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Need help with your Social Care Research funding application?

If you have a research idea in the area of social care or you are currently working on a social care research funding application, why not [apply for free advice from the Research Design Service North West](#) to develop and design a high quality research proposal?

We can provide advice on any aspect of producing a research funding application including: help with formulating the research question, finding appropriate funding, finding collaborators, research methods, public involvement, and structuring and writing the application. If you require a critical read, we can do that too. Find out more [about the RDS NW here](#).



Latest RDS blog

Top Tips for Climbing the Intellectual Property Ladder

Intellectual Property (IP): What is it and why does it matter? Identifying where Intellectual Property exists is the first step, as unless it is identified, it cannot be captured, protected and exploited.

[Read the latest RDS blog to help guide you through IP.](#)



Pre-doctoral Clinical Academic Fellowship Chair's Report, now available

Following the completion of the first HEE/NIHR ICA Programme Pre-doctoral Clinical Academic Fellowship (PCAF) competition, the Round 1 [Chair's Report is now available to view online](#).

The Chair's Report contains a summary of Round 1 and advice for prospective applicants.

NIHR blog: Standing on the shoulders of giants: the next generation of stroke researchers

Find out about how an NIHR Academic Clinical Fellowship has helped Jatinder Minhas, progress his work in stroke research. [Read the blog here](#).

Funding opportunities

[NIHR Invention for Innovation \(i4i\) programme - Product Development Awards](#)

Closing date - 12 December 2018.

[NIHR Public Health Research \(PHR\) Programme - rapid funding scheme](#)

Closing date - 31 December 2018.

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

Closing date - 10 January 2019.

[NIHR Health Technology Assessment \(HTA\) Programme - themed call and researcher-led](#)

Closing date - 16 January 2019.

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

Events

[NIHR CRN North West Coast: Building a Research Community - One Year On](#)

22 November 2018 - Warrington.

[Health and Care Data Conference: Improving Lives Through Research](#)

3 December 2018 - Leeds.

[NIHR School for Social Care Research: Annual conference 2019 - save-the-date](#)

11 April 2019 - London.

Approaching funding deadlines

[NIHR RfPB](#) - 21 November 2018.

[NIHR PGfAR](#) - 28 November 2018.

[NIHR PDG](#) - 28 November 2018.

[NIHR HTA](#) - 5 December 2018.

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