

| Volunteering Opportunity | Nursing Focus Groups - Readiness for Clinical Practice |
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| Number of opportunities | 12 |

Volunteering opportunity

The School of Health Sciences are leading a research study. We would like to evaluate the BSc and MSc Nursing courses and learn about your feelings of your **readiness to graduate and move into clinical practice**. To do this we would like to hold a series of focus groups with Nursing alumni, graduating in 2021 and 2022, to hear your thoughts on how ready you felt to move into clinical practice following graduation.

In September 2019, the University of Nottingham amended our curriculum to trial new standards for the Nursing and Midwifery Council, in particular to amend the amount of hours nursing students are required to spend in clinical practice placement. The focus group outcomes will contribute to the wider research, which is taking place with students and staff. The research outcomes will be reported to the Nursing and Midwifery Council to inform the national evaluation.

When will the focus groups take place?

We will arrange focus groups to take place between February-May. Focus groups for alumni volunteers can be arranged online via Microsoft Teams (maximum 4 people for approximately 45 minutes).

The focus groups will be arranged at a time convenient to participants. We have flexibility to run these focus groups online in the mornings, afternoons, or evenings, responding to participants' availability.

Registration process

If you are interested in taking part, please complete the expression of Interest form before 30 April, which will allow appropriate time to arrange all focus groups: <u>Expression of Interest form</u>

The Researcher (Laura Williams) will be in touch with you directly to arrange your focus group session, following an expression of interest.

If you have any questions, please email Sarah Greaves (Volunteering and Advocacy Manager - Faculties of Science and Medicine and Health Sciences) at <u>Sarah.greaves@nottingham.ac.uk</u>