

Parkinson's UK Excellence Network Time critical medication campaign update

As a nurse working directly with people with Parkinson's, you're at the forefront of delivering outstanding healthcare. Read on to discover the latest developments from the Parkinson's UK Excellence Network Time Critical Medication (TCM) programme, ensuring people with Parkinson's get their medications on time, every time in hospital.

NHS Action on time critical medication

More than 100 NHS organisations have pledged to improve the delivery of time critical Parkinson's medication. 30% have progressed and are taking action.

Our interactive pledge map shows which organisations have pledged, and which are actively benchmarking against the 10 recommendations on time critical medication. You can find out how your organisation can get involved on our webpage too.

[View the NHS action on time critical medication: interactive map.](#)

[Read our 10 time critical medication recommendations for your hospital.](#)

Unlock the value of timely medication: Parkinson's UK time critical medication dashboard

Parkinson's UK commissioned the development of a data dashboard to evaluate the benefits of improving time critical medication management for people with Parkinson's in hospitals. The dashboard will help hospitals in England, Scotland and Wales address the time critical medication issue by estimating the direct cost of delayed or missed medication doses and the impact on patient outcomes.

[Explore the dashboard.](#)

New time critical medication resources for health professionals

A host of new resources are now available to improve the delivery of time critical medications for people with Parkinson's:

- **Patient stories: Gareth and Karen, in their own words.** Gareth and Karen share very contrasting experiences of being able to control their own Parkinson's medication in hospital. [Watch their short films; the latest in our "In their own words" series.](#)
- **Best practice case study: Audit and awareness.** A case study detailing how a staff nurse's dissertation led to an increase in Parkinson's medication being delivered on time on a ward at Hexham General Hospital. [Read the case study.](#)
- **Royal College of Nursing (RCN) endorsement.** We're pleased to announce that our Time critical medication in Parkinson's: guide for nurse in charge or ward staff has recently received endorsement from the RCN. [Explore the guide here.](#)
- **Time critical medication blog.** Read the latest blog by Patsy Cotton, Chair of the Parkinson's UK Time critical medication steering group for information about the Royal College of Emergency Medicine Quality Improvement Programme and much more! [Read the blog.](#)

Parkinson's nurses play a pivotal role in educating and supporting their colleagues in hospitals and community settings to deliver medications on time. We hope that these resources will be helpful to you in your work.

Further information

Explore our [time critical medication tools and resources](#).

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