# Transforming specialist community public health nursing practice: evidence, research, evaluation and translation

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SCPHN Health visitors, school nurses, occupational health nurses and SCPHN public health nurses locate, critique, use, generate and apply evidence, data and information that seeks to promote health and prevent ill health and disability from life choices, environmental factors, non-communicable diseases, trauma or other health conditions. They evaluate public health interventions to better understand what works and what may need to change and why. They propose new and innovative ideas and concepts to inform and improve the health and wellbeing of people across the life course and apply an evidence-based approach to optimise public health programmes and interventions.

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At the point of registration, the registered SCPHN HV, SN, OHN and SCPHN PHN will be able to:

B.1assess the impact and benefits of local and national health and other policies on the health and wellbeing of people, communities and populations

B.2identify, evaluate and proficiently use multiple sources of evidence and research relevant to people, communities and populations to inform specialist community public health nursing practice

B.3identify gaps in research, evidence and policy that impact on public health nursing practice and influence how to address these

B.4utilise and effectively participate in new areas of research across interdisciplinary and interagency teams related to public health priorities and interventions

B.5use reliable data, statistics and informatics to lead on and support policies and programmes that improve the health outcomes of people, communities and populations

B.6identify where insufficient information and data is available to inform public health priorities and national intervention strategies and how this may be addressed by refining data sets or in recognising the need for further study

B.7critically appraise epidemiological research and demonstrate its use in evidence-based specialist public health nursing practice

B.8synthesise and apply knowledge from research, evaluation, audit and global innovation that leads to improvements in the health of people, communities and populations and addresses health inequalities

B.9apply the evidence base theory and principles of public health and nursing practice to support innovative approaches to influence people's motivation, choices and behaviours

B.10critically appraise the evidence that informs new innovations in public health programmes, including genomics, and evaluate early success measures and impact on population health outcomes

B.11share outcomes and lessons learned from audit, research and evaluation in specialist public health nursing practice locally and nationally and across sectors through professional and peer reviewed processes