

Dear all

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**Latest funding calls and other opportunities**

**NIHR EME Programme – Researcher-led workstream**

**Details:** The Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation Programme is accepting stage 1 applications to their researcher-led workstream:

- [19/100 Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation Programme Researcher-led](#)

All primary research projects are expected to establish a programme appointed Study Steering Committee and it is important that you read the [TSC/SSC Guidance](#) before completing your application. Costs incurred by this committee should be included in the budget as appropriate.

**Deadline for proposals:** 1pm on 27th November 2019

**Find out more [here](#)**

**British Scoliosis Research Foundation – Research grants**

**Details:** The BSRF Research Grant is open to appropriately qualified professionals such as **scientists, clinicians, and allied health professionals (nurses, psychologists or physiotherapists)**. All applications will be considered, however, applicants are advised to submit their proposal under one of the following three headings:

- Small exploratory grant
- New investigation grant
- Major research grant



**Deadline for proposals:** 31st January 2020

Find out more [here](#)

**RDS West Midlands** can offer free expert support and advice on all aspects of designing and developing applications for NIHR funding – please complete our online [Request for Support](#) form to gain access to our advice.

## NIHR Funding deadlines calendar

For an overview of the year's NIHR calls and ongoing opportunities, please view the online calendar: <https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding-and-support/current-funding-opportunities/>

## News

### New NIHR centre

Work has begun on developing a single NIHR centre that will lead public involvement and research dissemination for NIHR from April 2020. The new centre will look to improve research relevance for all by combining the strengths of current NIHR approaches to research dissemination and to patient and public involvement, engagement and participation (PPIE). The new centre will enhance the ways that patients, carers, and the public can partner with the NIHR to advance research. This will enable health and care professionals, researchers, policy makers and the public make better use of the broad range of research evidence that the NIHR generates.

Find out more [here](#)

### Introduction to Association of British HealthTech Industries

Health technology (HealthTech) is a key partner to the NHS, enabling improved efficiencies and effectiveness across the system. Investment in the latest devices, digitisation and diagnostic technologies can bring significant benefits to patient care, cutting waiting times and alleviating workforce burdens. In this blog, the NIHR introduces the Association of British HealthTech Industries, which represents the industry here in the UK.

Find out more [here](#)

### Training bursaries available from the NCRM

The National Centre for Research Methods (NCRM) are offering bursaries (for up to £750 each) to enable researchers in the UK social science community to update their research skills. For 2019 the NCRM will accept applications for method related courses that take place before the 31st October 2019.

Find out more [here](#)

## Training and Events

### Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) social care funding roadshow events

Our [Research Design Service \(RDS\)](#) is running regional events which will offer an opportunity to gain a greater understanding of RfSC funding. Attendance at these events is FREE and refreshments will be provided.

Researchers currently developing, or considering developing, a proposal for submission to RfSC for funding are invited to take advantage of a one-to-one appointment to discuss their proposed research idea or study.

**When and where:**

Location	Date	Registration and contacts
Bristol	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	<a href="#">Bristol registration form</a> <a href="mailto:rds.sw@nihr.ac.uk">rds.sw@nihr.ac.uk</a> 01392 726724
Manchester	8 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	<a href="#">Manchester registration form</a> <a href="mailto:rds.nw@nihr.ac.uk">rds.nw@nihr.ac.uk</a> 01524 593209
London	14 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	<a href="#">London registration form</a> <a href="mailto:info@rdslondon.co.uk">info@rdslondon.co.uk</a> 020 7848 6782
York	17 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	<a href="#">York registration form</a> <a href="mailto:rds-yh@sheffield.ac.uk">rds-yh@sheffield.ac.uk</a> 0114 222 0828
Birmingham	22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2019	<a href="#">Birmingham registration form (places are limited please register soon)</a> <a href="mailto:rds@contacts.bham.ac.uk">rds@contacts.bham.ac.uk</a> 0121 414 8533

**Support available from Clinical Research Network West Midlands**

Please note that support and advice is available from the CRN WM Study Support Service Early Contact Team for any study that is potentially eligible or applying for CRN Support. This includes providing cost attribution advice to support researchers in completing their grant applications and authorising the Schedule of Events Cost Attribution Tool (SoECAT\*), navigating the approvals process, accessing training provided by the Network, identifying and supporting the management of excess treatment costs, and can highlight further support within the Network to support study set up and delivery to time and target.

\*Please find attached information on our SoECAT Clinics which provides dates to access support open to anyone working on a specific study.

For more information or support. Please contact Kirsty Hunter or Ellen Edwards.  
email: [studysupport.crnwestmidlands@nihr.ac.uk](mailto:studysupport.crnwestmidlands@nihr.ac.uk)

**Applying for NIHR funding? Access free advice and support from the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Research Design Service West Midlands**

Our multi-disciplinary team can offer advice on the key ingredients in a successful health or social care research proposal, including:

- Statistics and health economics
- Qualitative methodology
- Support on involving patients and public in research, identified by the NIHR as a critical component in funding applications
- Peer review of draft grant applications before submission.

**Find out more** about how RDS West Midlands could help you and your team at <http://www.rds-wm.nihr.ac.uk/>

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