



Equality and Diversity Conference

Organised by the Royal College of Nursing Northern Region in partnership with the Centre for Inclusion and Diversity at Bradford University, the Royal College of Nursing North West Region and the Royal College of Nursing Yorkshire and the Humber Region

In a different light: respect and reach out

First announcement and call for papers

Thursday 7 June 2007

Intersonic Stadium, Valley Parade
Bradford BD8 7DY

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The conference

With the introduction of new equality legislation to strengthen and develop the existing legislation, diversity is on everyone's agenda. *In a Different Light: Respect and Reach out*, will focus on all diversity strands, raising awareness of the current issues and challenges facing people from minority groups in employment, accessing health and social care services and in everyday life. We aim to share good practices which tackle discrimination and celebrate how different backgrounds, abilities and experiences can enhance how we work and engage with others.

This conference will provide you with an ideal opportunity to raise current issues related to age, race, gender, religion and belief, sexual orientation and disability. It will also enable you to showcase your work and share your positive outcomes with over 200 professional colleagues from a rich diversity of organisations.

We do hope that you will take this opportunity to attend so that we can welcome you to Bradford and have the privilege of sharing in your good practice.

Abstract guidelines

Abstracts are invited for the following presentations:

- a) Concurrent sessions
- b) Poster presentations

Each paper should relate to one of the following themes:

- Age
- Race
- Gender
- Religion and belief
- Sexual orientation
- Disability

Please note that 50% of the concurrent abstracts chosen will be inter-active workshop sessions

Poster presentations

Posters are a significant part of the conference and poster presenters will have an excellent opportunity to interact with delegates. Posters should be highly stimulating visually and legibly presented.

Purpose

The purpose of the abstract is twofold. Firstly, it will enable the scientific committee to make an informed decision on the suitability of the paper/poster for the conference programme. Secondly, the abstract will provide participants attending the conference with written information to support the presentation.

Outline programme

Thursday 7 June 2007

08.30	Registration, refreshments, poster and exhibition viewing
09.30	Chair's opening remarks Professor Jeff Lucas, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, University of Bradford
09.45	Keynote speech Lord Victor Adebawale Chief Executive, Turning Point
10.30	Refreshments, networking, poster and exhibition viewing
11.00	Plenary Speaker 2 Ruth Hunt, Head of Policy and Research, Stonewall
11.45	First concurrent selection (choice of 6)
12.30	Lunch, networking, poster and exhibition viewing
13.30	Second concurrent selection (choice of 6)
14.15	Third concurrent selection (choice of 6)
15.00	Chair opens plenary session Bobbie Chadwick, RCN Deputy President
15.15	Plenary Speaker 3 (To be confirmed)
16.00	Chair's closing remarks
16.15	Evaluation and close

Continuing professional development (CPD)

Approval for this event will be sought from the RCN Accreditation Unit. The Royal College of Nursing believes in lifelong learning and actively promotes continuing professional development for all nurses. Certificates of attendance will be issued to all participants. For further information about the RCN Accreditation Unit and the services that they provide, visit their webpage: www.rcn.org.uk



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Abstract submission

In order to facilitate the process of selecting and processing abstracts, the RCN now require the following information to be compiled by the author. The abstract and the presenter's profile should be sent together, but as two separate documents. Please send to the conference organiser, either via email or on floppy disk (please use Microsoft Word for Windows), or, if this is not possible, a typed hard copy via post. Please note, hand written submissions will not be accepted.

Please ensure that you supply ALL the requested information. Failure to do so may affect your application.

Please provide the following information:

1. Title (Prof/Dr/Miss/Mrs/Ms/Mr/other)
2. Name
3. Job title
4. Qualifications
5. Workplace
6. Mailing address
7. Post code
8. Country
9. RCN membership no. (if applicable)
10. Day time telephone number
11. Mobile number
12. Fax number
13. E-mail address
14. Title of paper
15. Overall aim of the paper*
16. At least 3 intended learning outcomes*
17. At least 3 references*
18. Type of presentation (concurrent/poster)
19. An abstract of your presentation*
20. Your professional biography*
21. If appropriate, co-presenter's name, job title, workplace and mailing address
22. Theme of paper
23. First time presenter – yes or no

* This information will assist in gaining accreditation for the conference.

Closing date for all submissions is **midday on 15 March 2007** and applicants will be notified no later than week commencing **19 March 2007** as to whether or not their paper has been accepted.

PLEASE DO NOT FORGET – RESPONSES TO ALL 23 POINTS MUST BE PROVIDED!

Check your submission before you send it!

Please note

You must register for the conference in order to be eligible to present your paper or poster.

All accepted abstracts will be published in the conference programme.

Abstracts should be sent to:

Julie Lockhart
Conference Organiser
Avalon House
St Catherine's Court
Sunderland Enterprise Park
Sunderland SR5 3XJ

Or preferably via e-mail: julie.lockhart@rcn.org.uk

If you have any queries regarding your submission please contact Julie Lockhart on

Tel: 0191 511 5800

Fax: 0191 511 5899

For further information about an abstract submission please contact members of the scientific committee: Janet Maclean at RCN Northern Office on 0845 456 7871, Mary-Ann Parkinson at RCN North West Office on 0845 456 7843, Andrea Yarnold at RCN Yorkshire & the Humber on 0845 456 7869 or Udy Archibong at the Centre for Inclusion and Diversity on 01274 236448.

Booking form

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RCN member? YES NO

RCN student member? YES NO

RCN membership number*

*This section must be completed if you wish to apply for a discount from your conference registration fee. If you do not know your RCN membership number please contact RCN Direct on 0845 772 6100

Title (Mr, Ms, Mrs)

Surname or family name

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Conference fees:

£200.00

The conference fee includes registration for the conference, conference materials, lunch, teas and coffee. It does not include travel or accommodation.

Special discount rates:

If you are a student you can attend this conference and receive a 40% discount on the registration fee. Please attach a copy of your student ID card or RCN student membership number to your application form, along with the correct payment.

If you are block booking a group of six or more delegates to attend an RCN conference, each delegate receives a 10% discount on their applicable fee. To be eligible for this discount, all applications must be sent together in one batch.

Registration:

Please send your completed registration form with full payment to:

Event Registrations, RCN, Avalon House, St Catherine's Court, Sunderland Enterprise Park, Sunderland SR5 3XJ

All applicants will receive an acknowledgement and, nearer to the conference, delegate information, including directions to the venue. If you need to check your financial details, or make amendments to your booking, please contact Event Registrations, RCN, Avalon House, St Catherine's Court, Sunderland Enterprise Park, Sunderland SR5 3XJ

Payment by BACS:

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I will make a bank transfer (free of charge to recipients).

Please ensure that a remittance advice is sent along with your completed registration form. You will not be registered to attend this event unless payment accompanies your application. We regret that we are unable to invoice. Places can not be held provisionally.

Cancellations:

Cancellations received one full month before the start of the event will be refunded, minus a 25% administration fee. Regrettably, no refunds can be processed after this date. Places can be substituted with the prior knowledge and agreement of the RCN.

Further Information:

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