

UK DCTN Nursing Prize

"Following my involvement in the Softened water eczema trial as a Research Nurse I was privileged to be awarded the UK DCTN Nursing Prize in 2010. I joined the SpR fellowship prize winners and spent three days at the Dermatology Trials Network base in Nottingham. The trial managers were all very friendly and welcoming and gave us an insight into all the current trials running at the network. We gained useful and practical information into running randomised controlled trials from conception to completion. We also spent a half day with Prof Hywel Williams developing our critical appraisal skills. This has led to an ongoing learning programme organised by the Professor who provides targeted reading for critical appraisal followed by a telephone conference discussion. Winning the prize has given me a unique opportunity to develop my critical appraisal skills and an in depth knowledge of the research process, which I am now able to use within my own work environment.

I would recommend any nurse working within dermatology to apply for this very unique and prestigious award."

Jane Grundy

