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Dear Colleague

RE: Research Mapping Exercise

The development work on the Centre for Transformation in Health and Well-being has begun and will continue through this year. The workforce planning and development will continue to progress whilst this development is on-going and opportunities for collaborative research will be explored.

There is much excellent research of international caliber being carried out here in the North West but a review of the public health system has shown that knowledge of this is not always sufficiently shared across organisations and professionals.

The Centre and the NW NIHR Research Design Service have funded a joint venture, mapping recent, current and planned research activity with a view to highlighting areas of expertise and innovation and areas with potential for future collaboration. This information will be made available to wide range of public health practitioners via their websites and through the Public Health Observatory, public health portal.

This exercise will only be successful if academic institutions respond and as much information as possible is gathered. Hence, I would be grateful if you would give some time to completion of the online questionnaire, details of which are attached to this email.

With many thanks



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