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i4i Invention for Innovation programme is launching its third call

The i4i Invention for Innovation programme is launching its third call for early and late-stage product development awards on 1 November. The competition is open from 1 November to 7 December (5pm).

i4i is positioned to transform the translation of healthcare technologies for increased patient benefit through:

- Guided progression of innovative medical product prototypes, and
- Provision of business advice to the medical technology professionals it funds.

There is a single route of entry into the i4i programme. Invited full applications will be assigned to one of two Selection Panels (Early-stage and Late-stage) for assessment.

The NIHR RDS NW advice service is able to offer research design advice when developing a proposal for the i4i programme.

To access the NIHR RDS NW advice service, download the NIHR RDS NW advice request form here.

Funding opportunities

NIHR RfPB competition 17
Closing date: 20 January 2012

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 HTA commissioned call – outline deadline
Closing date: 09 February 2012

The HTA programme supports research that is immediately useful to clinical practice and policy/decision makers. HTA research is undertaken when there is evidence to show the technology is efficacious but there is uncertainty around its clinical and cost effectiveness in a real life NHS setting in comparison to the current best alternative(s). There may also be uncertainty around its place in the existing care pathway.
Further information…

NIHR Programme Grants for Applied Research
Closing date: 19 March 2012

Competition 12 launches on 5th December 2011.

NIHR Programme Grants for Applied Research (PGfAR) were established in 2006 to produce independent research findings that will have practical application for the benefit of patients and the NHS in the relatively near future.
Further information…

NIHR Clinical Lectureships
Closing date: 31 March 2012

NIHR Clinical Lectureships (CLs) are specialty training posts that incorporate academic training. NIHR Clinical Lecturers (CLs) spend 50% of their time undertaking specialist clinical training and 50% undertaking research or educationalist training.
Further information…

Events and training

Social Networks and the Patient Work of Chronic Illness Management
15 November 2011 - Preston

Professor Rogers will describe her programme of research, and will explore its implications for professional involvement and for health services.
Further information…

The ethical issues arising from research involving adolescents
29 November 2011 - Liverpool

Learning Outcomes: To have a clearer understanding of the ethical issues raised in this research; to discuss current guidance and agenda regarding research with adolescents; to be familiar with examples of difficulties raised when doing research with adolescents; to have experience of hearing firsthand from adolescents involved in, or commenting upon research.
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…

Approaching funding deadlines

- NIHR EME researcher-led - **15 November 2011** - details.
- NIHR HTA Rapid trials… - outline - **18 November 2011** - details.
- NIHR PHR researcher-led - outline - **21 November 2011** - details.