

Dear all

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Latest funding calls and other opportunities

Cancer Research UK: Clinical Trial Award

Details: CRUK Clinical Trial Awards support interventional clinical trials of cancer treatment (including systemic treatment, radiotherapy and surgery) with the aim of improving outcome.

The types of studies that fit this scheme are typically:

- Phase 1a/2 dose finding trials testing safety, tolerability and preliminary efficacy (including novel combinations of therapies and radiotherapy, and novel indications)
- Phase 1b/2 or phase 2 trials testing the viability of larger trials, including the ability to recruit and/or to explore tolerability or efficacy of treatments
- Window of opportunity studies
- Phase 2/3 or phase 3 trials to investigate the efficacy, effectiveness and tolerability of interventions with the aim of improving survival.

Deadline for proposals: 19th September 2019

Find out more [here](#)

Cancer Research UK: Experimental Medicine Award

Details: The CRUK Experimental Medicine Award funds highly ambitious translational research conducted in association with a clinical trial or well-designed clinical study. The types of studies that fit this scheme are typically investigator-led studies for highly ambitious translational research conducted in association with a clinical trial or well-designed clinical study with the objective of optimising treatment and maximising patient benefit.

Deadline for proposals: 19th September 2019

Find out more [here](#)

Cancer Research UK: Prospective Sample Collection Awards

Details: CRUK Prospective Sample Collection Awards provide support for the prospective collection of samples within a clinical trial. The scheme accepts applications that offer a unique opportunity to collect samples within a clinical trial either where specific research question(s) cannot yet be generated, or where specific questions have been generated but the funding to carry out that work has been or will be obtained elsewhere. A unique opportunity might include sample collections within rare cancers or rare subtypes, those with associated distinct longitudinal data, or collections in cancers of unmet need.

Deadline for proposals: 5th December 2019

Find out more [here](#)

Cancer Research UK: Biomarker Project Awards

Details: CRUK Biomarker Project Awards provide funding for biomarker assay development, validation and qualification where there is a clear line of sight to clinical implementation.

This scheme accepts applications for biomarker assay development, validation and qualification where there is a clear line of sight to clinical implementation.

- All types of biomarkers will be considered, including predisposition, screening, diagnostic, prognostic, predictive, pharmacological and surrogate response markers
- Proposals can use invasive or imaging techniques.
- Biosamples or images can be collected as part of the proposal or accessed from existing sample/data sets.
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Deadline for proposals: 5th December 2019

Find out more [here](#)

Burdett Trust for Nursing: Small grants programme

Details: The Burdett Trust for Nursing was established in 2002 with the aim of making charitable grants to support the nursing contribution to healthcare. The Trustees target their grants at projects that are nurse-led and that empower nurses to make significant improvements to the patient care environment. The small grants programme provides small grants to projects that are nurse-led and focussed on supporting the nursing contribution to healthcare and focussed on improving care for patients. Projects may involve clinical care, environment of care, social care, leadership or education.

Deadline for proposals: Not specified

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/>

Training and Events

The King's Fund: The big population health conversation

What: This free-to-attend virtual conference focuses beyond health and social care to areas where there is untapped potential for local and national action to support healthier lives. It will explore how a wide range of organisations – across local government, the voluntary sector, the private sector and local communities – have it within their power to improve people's health.

When: 09:00-16:00 on 18th September 2019

Where: Online

Cost: Free

Find out more [here](#)

The King's Fund: Enhanced health and wellbeing in care homes: doing things differently

What: Described as 'islands of the old', independent care homes often find themselves isolated from the communities they serve, while caring for large numbers of some of the oldest and most frail citizens in our society. While reliant on the NHS and local authorities to support the health and wellbeing of their residents, it is not widely understood how best these organisations can work together.

In this event, The King's Fund will explore innovative new ways to improve services and the health and wellbeing of residents in care homes and other forms of housing with care.

When: 08:30-17:00 on 19th September 2019

Where: The King's Fund, London, W1G 0AN

Cost:

- NHS, local government and third sector organisations: £200 + VAT
- Small and medium-sized enterprises: £335 +VAT
- Commercial or profit-making organisations: £450 +VAT

Find out more [here](#)

The King's Fund: Community is the best medicine

What: The aim of this event is to explore the role of communities in health and care. We will bring together health and care professionals, community organisations, innovators, commissioners, researchers and policy-makers interested in how to create sustainable, community-based health and care.

When: 08:00-17:00 on 8th October 2019

Where: The King's Fund, London, W1G 0AN

Cost:

- NHS, local government and third sector organisations: £200 + VAT
- Small and medium-sized enterprises: £335 +VAT
- Commercial or profit-making organisations: £450 +VAT

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The King's Fund: Emerging technologies: what does the future of health care look like?

What: From artificial intelligence (AI) to data-driven insights, technological innovations are increasingly being sought for the health care system, carrying the promise of improvements in disease management, quality of life and ways of delivering care. What does this future look like and what impact will it have on those involved in health care delivery?

This event will explore topical issues at the intersection of AI, data and health care. The

speakers will separate myth from reality and give practical examples of how emerging technologies might be used.

When: 08:30-17:00 on 16th October 2019

Where: The King's Fund, London, W1G 0AN

Cost:

- NHS, local government and third sector organisations: £200 + VAT
- Small and medium-sized enterprises: £335 +VAT
- Commercial or profit-making organisations: £450 +VAT

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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.

For more information or support. Please contact Kirsty Hunter or Ellen Edwards.
email: 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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