

## e-bulletin

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### The i4i Invention for Innovation programme, new training initiative

The i4i Invention for Innovation programme is launching a new training initiative to help researchers seeking funding or investment to develop early-stage medical technologies to develop their business skills and construct well-crafted applications and business plans.

The i4i Life Sciences Accelerator programme is an intensive two-part residential course at comprising a mixture of presentations, workshops and break-out sessions led by experts with direct experience of owning, growing and managing medtech businesses. The programme will also enable participants to plan and develop content for funding applications and business plans.

For further information on the programme, please see the i4i web pages: <http://www.ccf.nihr.ac.uk/i4i/Pages/i4iAcceleratorProg.aspx>.

The first programme will take place from 31 October to 2 November and from 14 to 15 November. The cost of the programme is £1750 per participant (plus VAT).

**The NIHR RDS NW can provide advice on your i4i application, download the [NIHR RDS NW advice request form here](#).**

### Funding announcements

#### Health Services Research Programme

**Closing date: 18 October 2011**

The Health Services Research (HSR) programme funds research to improve the quality, effectiveness and accessibility of the NHS, and is now accepting applications to its researcher-led workstream.

[Further information...](#)

#### NIHR Public Health Research Programme

**Closing date: 31 October 2011**

The NIHR Public Health Research (PHR) programme invites outline research proposals in the following areas: Interventions targeting children to break the cycle of domestic abuse: scoping study, Interventions to prevent children and young people from becoming victims or perpetrators of domestic abuse in later life: scoping study, Sexual health promotion delivered by digital media: scoping study, Interventions for preventing uptake of smoking in school aged children.

[Further information...](#)

#### NIHR Clinical Lectureships

**Closing date: 31 March 2012**

NIHR Clinical Lectureships are aimed at those who are advanced in their specialty training, have completed a research doctorate or equivalent and show outstanding potential for continuing a career in academic medicine. The duration of a Clinical Lectureship is for a maximum of 4 years or until CCT is reached, whichever is sooner. Alongside clinical training, CLs will be able to further develop their academic skills and will be encouraged to apply for funding to support further postdoctoral or educationalist training.

[Further information...](#)

### Events and training

#### NRES Research Training Day

**27 October 2011 - Manchester**

This course is organised by the NHS National Patient Safety Agency. It is free of charge but booking is required. Please email using the link below.

[Further information...](#)

#### The funding landscape for infectious disease researchers' workshop

**09 December 2011 - London**

This one-day workshop on what money is out there and how to get it with talks from the major contributors to UK infection research, including the Medical Research Council, Wellcome Foundation, the National Institute of Health Research, European Commission and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

[Further information...](#)

#### INVOLVE: Membership Information Meeting

**13 October 2011 - Manchester**

To support recruitment, INVOLVE are holding information meetings where you can meet some current Working Group members, find out more about being a member and get advice on how to apply. INVOLVE promotes public involvement in research, in order to improve the way that research is prioritised, commissioned, undertaken, communicated and used.

[Further information...](#)

### Approaching funding deadlines

- [NIHR](#) Research Professorships - **21 September 2011** - [details](#).
- [NIHR](#) RfPB - **23 September 2011** - [details](#).
- [NIHR](#) HTA - **06 October 2011** - [details](#).