



### Research for patient benefit

Competition 35 of the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) programme is now open. Applications are invited for research proposals that are concerned with the day-to-day practice of health service staff, and which have the potential to have an impact on the health or wellbeing of patients and users of the NHS. RfPB encourages proposals which address a wide range of health service issues and challenges.

[Apply by 21 March 2018](#)

### Funded PhDs

Ulster University is currently advertising a number of funded opportunities to undertake PhD studies in nursing and health care at the university. See their website for further general information and details of the specific nursing projects that are available.

[Apply by 19 February 2018](#)

### Spreading innovation



### RCN education conference

Do you want to know how nursing associates are impacting on nursing education and practice? Amongst the conference highlights, taking place from 20-21 March in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, is a nursing associate question and answer panel.

[Discover more](#)

### Research methodology

A new report from The King's Fund, commissioned on behalf of the Academic Health Science Networks (AHSN), charts the journeys of eight innovations from creation to widespread use.

[Read the report](#)

The third Patient Reported Outcomes Measures (PROMs) research conference takes place on 20 June 2018 in Birmingham. Abstracts from clinicians, researchers and patient partners are invited.

[Submit by 28 February 2018](#)

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Want to know more about National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) funding programmes? Have a look at the following information events, run by the NIHR Research Design Service.

- [Bid development workshop](#), 27 February 2018, Cambridge.
- [Public involvement workshop](#), 28 February 2018, Leicester.
- [Developing funding proposals in applied health and social care: NIHR funding programmes](#), 1 March 2018, Liverpool (waiting list).
- [Research advice clinic](#), 2 March 2018, Welford.
- [Writing competitive applications for health research funding](#), 19 March 2018, Leicester.

Alternatively, see what's available at your local [NIHR Research Design Service](#) – there are ten regional centres across England.

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### **Breast cancer funding**

Applications for project grants from Breast Cancer Now are open. They fund research that supports improvements in the prevention, detection and treatment of all forms of breast cancer, and welcome applications from all disciplines.

[Apply by 2 March 2018](#)

### **Parkinson's funding**

Applications for senior research fellowships and clinician researcher training fellowships from Parkinson's UK are now being invited. They are keen to receive applications from researchers working across all fields of Parkinson's research.

[Apply by 7 March 2018](#)

### **Infection prevention and control**

### **Save the date**

The Healthcare Infection Society are currently inviting applications for various research funding opportunities.

[Apply by 1 March 2018](#)

The Health and Care Research Wales support and delivery annual conference takes place on 15 March 2018 in Cardiff.

[Find out more](#)

### Celebrating nursing

The RCNi Nurse Awards 2018 are now open. Covering a wide range of specialties such as learning disability nursing, child health, mental health nursing and nursing older people, these awards are widely regarded as the highest accolade for nurses in the UK. One of the awards is excellence in cancer research.

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### Research impact

The NIHR Dissemination Centre (DC) are inviting expressions of interest to join their external advisory group. They produce summaries of the most significant and actionable new research evidence and ensure they reach audiences of all kinds: clinicians, managers, commissioners and patients.

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