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If you have a research idea/question and need advice on appropriate funding, developing the funding application and the research design and/or help finding collaborators with the appropriate skills and knowledge to ensure the funding application has the most appropriate research team. Then the RDS NW may be able to help.

The RDS NW advice service, which is free, will help anyone develop and design high quality research proposals with the intention of submitting to national, peer-reviewed funding competitions for applied health or social care research. This includes NIHR funding programmes but can include funding programmes from other funders including charities. We are also able to offer independent critical reads of proposals.

RDS NW has access to expert advisers in the North West and advisers across the Research Design Service in England. This provides you with access to a range of expertise, including advice on the practicality and feasibility of research, study design and methodology (quantitative and qualitative), statistics, and economics. We can also refer you to other sources of expert advice within the applied health and social care research system.

To access the RDS NW advice service, please use the link below.

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

Funding opportunities

[NIHR Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation \(EME\) Programme - researcher-led](#)

Closing date: 10 November 2015.

[EME Programme - commissioned](#)

Closing date: 10 November 2015.

[Department of Health Policy Research Programme](#)

Closing date: 17 November 2015.

[NIHR Health Technology Assessment \(HTA\) Programme - Efficient Study Designs](#)

Closing date: 18 November 2015.

[Department of Health Policy Research Programme](#)

Closing date: 24 November 2015.

[NIHR Public Health Research \(PHR\) Programme - commissioned](#)

Closing date: 30 November 2015.

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

Events and training

[NHS R&D North West - webinar series - keep up the energy](#)

12 October 2015 - Online.

[E-trials in the North West: Research Meeting](#)

19 October 2015 - Manchester.

[Critical Appraisal Skills Programme \(CASP\)](#)

16 to 18 November 2015 - Oxford.

[3rd International Clinical Trials Methodology Conference](#)

16 to 17 November 2015 - Glasgow.

[Clinical trials in small populations](#)

30 November to 1 December 2015 - London.

Approaching funding deadlines

[NIHR PDG](#) - 13 October 2015.

[DH PRP](#) - 20 October 2015.

[Bowel and Cancer Research](#) - 23 October 2015.

[NIHR PHR](#) - researcher-led - 9 November 2015.

Please always check with the event organiser or funder for up-to-date information