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## The story of RfPB

The Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) Programme launched its first call in July 2006 with the aim of funding research projects in health and social care to improve, expand and strengthen the way that healthcare is delivered for patients, the public and the NHS.

To date the RfPB Programme has provided a platform for research success nationwide, enabling teams to answer the questions that matter at the frontline of health and social care. Explore the puzzle below to find out about some of these, and hear from the Programme Director, Professor Sue Ziebland, as she discusses the future of the programme...[read the full story on the NIHR website here](#).

## NIHR Mental Health Themed call webinar

The NIHR 2018 Themed Call is 'Promotion of good mental health and the prevention or treatment of mental ill health' across the whole life course. For more information visit the [Themed Call website here](#).

A webinar to support applications to the Mental Health Themed Call will be held on **Tuesday 1 May 2018, at 12:00 noon**. [Register your interest here](#).

## Help the NIHR improve its website

The NIHR is seeking views on its website in order to improve it. Let the NIHR know your views by filling out the [short survey here](#) by 16 March 2018.

## HRA eLearning modules

The NHS Health Research Authority (HRA) have a growing programme of free eLearning modules designed to support the research community. The eLearning modules cover topics ranging from research involving human tissue to confidentiality and information governance considerations. To find out more and to access the modules visit the [HRA eLearning website here](#).

## 1:1 support and advice from RDS NW

Why not use RDS NW for free and confidential 1:1 advice on your funding application in applied health and social care research. [Request advice here](#).

### Funding opportunities

#### [NIHR Health Services and Delivery Research \(HS&DR\) Programme - researcher-led and themed call](#)

Closing date - 26 April 2018.

#### [NIHR HS&DR Programme - commissioned and researcher-led](#)

Closing date - 10 May 2018.

#### [NIHR Health Technology Assessment \(HTA\) Programme - commissioned](#)

Closing date - 24 May 2018.

#### [NIHR HTA Programme - commissioned](#)

Closing date - 19 July 2018.

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

Closing date - 24 July 2018.

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

### Events

#### [Institute for Women's Health 13th Annual Conference](#)

17 April 2018 - London.

#### [2018 Annual NHS R&D Forum](#)

14 and 15 May 2018 - Newport, Wales.

#### [RDS NW Proposal Development event](#)

Save-the-date: 28 June 2018 - Manchester

### Approaching funding deadlines

[NIHR PGfAR](#) – 4 April 2018.

[NIHR i4i - Challenge Award](#) – 4 April 2018.

[NIHR PHR](#) - themed call - 10 April 2018.

[NIHR PRP](#) - 17 April 2018.

[NIHR HTA](#) - themed/researcher-led - 25 April 2018.

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