

INTRODUCTION INTO HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

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Introduction:

In this presentation we will look into the fascinating journey of a paediatric nurse practice in the United Kingdom, we will also be exploring the challenges and the advancements that have shaped the field into what it is today.

We will be talking about what has improved since the 1948 until nowadays.

What is a Paediatric nurse

A paediatrician is a register nurse who is specialised in taking care of children and adolescents. Paediatric nurses are trained to support the young patients physical, emotional and development they also work closely with the patients family to give them support and guidance.



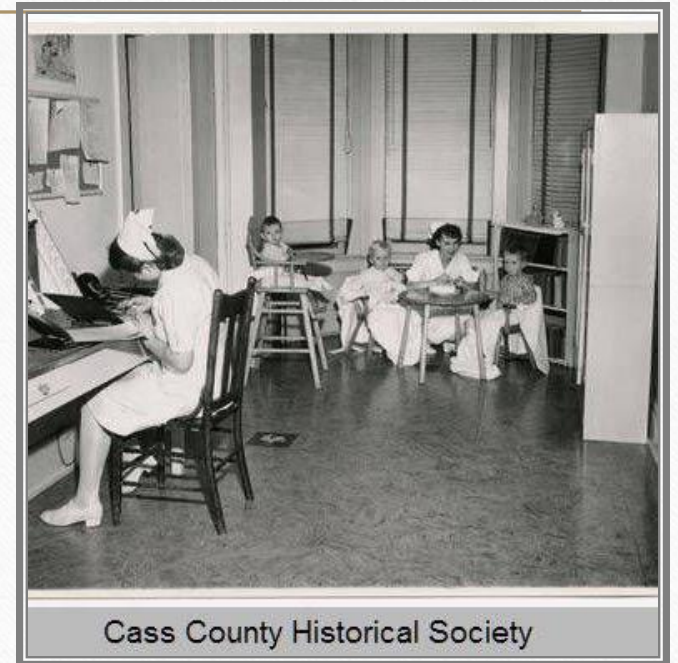
What is the role of a Paediatric nurse in the health sector

The role of a paediatrician is to take care of children, from when they were born until their adolescent stage. They work with other health care practitioners and together they monitor their patients progress , they administer medication ,also they help and educate families understand about their children health. (CarerExplorer,2024)

1948's

Paediatricians were an essential part of the health care in England, especially with the start of the NHS. These were the technologies they used in 1948 : stethoscope used to listen to the heart and lungs , thermometer used to measure body temperature, sphygmomanometer used to measure blood pressure among others, while the equipment was limited these were essential to provide good medical care for the children.

(history of the NHS, n.d).



(St. Luke's first paediatric unit, Fargo, N.D. 1948)

1960's

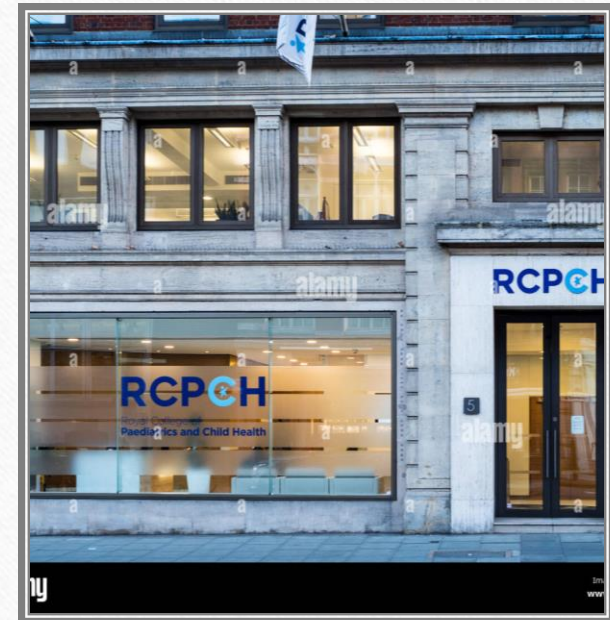
During the 1960 was when the improvements in the neonatal care there was the introduction of new treatments for childhood diseases, there was also the improvement of vaccinations programs.



(Alamy,2024)

1980's

The British paediatric association and the paediatric section of the royal society of medicine came together and formed the royal college of paediatrics and child health (RCPCH, 2016).

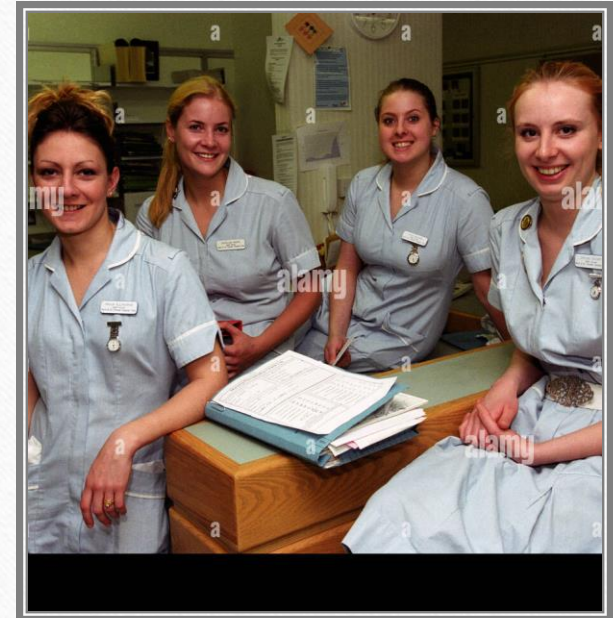


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2000's

In the 2000's an increase recognition of the importance of addressing mental health issues in children and adolescent.

There was a growing attention on patient centred care this mainly focused on involving children and their families in decision on making and providing support.

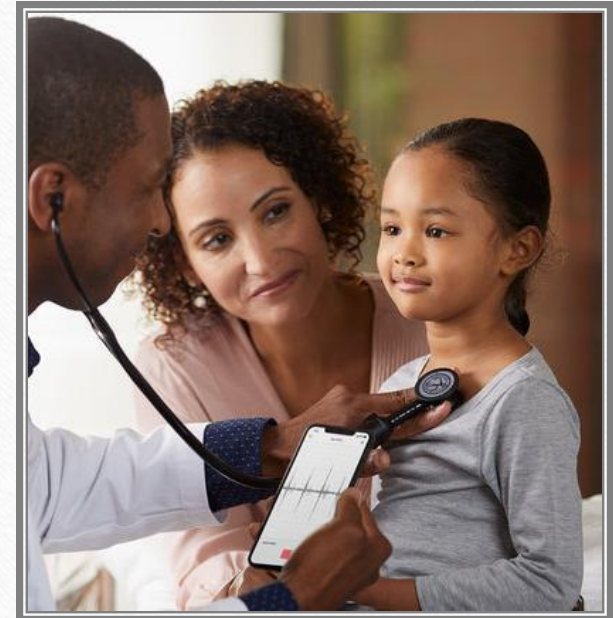


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Present

Nowadays paediatric have evolved a lot for example now telemedicine enables consultations, virtual follow up appointments and monitoring of paediatric patients improving access to care and convenience to families.

Paediatricians now are committed to provide, family centred care , advancing research and innovation to improve the health and wellbeing of children and adolescent.



(medisave,2024)

Conclusion

Overall since the 1948 until the present day paediatricians have evolved a lot from when they were using the basic equipment's , from when they opened a college for other people to learn, they started to introduce new skills to include the patients and their families. Although there were a lot of challenges in between they remained providing good quality of care for their patients.

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