



The National Centre for Creative Health (NCCH) provides the Secretariat for the SIG. The Nursing SIG is co-lead by Marion Lynch & Vicky Ridgeway, & the SIG works in partnership with the Foundation of Nursing Studies (FoNS).



## **Nursing Special Interest Group (SIG) on Creative Health Terms of Reference (ToR)**

### **Our Vision**

- To advocate and educate for Creative Health as an essential part of modern nursing

### **Our Aims**

- Educate nurses, nursing associates and nursing students on the benefits of creative health for self and others.
- Educate creative health practitioners on the roles and ways of knowing in nursing that align with creative health.
- Develop a strategy to enable nurses to have opportunities to learn and practice creative health.
- Develop a forum where ideas and innovations can be nurtured and developed.
- Transform culture and practice: embed person-centred, holistic care supported by creative education, supervision, and reflection.
- Advance scholarship and practice: build evidence and align strategies across all scopes of practice, the NMC Code, neighbourhood health models, social prescribing, community health workers, Core25 approaches, and ICB Creative Health strategies.
- Our Objectives

### **Our Objectives**

We will work collectively to:

1. Equip nurses with advanced theoretical and applied knowledge of Creative Health.
2. Enable nurses to lead Creative Health strategies within community, acute, and global health contexts.
3. Embed the four pillars of advanced practice (practice, education, leadership, research) into nursing education and professional development.
4. Strengthen cultural, relational, and reflective capacities of nurses.
5. Develop professional skills and culture to work in unison with the Creative Health movement, embedding creativity into the core of nursing.

### **Year One Priorities (2025–2026)**

- Recruit 20 active members and 80 more interested members via NCCH systems.
- Pilot integration of creative approaches in FoNS programmes.
- Host an Education Summit, Exhibition of Creativity, and Celebration Event in partnership with nursing and arts stakeholders.
- Develop a year-long on line programme of learning, including a range of Webinars
- Launch an online network map of Creative Health projects.
- Provide a briefing to the RCN and DHSC, following on from NCCH contribution to Nursing and Midwifery Strategy Consultation, and to APPG on SIG role/outputs.

### **Membership**

Open to all nurses and nursing students, with collaboration welcomed from Creative Health professionals. We are an inclusive group – whether you're already using creativity in your practice or just curious to learn more. Together, we can promote wellbeing, lead culture change, and build a nursing profession that is creative, compassionate, and fit for the future.

For more information visit <https://ncch.org.uk/nursing-sig-for-creative-health>