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NIHR Programme Grants for Applied Research

Programme Grants for Applied Research funds ambitious programmes of applied health research in areas that are considered to be of high priority or need for the NHS. Awards of up to £2 million are available for a period of between three to five years.

Funded programmes are typically an interrelated group of high quality research projects that require a multidisciplinary approach – including input from clinical, qualitative and behavioural sciences backgrounds, as well as health economics and statistics, to ensure that research objectives can be met and presented as programmes of coherently linked studies.

The track record of both the lead applicant and the assembled team is crucial; the successful research team will have an excellent reputation in relevant areas and must be well balanced, with input from both the NHS and academia. The lead applicant will also need to demonstrate that they can lead on a substantial programme of work.

Programme Grants Competition 11 is now open. For further information and to apply, please see www.pgfar.nihr.ac.uk. The closing date for applications is 17 October 2011. NIHR RDS NW will provide advice in designing your Programme Grants proposal.

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

Funding announcements

NIHR Public Health Research programme - researcher led call. Closing date: 15 August 2011

The PHR programme evaluates public health interventions, providing new knowledge on the benefits, costs, acceptability and wider impacts of non-NHS interventions intended to improve the health of the public and reduce inequalities in health. The scope of the programme is multi-disciplinary and broad, covering a range of interventions that improve public health.

[Further information...](#)

NIHR Public Health Research programme - 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 Senior Investigators - annual competition

Closing date: 05 August 2011

The NIHR fifth annual competition for Senior Investigators has opened. Senior Investigators are fundamental to the NIHR Faculty and include some of the country's foremost researchers, making the most outstanding contribution to clinical and applied health and social care research.

[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...](#)

Events and training

Developing proposals for the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Research for Patient Benefit (NIHR RfPB) programme: a support programme for applicants
15 Sept, 25th Oct and 7th Dec 2011 - Manchester

The NIHR Research Design Service for the North West (NIHR RDS NW) (www.rds-nw.nihr.ac.uk/) is providing a programme to support people applying to the NIHR RfPB programme for research funding.

[Further information...](#)

Exploiting Existing Data For Health Research
9 - 11 September 2011 - Fife, Scotland

Designed for researchers and practitioners interested in record linkage and the use of routine health data in their research.

[Further information...](#)

Clinical Trials Methodology Conference 2011
4 - 5 October 2011 - Bristol

This interactive meeting has been sponsored by the MRC Network of Hubs for Trials Methodology Research and it will provide opportunities to discuss issues and innovation in trials methodology research.

[Further information...](#)

Approaching funding deadlines

- [DH PRP - 12 July 2011 - details](#).
- [NIHR EME - 27 July 2011 - details](#).
- [NIHR HTA - 27 July 2011 - details](#).
- [NIHR PHR - 22 August 2011 - details](#).