

## March 2019 - Opportunities for involvement in research

### ***What is public involvement in research?***

Public involvement in research is research done ‘with’ or ‘by’ members of the public rather than ‘to’, ‘about’ or ‘for’ them (NIHR INVOLVE).

NIHR INVOLVE have produced some information for people what want to get involved in research. You can find our more here:

<https://www.invo.org.uk/find-out-more/what-is-public-involvement-in-research-2/>

### ***Opportunity for involvement***

We are inviting you to consider your involvement the following opportunities:

#### **1) ‘Dragon’s Den’ event – 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019 - Shaping research ideas from early and mid-career researchers**

If you would like to be involved, please contact Magdalena Skrybant (details below) by **Wednesday 03 April 2019**.

Dragon’s Den	Friendly ‘dragons’ are required to provide feedback to early to mid-career researchers at the University Birmingham as they prepare their applications for National Institute of Health Research (NIHR) Fellowship Programmes.						
Involvement Opportunity	8 researchers will ‘pitch’ their research ideas to a panel of public contributors. Research ideas will be in their early stages of development and will cover a range of health-related topics.  We’re looking for enthusiastic public contributors from different backgrounds and with different experiences to challenge the researchers (in a supportive way!) and play a part in shaping their research ideas.						
Commitment involved	Attendance at the Dragon’s Den event at the University of Birmingham. <table border="1" data-bbox="549 1512 1386 1626"> <tr> <td>Date</td> <td>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Time</td> <td>12:30 – 15:15</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Location</td> <td>Main Campus, University of Birmingham</td> </tr> </table> Refreshments will be provided.	Date	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2019	Time	12:30 – 15:15	Location	Main Campus, University of Birmingham
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Expenses/Honoraria	Public contributors will be able to claim reasonable travel expenses in full.  Public contributors will be offered an honoraria of £50.00 (this can be paid in high street vouchers, if desired).						
Further information	Please contact us to find out more about this opportunity. Name: Magdalena Skrybant, PPI/E Lead, NIHR CLAHRC West Midlands Telephone: 0121 414 6026 Email: m.t.skrybant@bham.ac.uk						

**2) Centre for Leadership in Health and Social Care – 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> April 2019 - Your chance to shape the future work and research of the Centre**

If you would like to be involved, please contact Daisy King (details below) by **31 March 2019**.

Involvement Opportunity	<p>The Centre for Leadership in Health and Social Care is a new Centre in the College of Medical and Dental Sciences, University of Birmingham. The Centre was launched on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018, with opening presentations from Simon Stevens, Chief Executive of the NHS and Anita Charlesworth, Director of Research and Economics at the Health Foundation</p> <p>The Centre brings together staff from the Colleges of Medical and Dental Sciences and Social Sciences at the University of Birmingham and is committed to ensuring that members of the public influence the work of the Centre and how the work is carried out.</p> <p>Two sessions are planned with public contributors to follow on from public involvement sessions that took place in December 2018. The purpose of the events is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• provide an overview of the Centre and what has happened since it was launched in December 2018;</li> <li>• gain public views as to the purpose of public involvement in the Centre and how best this could be organised.</li> </ul>									
Commitment involved	<p>In response to public feedback, we have planned two sessions. There are opportunities to contribute through a telephone conference or through attending a face-to-face session at the University of Birmingham. Both sessions will last for up to 1.5 hours.</p> <p>Details are below:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="549 1451 1385 1632"> <thead> <tr> <th>Date</th> <th>Time</th> <th>Location</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Monday 8 April</td> <td>16:00 - 17:30</td> <td>Telephone conference</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tuesday 9 April</td> <td>11:00 – 12:30</td> <td>Room 221, Murray Learning Centre, University of Birmingham.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Date	Time	Location	Monday 8 April	16:00 - 17:30	Telephone conference	Tuesday 9 April	11:00 – 12:30	Room 221, Murray Learning Centre, University of Birmingham.
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Expenses/Honoraria	<p>All reasonable expenses will be reimbursed in full. People attending the workshop will be offered an honoraria of £30.</p>									
Further information	<p>Please contact Daisy King, Project Officer at the Centre for Health and Social Care Leadership to find out more about this opportunity. Name: Daisy King Telephone: 0121 414 8459 Email: <a href="mailto:d.e.king@bham.ac.uk">d.e.king@bham.ac.uk</a></p>									

	Website: <a href="https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/social-policy/departments/health-services-management-centre/research/health-and-social-care-leadership/index.aspx">https://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/social-policy/departments/health-services-management-centre/research/health-and-social-care-leadership/index.aspx</a>
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### 3) Join regional and national committees for the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR)

The deadline for applications is 1pm, **Friday 26 April 2019**.

Involvement Opportunity	<p>The National Institute for Health research involves patients and members of the public in the work of the advisory committees that prioritise and recommend health and social care research applications for funding.</p> <p>Two of the national coordinating centres, <b>Central Commissioning Facility (CCF)</b> and <b>NIHR Evaluation, Trials and Studies Coordinating Centre (NETSCC)</b> are currently looking for members of the public to join a number of national and regional committees.</p>
Commitment involved	This opportunity involves reviewing bids for funding and attendance at Committee meetings.
Further information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You can visit the website for more information: <a href="https://www.nihr.ac.uk/patients-and-public/opportunities/new-public-member-recruitment-2019.htm">https://www.nihr.ac.uk/patients-and-public/opportunities/new-public-member-recruitment-2019.htm</a></li> <li>A PDF copy of the advert is also available as a <b>download</b>. The deadline for applications is <b>1pm on Friday 26 April 2019</b></li> <li>Shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend an interview. Please check the <b>Information Pack and Application Form</b> for full details, including interview dates and locations.</li> </ul>

### Become a judge at the Research Showcase event -17<sup>th</sup> May 2019 - University Hospitals Birmingham

Further information about this opportunity is included in the invitation letter. If you would like to be considered for this opportunity, please contact Margaret O'Hara, Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement Lead, University Hospitals Birmingham (details below) by **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March**.

Involvement Opportunity	Queen Elizabeth University Hospitals Birmingham (UHB) is looking for members of the public to judge stands at the Research Showcase event, which takes place on 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2019.
Commitment involved	Four judges will review the stands at the event in the atrium of UHB. The event takes place from 10am to 3pm. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.
Expenses/Honoraria	Travel expenses will be reimbursed in full.
Further information	<p>Please contact Margaret O'Hara, Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement in Research Lead, to find out more about this opportunity.</p> <p>Name: Margaret O'Hara Telephone: 0121 371 8210 Email: <a href="mailto:Margaret.o'hara@uhb.nhs.uk">Margaret.o'hara@uhb.nhs.uk</a></p>

### ***Statement on Diversity and Inclusion***

We adopt the [NIHR Statement on Diversity and Inclusion](#):

The promotion of diversity and inclusion is the responsibility of all members of our community. It is expected that we will all contribute to ensuring that INVOLVE continues to be a safe, welcoming and productive environment, where there is equality of opportunity, fostered in an environment of mutual respect and dignity.

The concept of diversity encompasses acceptance and respect. It means understanding that each individual is unique, recognising and appreciating our differences and commonalities.

We understand that simply having diversity in our work force is not enough; we must create an inclusive environment for all across the research system.

We value the uniqueness and talents, beliefs, backgrounds, capabilities and ways of working of all individuals, joined in a common endeavour, to create a culture of belonging.