

## e-bulletin

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### Lancashire Clinical Trials Unit – launch event – 12 June 2014, 9.30 am to 3.30 pm

This will be held on at the University of Central Lancashire (UCLan) and will showcase some of the trials and associated work of collaborators, as well as outlining plans for the future.

Keynote speaker: Professor Peter Sandercock (Edinburgh). Other invited speakers include: Professor Paula Williamson (Liverpool), Dr Marcia Holstad (Atlanta, USA), Professor Matthew Peak (Alder Hey), Dr Kate Radford (Nottingham), Brin Helliwell (Patient and Public Involvement), Jacqui Pirmohamed (Clinical Research Network: North West Coast).

The event will be held at UCLan's Foster Lecture Theatre Four, Foster Building, UCLan, Corporation Street, Preston, PR1 2HE. For enquiries about the event or to register for a free complimentary place please email [Simone Finley](mailto:Simone.Finley@uclan.ac.uk) or phone 01772 893692.

### OK to ask 2014

On International Clinical Trials Day (ICTD) 2014 on 20 May, the National Institute for Health Research and its NHS partners will be promoting the fact that it's 'OK to ask' about clinical research.

They want everybody to get involved; patients, medical professionals and the public, to support the campaign so that people might benefit from research. Please visit the [OK to ask website](http://www.oktoask.org) for more information.

For free RDS NW research design advice, download the [RDS NW advice request form here](#).

### Funding opportunities

#### [Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation](#) – researcher-led and commissioned

Closing date: 17 June 2014.

#### [Policy Research Programme](#)

Closing date: 2 July 2014.

#### [Health Technology Assessment](#) – researcher-led

Closing date: 16 July 2014.

#### [Health Technology Assessment](#) – commissioned

Closing date: 16 August 2014.

#### [Public Health Research](#) – commissioned

Closing date: 1 September 2014.

#### [NIHR Clinical Lectureships 2014](#)

Closing date: 31 January 2015.

More event and funding information on our [website here](#).

### Events and training

#### [i4i Life Sciences Accelerator programme](#)

2 to 3 June 2014 – Henley-on-Thames.

#### [Annual R&D Management Forum in association with Health Research Authority](#)

9 to 10 June 2014 – Birmingham.

#### [The Research for Patient Benefit \(RfPB\) research programme seminar](#)

16 June 2014 – Manchester.

#### [Health Research Authority: Researcher Training Day](#)

17 June 2014 – Manchester.

### Approaching funding deadlines

- [HS&DR](#) (stage 1) – 15 May 2014
- [NIHR Themed call](#) – various – 21 May 2014
- [EME](#) – commissioned – 3 June 2014