

***Graduate Mental Health Nurses (RPNs) needed for
Irish research study protecting the future of Mental
Health Nursing in Ireland***

***Have you completed a four-year Mental Health Nursing Degree Programme in the
Republic of Ireland?***

And

***Are you in your first 24 months post registration with NMBI as a mental health nurse (RPN)
having worked in Ireland for six months after registration with NMBI?***

If so, we want to hear from you about your experiences.

***Please click [here](#) or on the below link to get involved in protecting the future of Mental
Health Nursing in Ireland by completing this anonymous questionnaire.***

https://nursingandmidwifery.fra1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ahp7GDLppNEzsZ8

***Following submission of the questionnaire you will also be invited to complete an
interview.***



RE: Distribution of Study advertisement to registered mental health nurses (RPNS) for the purposes of inviting participation in the following PhD study.

Dear Colleagues

Fionnuala Killoury is a PhD student who is conducting a Mixed Methods study in the School of Nursing and Midwifery Trinity College Dublin. This study will explore the transition experiences, career intentions and strategies that will enhance the retention of graduate mental health nurses. Graduate mental health nurses (RPNS) play a significant role in the provision of mental health care in Ireland today and they are now expected to take on a vast range of duties and responsibilities. Graduate nurses' transition experiences have a direct and significant impact on career goals and on retention and they are poorly understood in Ireland given the lack of research available in this field.

A robust mental health nursing workforce is a critical component of an efficient and effective mental health service, and this research will help to make sure that we have a plan in place to make sure we meet the needs of the people who use the mental health services.

Please find below an advertisement for this two-phase study. Phase one entails completing a survey and on completion participants may opt in to take part in an interview with the researcher, Fionnuala Killoury. Potential participants will self-select into the study. Potential participants may access the Participant Information Leaflet and the survey from the link in the advertisement below or [HERE](#).

Should you require any further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Fionnuala Killoury at killourf@tcd.ie or 0877830256.

Yours sincerely

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