship supporting the transition of pre-registration nursing and nursing associates into practice.](#)
- [Valuing social care in nursing education Join the nursing community.](#)
- [Join your regional Social Care Nursing Advisory Council with The Outstanding Society.](#)
- [National Institute for Health and Care Research – Funding programmes.](#)

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