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The North West People in Research Forum

The North West People in Research Forum (NWPiRF) is a new organisation which aims to support patient and public involvement (PPI) and public engagement (PE) in health research in the North West. It aims to: support researchers to involve and engage patients and the public; support patients and members of the public who are, or wish to become, involved in health research; share learning about PPI and PE in research; form a link between researchers and patients/public and raise awareness about health research in the region and opportunities to get involved. For more information contact [Marisha Palm](#).

Initially the NWPiRF is supported by the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Research Design Service for the North West (NIHR RDS NW) and the North West Strategic Health Authority.

The NIHR RDS NW's links with the NWPiRF, along with its knowledgeable advisers, enables it to provide excellent PPI advice as part of its advisory service.

To access the NIHR RDS NW advice service, download the [NIHR RDS NW advice request form here](#).

Funding announcements

HTA programme – Clinical Evaluation and Trials
Closing date: 27 July 2011

The NIHR Health Assessment (HTA) Programme invites research proposals concerning people with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. Proposals relating to smoking cessation are welcome at any time but are not the focus of this funding round.

[Further information...](#)

NIHR Public Health Research programme: call for proposals for commissioned research
Closing date: 22 August 2011

Applicants are invited to submit proposals on the following commissioning brief: 11/3004: Road Safety: The Public Health Impact of Decreasing the amount of Street Lighting.

[Further information...](#)

NIHR Research for Patient Benefit (NIHR RfPB) – competition 16

Closing date: 23 September 2011

Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) is a national, response-mode programme established in 2006 to generate high quality research for the benefit of users of the NHS in England.

[Further information...](#)

NIHR Programme Development Grants – competition 6:

Closing date: 10 October 2011

Programme Development Grants are designed to increase the rate and number of successful applications for a full Programme Grant.

[Further information...](#)

Events and training

Greater Manchester, Lancashire and South Cumbria Medicines for Children Research Network Annual Stakeholder Meeting

1 July 2011 - Manchester

GMLC will be holding its next stakeholder meeting (formerly conference) on the afternoon of 1st July at the Manchester Conference Centre (located close to Piccadilly Station in the centre of Manchester).

[Further information...](#)

Ageing and Disability Research: Creating Impact Locally
7 July 2011 - Manchester

This workshop will explore how to tailor research so that it is of benefit to local service deliverers and how research can help influence service delivery in local authorities and other organisations.

[Further information...](#)

2011 UKCRF Conference: Delivering success through collaboration

7 - 8 July 2011 - London

This annual event forms the cornerstone of engagement with all professional and staff groups including CRF Medical Directors, Managers, Education leads, Nursing and Admin staff.

[Further information...](#)

Approaching funding deadlines

- [NIHR i4i](#) - 17 June 2011 - [details](#).
- [DH](#) PRP Health Technology Assessment programme - 23 June 2011 - [details](#).
- [NIHR](#) HTA - 27 July 2011 - [details](#).