

Lothian Clinical Academic Pathways Partnership



Nursing, Midwifery, AHP and Pharmacy Professionals (NMAHPP) Research Symposium

23rd April 2026 12.20 – 16.05

Teams Webinar

12.20	Join Symposium – wait in Lobby	
12.30	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Professor Juliet MacArthur, Chief Nurse Research and Development, NHS Lothian</i>	
	Presentations	
	Breakout Room A <i>Chair: Dr Carina Hibbard, Clinical Doctorate Programme Director, University of Stirling</i>	Breakout Room B <i>Chair: Dr Ali Wood, Senior Lecturer, Queen Margaret University</i>
12.40	Co-designing MindWell: Integrating student and stakeholder perspectives to inform a digital mental health prototype for UK Higher Education <i>Michael Ife, MSc Mental Health Nursing Student, Edinburgh Napier University</i>	Understanding the rehabilitation needs of survivors of critical illness in the community: a mixed-methods study <i>Nur Syuhada Binte Emanan, Physiotherapist, PhD Student, Queen Margaret University</i>
13.10	How should airway clearance for people with Cystic Fibrosis be advised following the widespread availability of cystic fibrosis transmembrane regulator modulators? <i>Hebe Shedden & Thomas Craig, Physiotherapy Students, Queen Margaret University</i>	The ExSEED Study: Experiences of suicidality care in the Emergency Department <i>Anna Miell, Lead Research Nurse, EMERGE, NHS Lothian</i>
13.40	MND-SMART: Motor Neuron Disease Systematic Multi-Arm Adaptive Randomised Trial Sub-study 1: Attitudes and experiences of participants in MND-SMART <i>Isaac Chau, Research Nurse, Anne Rowling Regenerative Neurology Clinic/ PhD Student, University of Edinburgh</i>	Treatment strategies for managing pelvic floor dysfunction in individuals with chronic respiratory conditions: a scoping review <i>Adele Russell, Physiotherapy Student, Queen Margaret University</i>
14.10	Comfort Break	
14.20	The acceptability of CBT for autistic adults: Perceptions from autistic adults and clinicians <i>Chloe Kennedy, Psychology PhD Student, Edinburgh Napier University</i>	What factors do non-medical prescribers perceive as influencing their antibiotic prescribing decisions across health care settings? A qualitative evidence synthesis <i>Rachel Orr, Advanced Nurse Practitioner, NHS Borders/Edinburgh Napier University</i>

Masterclasses	
Breakout Room A	Breakout Room B
<i>Chair: Dr Natalie Weir, Lecturer/Community Pharmacist, University of Strathclyde</i>	<i>Chair: Andy Peters, AHP Strategic Lead Research & Development, NHS Lothian</i>
14.50	<p>Principles and the practice of writing effective grant and fellowship applications <i>Professor Brian Williams, Deputy Principal (Academic & Research), University of the Highlands & Islands</i></p> <p>Moving research into practice: how to design and implement 'useful' research in healthcare <i>Dr Jenna Breckenridge, Senior Lecturer, University of Dundee/ Lead for Allied Health Professions Research, NHS Tayside</i></p>
Panel Discussion	
15.30	<p>What does a research career look like? Panel Chair: <i>Dr Stephanie Valentin, Associate Professor of Physiotherapy, Edinburgh Napier University</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early Career Researcher – <i>Kerry Jack, Senior Charge Nurse, Paediatric Critical Care, NHS Lothian</i> • Mid-Career Researcher – <i>Dr Gearóid Brennan, Lead Psychiatric Liaison Nurse & NRS Career Research Fellow, NHS Lothian</i> • Established Career Researcher – <i>Prof Kay Cooper, Associate Dean Research & Clinical Professor Allied Health Professions, Robert Gordon University & NHS Grampian</i>
16.00	<p>Closing Remarks <i>Dr Heather Cameron, Director of Allied Health Professions, NHS Lothian</i></p>
16.05	Close of session