

## Welcome to the Survey

Thank you very much for participating in this survey.

The purpose of this survey is to find out how intentional rounding is implemented in all acute NHS trusts in England. This is a national study funded by the NIHR Health Service and Delivery Research programme, and has been approved by the National Research Ethics Service Committee South East Coast - Surrey (Ref: 14/LO/1977). All responses to this survey will be kept strictly confidential and will only be seen by members of the research team. Names and details of trusts and participants will not be published in any reports or articles, but will be used to help us to review the range of responses received.

If you have any questions about the survey, please don't hesitate to contact a member of the research team:

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Please answer all of the questions as accurately as possible. Please note that some questions require a response, this is for appropriate question filtering.

The survey should take approximately 10-20 minutes to complete.

Thank you very much for your time.

1. The Francis Inquiry made key recommendations to strengthen local systems to deliver safe, compassionate, patient-centred care. One of the Inquiry's recommendations states that "Regular interaction and engagement between nurses and patients and those close to them should be systematised through regular ward rounds" (Vol III, p.1610) and refers to the use of a regular ward round as suggested by the Prime Minister in January 2012.

Following this announcement, the majority of NHS trusts have introduced 'intentional rounding', a structured process whereby nurses in hospitals carry out regular checks, usually hourly, with individual patients using a standardised protocol to address issues of positioning, pain, personal needs and placement of items.

Is this your understanding of intentional rounding?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Please add any other comments below:

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\* 2. Has intentional rounding been implemented in any form within your Trust?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

\* 3. Is intentional rounding in the process of being implemented or due to be implemented in your Trust in the future?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

Please state approximate date of when intentional rounding will start (if known):

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4. For what reason(s) will intentional rounding not be implemented?

5. Does your Trust use the name 'intentional rounding' to refer to this type of regular (hourly/two hourly) nursing round?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If no, please state the alternative name you use:

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6. When did you implement intentional rounding within your Trust?

- ☐ Less than 1 year ago
- ☐ 1-2 years ago
- ☐ More than 2, up to 4 years ago
- ☐ More than 4 years ago

Please give approximate date of when intentional rounding started:

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7. Will intentional rounding occur on all wards within your Trust?

- ☐ Yes, on all wards
- ☐ No, on specific wards
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ Other (please specify):



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8. Does intentional rounding occur on all wards within your Trust?

- ☐ Yes, on all wards
- ☐ No, on specific wards
- ☐ Other (please specify):

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9. Please select which wards will use intentional rounding:

- ☐ Adult inpatient wards
- ☐ Children's Wards
- ☐ Maternity wards
- ☐ Emergency Department wards
- ☐ Acute Admissions wards
- ☐ Day case wards
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ Other (please specify):

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- ☐ Other (please specify):

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11. For what reason will intentional rounding not occur on all wards within your Trust?

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12. For what reason does intentional rounding not occur on all wards within your Trust?

\* 13. Are there any plans to implement intentional rounding on all wards within your Trust in the future?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ I don't know

14. Are there any plans to implement intentional rounding on all wards within your Trust in the future?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ I don't know

\* 15. On the wards where intentional rounding will be implemented, will it occur for all patients?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not decided yet

If no, which patients will be excluded from intentional rounds?

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\* 16. On the wards where intentional rounding has been implemented, does it occur for all patients?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If no, which patients are excluded from intentional rounds?

17. Are there any plans to implement intentional rounding with all patients within your Trust in the future?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ I don't know

18. Are there any plans to implement intentional rounding with all patients within your Trust in the future?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ I don't know

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19. How often will intentional rounding be conducted within your Trust **during the daytime?**

- ☐ Hourly on all wards
- ☐ Two-hourly on all wards
- ☐ Hourly for some wards, two-hourly for other wards
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ Other (please specify):

\* 20. How often is intentional rounding conducted within your Trust **during the daytime?**

- ☐ Hourly on all wards
- ☐ Two-hourly on all wards
- ☐ Hourly for some wards, two-hourly for other wards
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ Other (please specify):

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21. How often will intentional rounding be conducted within your Trust **during the night time?**

- ☐ Hourly on all wards
- ☐ Two-hourly on all wards
- ☐ Hourly for some wards, two-hourly for other wards
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ Other (please specify):

22. How often is intentional rounding conducted within your Trust **during the night time?**

- ☐ Hourly on all wards
- ☐ Two-hourly on all wards
- ☐ Hourly for some wards, two-hourly for other wards
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ Other (please specify):

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23. Which members of staff conduct the rounds?

- ☐ Qualified/registered nursing staff only
- ☐ Unqualified/unregistered nursing support staff only
- ☐ Mixture of qualified/registered and unqualified/unregistered nursing support staff
- ☐ Other (please state e.g. non-nursing staff):



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- ☐ Qualified/registered nursing staff only
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- ☐ Mixture of qualified/registered and unqualified/unregistered nursing support staff
- ☐ Not decided yet
- ☐ Other (please state e.g. non-nursing staff):

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25. Were there any interruptions to the implementation of intentional rounding within your Trust e.g. did you stop conducting intentional rounds for any periods of time?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, please give details including approximate dates where intentional rounding did not occur:

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26. Do wards have flexibility in what they include in their intentional rounds?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, please state what flexibility they have?

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27. Within your Trust do staff document that rounding has occurred?

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Yes

No

28. How is it documented that intentional rounding took place? (Select all that apply)

- ☐ Paper documentation at the bedside
- ☐ Paper documentation at the nurses' station
- ☐ Electronic documentation at the bedside e.g. mobile device
- ☐ Electronic documentation at the nurses' station
- ☐ Mixture of paper and electronic documentation
- ☐ Other (please state):

29. How often is information from intentional rounds documented?

- ☐ At the end of a shift
- ☐ After every round
- ☐ Not documented
- ☐ Other (please state):

30. Is intentional rounding audited by your Trust?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

If yes, please give details of how/when this information is audited:

31. Have you seen any of the following changes as a result of implementing intentional rounding within your Trust?

	Positive impact	Negative impact	No difference
Patient experience	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Patient safety	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Carer/relative experience	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Organisation of care	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Staff experience	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Accountability	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please explain any other changes you have seen:



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32. Is there a structured protocol, procedure or script in place for use during intentional rounds?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If no, what happens during the process of intentional rounding instead?

33. What aspects of care are included as part of the intentional round, and on what proportion of wards?

	On all wards	On some of the wards	On none of the wards
Checking vital signs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Placement of patient items	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Positioning	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Pain assessment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Personal needs e.g. toileting	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Environmental safety checks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Checking of pressure areas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Checking of IV lines and infusions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Checking of fluid balance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Interactions taken place with relatives/carers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please state below)

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Other (please state below):

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34. Will there be a structured protocol, procedure or script in place for use during intentional rounds?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not decided yet

If no, what will happen during the process of intentional rounding instead?

35. What aspects of care will be included as part of the intentional round, and on what proportion of wards?

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Other (please state below)

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36. Does your Trust provide educational opportunities to prepare staff for intentional rounding? (Select as many that apply):

- ☐ Yes, when intentional rounding was introduced
- ☐ Yes, it is a required part of orientation for new staff
- ☐ Yes, it is an on-going requirement for all staff
- ☐ Sometimes, because it is locally arranged
- ☐ No planned programme
- ☐ I don't know
- ☐ Other (please state):

37. Will your Trust provide educational opportunities to prepare staff for intentional rounding? (Select as many that apply):

- ☐ Yes, when intentional rounding is introduced
- ☐ Yes, it will be a required part of orientation for new staff
- ☐ Yes, it will be an on-going requirement for all staff
- ☐ Sometimes, because it will be locally arranged
- ☐ No planned programme
- ☐ I don't know
- ☐ Other (please state):

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38. Is there anything else you would like to say about intentional rounding within your Trust?

## Demographic Data

**Please note that all information will be kept confidential and will not be used in any reports or articles.**

**We require this information only to enable us to help review the range of responses received.**

39. Name:

40. Job title:

\* 41. Name of Trust:

42. Type of Trust:

- ☐ Acute Trust
- ☐ Community Trust
- ☐ Integrated Acute and Community Trust
- ☐ Specialty Trust
- ☐ Other (please specify):

43. Approximately how many beds are there within your Trust?

44. How many wards/units are there in your Trust?

45. Approximately how many of your wards have the following structure:

Predominantly Nightingale wards i.e. the majority of beds in one large ward area?

Predominantly smaller  
bays e.g. 4-6 beds in each

bay?

Predominantly single side  
rooms?



46. Would you be happy to discuss your Trust potentially being involved in the next stage of the research?  
(There is no obligation whatever your response)

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I don't know

47. Would you like to talk to us further about your experiences of intentional rounding? If so, please include your contact details below:

## Contact details of team members

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Should you have any questions or comments, please contact one of the research team members:

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