



Wireless Monitor Trialled in UK



An adhesive patch, which wirelessly transmits data on heart rate, breathing and body temperature, is being trialled by the National Health Service, reports BBC News. The patch addresses the issue of deterioration that can occur between routine observations.

While the system, developed by a UK-based firm, could ease staffing pressures and potentially be used in the home, the professional nursing body in the UK, the Royal College of Nursing, warns that it should not be a substitute for adequate staffing levels. In the UK, the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence has just published [Guidance on safe nurse staffing of adult wards](#) in acute hospitals.

The BBC reports that a private hospital in the UK, whose patients are mostly in for routine surgery, has been testing the battery-powered patch. The wireless device issues an alert if any readings fall outside preset levels.

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