RCN Representation Summary Report

		Royal College of Nursing
Name of Forum	W e Heah	Date of Report 1 st September 2023
Professional Lead	Carmel Bagness	Forum Chair
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- 1. NHSE/I Menopause Programme Clinical Reference group The Menopause Clinical Reference Group advises on the clinical pathway development and the education and training programmes on behalf of the Menopause Programme Steering Group. The intent is to ensure that expert clinicians within NHS England and NHS Improvement, as well as key external clinical stakeholders are able to input into the pathways and the education and training programmes at every stage of the peri/menopause/and postmenopausal phase and ensure alignment with national programmes and priorities. RCN have been key members of this group, with ongoing contributions over the last year.
- 2. Delivering on decriminalising abortion This was a workshop by a coalition of abortion care organisations to consider the current legislation around termination of pregnancy across the UK, and consider how the coalition can move this agenda forwards.
- 3. World Endometriosis Congress Invited speaker on the role of the CNS in endometriosis, which was published by RCN.
- 4. Lunch and learn Menopause two members of the forum have contributed to a number of branch menopause session to support members with raising awareness and understanding the impact of menopause on individuals and colleagues.
- 5. National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome & Death (NCEPOD) Endometriosis Study. Member has position of case reviewer on the peer review panel for the National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome & Death (NCEPOD) Endometriosis Study. This retrospective study has been commissioned by the Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) to review the quality of care provided to patients with a diagnosis of endometriosis.
- 6. **Lead Shaping Abortion for Change SACHA project -** Opportunity for researchers to share key findings from the SACHA study highlighting areas for policy change:
 - Patient feedback was that largely the experience of abortion care was positive, they valued early access to treatment, good information, choice, and be

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What has been the impact or difference made as a result of the member representation.