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Latest funding calls and other opportunities

NIHR Pre-Call Announcement: Cystic fibrosis

Details: The NIHR is interested in funding high-quality, ambitious research applications addressing the important questions in Cystic Fibrosis with a call for research likely to be advertised in December 2019 with the following NIHR programmes participating:

- Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation (EME)
- Health Services and Delivery Research (HS&DR)
- Health Technology Assessment (HTA)
- Invention for Innovation (i4i)
- Programme Grants for Applied Research (PGfAR)
- Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB)

While this funding opportunity is likely to be advertised in December 2019, please note this may be subject to change.

Find out more [here](#)
NIHR Health technology Assessment – New commissioned calls

Details: The Health Technology Assessment Programme funds research about the clinical and cost effectiveness and broader impact of healthcare treatments and tests for those who plan, provide or receive care from NHS and social care services. HTA research is undertaken where some evidence already exists to show that a technology can be effective and this needs to be compared to the current standard intervention to see which works best.

The HTA Programme is accepting stage 1 applications to their commissioned workstream for the following primary research topics:

- 19/73 The use of mucoactive agents for patients with acute respiratory failure in critical care
- 19/74 Neurostimulation for phantom limb pain

**Deadline for proposals for the above two projects: 25th September 2019**

- 19/75 Stem cell transplant for adults with severe sickle cell disease
- 19/76 Antipsychotics for anorexia nervosa
- 19/77 Monitoring and follow-up for adults with hearing loss
- 19/78 Ambulatory oxygen therapy in idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis
- 19/79 Idiopathic intracranial hypertension
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- 19/83 Children and young people at risk of not being immunised
- 19/84 Surgical treatment for severe stable slipped capital femoral epiphysis (SCFE) in children
- 19/85 Anti-reflux medication to reduce stricture formation following oesophageal atresia repair
- 19/86 Thromboprophylaxis in pregnancy and after delivery
- 19/87 Night-time only bracing for scoliosis

**Deadline for proposals for the above 14 projects: 4th December 2019**

- 19/69 Clinical and cost effectiveness of alternative catheter design at preventing catheter-associated urinary tract infection
- 19/70 Cervical spine immobilisation following blunt trauma
- 19/71 OCT-angiography for the detection of neovascular age-related macular degeneration

**Deadline for proposals for the above 14 projects: 22nd January 2020**

The HTA Programme is accepting stage 1 applications to their commissioned workstream for the following evidence synthesis topics

- 19/88 Ablative and non-invasive therapies for hepatocellular carcinoma

**Deadline for the above: 4th December 2019**

- 19/72 Pain relief strategies for dressing change in chronic wounds

**Deadline for the above: 22nd January 2019**

Find out more [here](#)
Daphne Jackson Trust British Heart Foundation Fellowship

Details: The Daphne Jackson Trust is dedicated to returning scientists, technologists, engineers and mathematicians (STEM) to their careers following a break taken for family, caring or health reasons. Daphne Jackson Fellowships offer STEM professionals wishing to return to a research career after a break of two or more years, the opportunity to balance an individually tailored retraining programme with a challenging research project in a suitably supportive environment.

Applications are invited for up to two British Heart Foundation Daphne Jackson Fellowships to be held at any UK University or research institute. The Fellowships are intended for individuals who want to return to an area of cardiovascular research after a career break of two years or more. Applicants should have a PhD and preferably postdoctoral experience.

The Fellowships will be part-time for a fixed term of three years.

Deadline for proposals: 23rd September 2019
Find out more [here](#)

Cancer Research UK: Senior Cancer Research Fellowship

Details: CRUK Senior Cancer Research Fellowships support group leaders to further develop their own research programme and build their reputation as a world-leader in their cancer research field.

Applications are considered from any area of the CRUK funding remit, with the exception of clinical trials and drug discovery.

Deadline for proposals: 20th August 2019
Find out more [here](#)

Cancer Research UK: Career Development Fellowship

Details: CRUK Career Development Fellowships support new group leaders who do not have a salaried independent position to establish their own independent research group. Applications are considered from any area of the CRUK funding remit, with the exception of clinical trials and drug discovery.

Deadline for proposals: 20th August 2019
Find out more [here](#)

Cancer Research UK: Career Establishment Award

Details: CRUK Career Establishment Awards support new group leaders who have a salaried independent position to establish their own independent research group. Applications are considered from any area of our funding remit, with the exception of clinical trials and drug discovery.

Deadline for proposals: 20th August 2019
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/](https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding-and-support/current-funding-opportunities/)

News

**NIHR launches its new website**
The NIHR have launched their new website, which is built around its key audience groups. NIHR have worked closely with users to ensure that the site provides clear user journeys to enable users to find the information they need more quickly.

The section on the Research Design Service can be found [here](https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding-and-support/current-funding-opportunities/)

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**Patient and Public Involvement**

**Health Research Authority: New best practice principles for public involvement**
The HRA have launched new guidelines on how to involve patients and the public well in research, with the introduction of four principles for best practice in public involvement. The new webpages also link to a variety of resources.

Find out more [here](https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding-and-support/current-funding-opportunities/)

**Health Research Authority: New Participant Identification Centres model agreements**
As part of the new UK Local Information Packs, research organisations can benefit from the HRA’s model agreements for NHS or HSC Participant Identification Centres - known as PICs. Model Participant Identification Centre (PIC) agreements have now been published and are available on [IRAS Help](https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding-and-support/current-funding-opportunities/) alongside guidance.

Find out more [here](https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding-and-support/current-funding-opportunities/)

**Training and Events**

**University of Birmingham: Sense and Nonsense’ EAHMH History of Medicine Conference**

**What:** Institute of Applied Health Research are hosting a 3 day ‘Sense and Nonsense’ EAHMH History of Medicine Conference. Professor Jonathan Reinarz is the Director of this bi-annual event.

Programme and details are on the EAHMH website link here [https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/research/activity/mds/centres/eahmh/conferences/index.aspx](https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/research/activity/mds/centres/eahmh/conferences/index.aspx)

See link below to online shop.
[Pay and Register for EAHMH Conference 2019](https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/research/activity/mds/centres/eahmh/conferences/index.aspx)

**When:** 27th-30th August 2019
Where: Edgbaston Park Hotel and Conference centre

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

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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