

Call for Papers

The **Journal of Clinical Nursing** is calling for papers on **Fundamental Care – the last evidence-free zone?** Fundamental care, despite being essential for every human being is poorly defined and inadequately described and studied. It has a powerful influence on quality of life, wellbeing and recovery from illness and it is something that nurses, other health professionals and society need to understand and value. This special edition will highlight the issues around fundamental care from both patient and professional perspectives, in particular addressing the gaps in our understanding and knowledge.

In this special edition we welcome: theoretical papers on the nature of fundamental care and nursing; original research around fundamental care or discreet aspects of care; review papers; exploration of methodological issues; discursive papers addressing fundamental care experienced by diverse groups in different settings; safety and quality implications around neglecting or not prioritizing fundamental care; policy initiatives around fundamental care; workforce issues and fundamental care such as skill mix, roles, and leadership styles; issues around how fundamental care is taught and, innovation in care and service delivery which demonstrate an impact on enabling services to be sensitive to providing high quality fundamental care.

The deadline for submissions is 28th February 2017. For more information please see our [Author Guidelines](#) or contact the Editorial Office at JCN@wiley.com.

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