

RCN Scotland briefing Mental Health and Wellbeing in Primary Care

As the largest staffing group in the NHS mental health workforce, nursing staff play a key role in the delivery of services, including in primary care settings, whether they are, for example, mental health nurses embedded in GP practices or those working in the free standing

To date, Scottish government workforce planning, including that contained in the NHS Recovery Plan, has been poor. RCN Scotland was therefore disappointed that the promised National Workforce Strategy for Health and Social Care, which was due to be published last year has now been delayed. And we continue to push for the implementation of the Health and Care (Staffing) (Scotland) Act 2019 to ensure that we have safe staffing levels in all health services, including primary care mental health services.

Further information