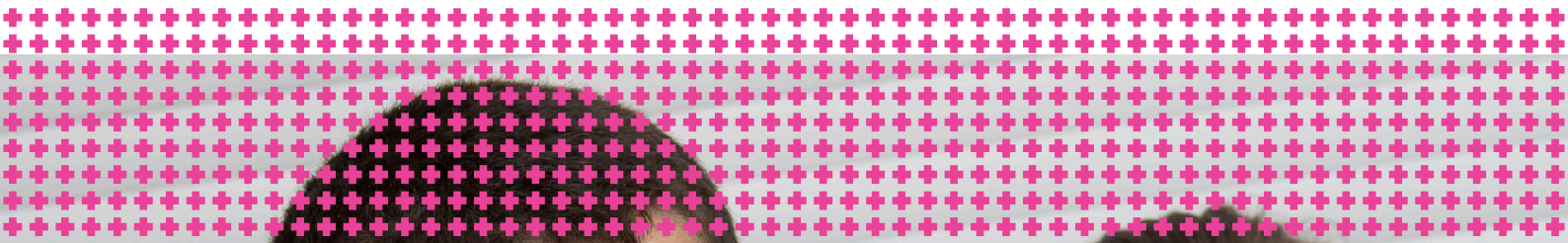


Community Nursing Innovation Programme

Information for Employers





The Queen’s Nursing Institute (QNI) is a national charity that supports nurses to deliver best nursing care to individuals, carers, families, and communities.

Nurse-led projects are one of the most direct ways in which the QNI helps nurses improve patient care. Since 1990, the QNI has funded over 300 innovative projects across the whole range of community nursing specialties and has built an excellent reputation for providing support and sharing the results with community nurses nationally through professional networks, conferences and publications.

Continuing Professional Development

Not all nurses want to undertake a module of study, but many nurse have brilliant ideas that could improve the quality and outcomes for those who are in receipt of care from your organisation. The QNI has over 20 years of experience in supporting nurses to put these ideas into practice and 65% of these projects become part of mainstream services.

Leading a project with the QNI builds confidence, challenges and enhances practice, builds resilience, and develops resourcefulness through creatively solving problems. Projects also provide the opportunity to network nationally and learn from others. QNI project leads have gone on to be shortlisted for and won national awards and present their work at QNI conferences, showcasing their achievements.

How much does it cost?

The QNI fee to support a project is £5000 and the organisation also needs to commit to investing up to £5000 in the project, depending on what equipment and materials are needed. We recommend that this budget is held by the QNI, as we can support the project lead to be flexible and creative in purchasing the most appropriate and economical materials, without going through a lengthy procurement process.

The project fee includes QNI support for a full year. This includes workshops, using impact and outcome measures to demonstrate value and success, and creative thinking to expand on ideas and focus on the areas that matter most. Site visits are also carried out by experienced QNI staff. Learning is shared regionally and nationally at network meetings. We also help develop artwork and key messages for projects’ marketing materials, posters and presentations.



Who can apply?

Any nurse working in the community, primary care or social care in England, Wales, Northern Ireland, Channel Islands or Isle of Man can be a project lead. We are passionate about working with any person who wants to have an impact on service improvement in their organisation, for the benefit of individuals and communities. Places are strictly limited so that we can ensure that all project leads benefit from the personal, high-quality support.

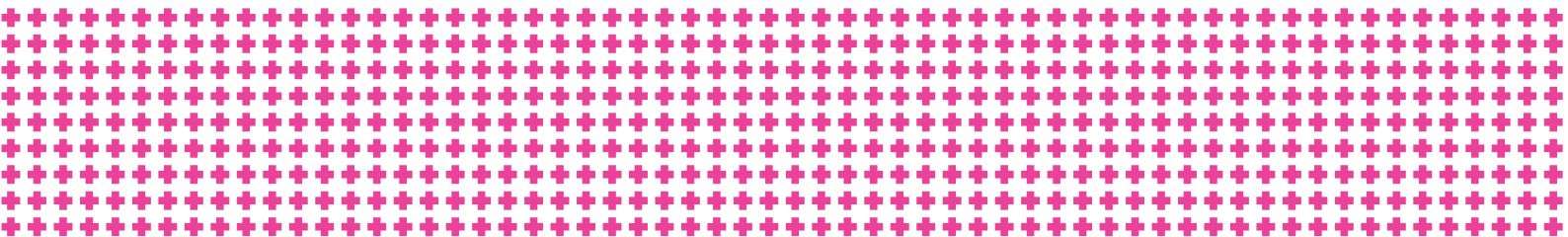
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To discuss your ideas and the opportunities available please contact Dr Amanda Young in the first instance: amanda.young@qni.org.uk.

“ It has been an amazing experience in all aspects of my professional and personal life. I have noted my resilience, my ability to regroup and bounce back which has been a lesson well learnt.
Former innovation project lead

“ It is very easy to decline opportunities such as this CNIP project due to the competing pressures of other work and the effort required to deliver it, however, the whole project team is proud of the support we have offered and the challenges we have overcome to deliver good quality outcomes.
Former innovation project lead

“ On a personal level, being able to see what the members of the project team have achieved for the families has been incredibly inspiring.
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