Her Majesty, Oueen Elizabeth II

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'And flights of angels sing thee to thy rest'

Queen's Nurses FAQs regarding the Queen's Nurse title and the Queen's Nursing Institute

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Will the title of Queen's Nurse change now that we have a King?

No - the title of Queen's Nurse is not affected.

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Who will be the next Patron of the QNI?

Her Majesty Queen Camilla, as Queen Consort, will be invited to be the charity's new Patron.

Why is the title of Queen's Nurse not affected?

The title of 'Queen's Nurse' has been used since the first Royal Charter was granted to the QNI in 1889, apart from the period 1968-2007 when the title was not used. The title of Queen's Nurse is derived from the name of the charity and its Royal Patron, not necessarily the current sovereign.

What is the connection between the charity and its Patron?

The Queen's Nursing Institute has always been known by this name or a variation of it, even when there has been a King on the throne. A queen has always been Patron of the charity, even when they were not the ruling monarch at the time. Following Queen Victoria, who founded the charity, Queen Alexandra, Queen Mary, and Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother were all Patrons of the QNI during the years when they were Queens Consort and Queens Dowager. The Queen Mother was Patron of the QNI from 1953 until her death in 2002, when Queen Elizabeth II became Patron.

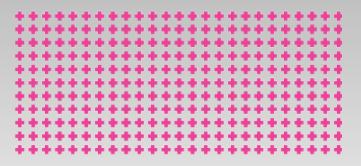


Many titles in other professions are changing. Is there a reference source of

Yes – the book 'Queen's in their Name' published in June 2021 has a history and photograph of all of them, including Queen's Nurses.

To find out more go to:

https://www.juliancalderpublishing.com/shop/queensin-their-name



If you have any queries about the Queen's Nurse title, please email queensnurse@qni.org.uk.

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