Getting started in research: moving from thoughts to action

Wednesday 29th October 2014. 9.30am – 4.30pm
The Place Hotel
Manchester

Background

For healthcare professionals working in the NHS it can be challenging to identify the options and opportunities available to increase your research skills and expertise. This workshop will provide participants with the opportunity to explore some of the options and, as importantly, utilise a range of exercises to move you from thinking about getting started in research to developing a tangible course of action to make this a reality.

Who is the workshop for?

Nurses, allied health professions, midwives and other members of the non-medical workforce working in the NHS in the North West with an interest in developing their clinical research skills and expertise. You may be thinking about doing a formal course of study e.g. a Masters in Research or a PhD or you may be interested in exploring what other options are open to you.

Aims

This workshop will

- Increase your understanding of the opportunities to develop research skills and expertise
- Provide an opportunity to develop a clear course of action
- Develop your understanding of sources of funding and resources available to support you

Programme

The day will include presentations from a range of speakers including: Prof. Gunn Grande (course leader for NIHR Masters in Clinical Research, University of Manchester) & Dr Mal Palin NIHR Trainee co-ordinating centre Leeds. There will also be a range of interactive sessions designed to assist you in moving forward.

Facilitators

**Dr Lynne Goodacre:** As an occupational therapist Lynne has worked in the NHS, Voluntary Sector and academia. She undertook her PhD on a part-time basis with the Department of Sociology Newcastle University. Whilst working in academia she has led a range of postgraduate taught programmes and supervised Masters and PhD students. She leads the *Releasing Potential Programme* within NHS R&D NW which is designed to support NHS based early career researchers.

**Dr Will Medd:** Will has a PhD in Sociology and is a Certified Professional Co-Active coach. As well as supervising PhD students for nearly 10 years, he has managed several high impact research projects and has over 15 years of experience facilitating workshops for a wider range of organisations.

Places are limited for this free workshop so early registration is advised. For application forms and programmes please contact:

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