

Press release

Seven new community nursing projects secure funding



The Queen's
Nursing Institute

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Community nursing charity The Queen's Nursing Institute has announced seven new projects that will receive funding and professional development as part of its Fund for Innovation and Leadership.

The projects are the first to benefit from the funding partnership with the Burdett Trust for Nursing, which runs for three years. The projects will each receive up to £5000 in financial support, and a year long programme of professional development including project management, delivering outcomes, media skills, and reporting.

The projects are diverse and include support to patients suffering from dementia and their families, care plans for children with sickle-cell anaemia, language training for patients whose language is not English, a mental health screening programme in a community setting, and a programme to improve the mental health of men over 50 who are suffering from depression. The projects are also widely geographically spread, representing nurses from London, the Midlands, the Northwest, Wales, and Northern Ireland.

Rosemary Cook, Director of the QNI, said, "We are delighted to have received such strong applicants for this funding programme, and to be able to announce such a strong and diverse group of nurse-led projects. At a time when many primary care services are under pressure from financial and political uncertainty, these projects will help to demonstrate the value of innovation in patient care and the huge potential of nurse leadership."

The projects run for twelve months from January 2010, after which the outcomes of the completed projects will be available.

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Notes to Editors

A full list of the seven projects is available at this link: <http://www.qni.org.uk/userfiles/file/Fund%20for%20Innovation%20and%20Leadership%202010.doc> .

The Burdett Trust/QNI Fund for Innovation and Leadership is a three year project running from 2010-2013. It builds on the QNI's project funding programme which has been running since 1990 and has supported hundreds of nurse-led projects in the community. More information is available on the QNI's website here: <http://www.qni.org.uk/project-funding/index.html>

More information about the Burdett Trust is available here: <http://www.burdettnursingtrust.org.uk/thetrust.htm>

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