

News

Requests for participation - WHAT WORKS?

Health Education England (HEE), the body responsible for training & educating NHS workers, wants to understand 'What Works' in dementia training and education.

The 'What Works?' study team have created a survey which aims to build a map of the dementia-based training and education delivered nationally to staff across the disciplines in health and social care.

Further information and a link to the survey can be found [here](#).

SURVEY REQUEST - The impact of a diagnosis of head and neck cancer

Rachael Dodd, doctoral researcher from Cancer Research UK Health Behaviour Research Centre at University College London would like to invite you to complete a short

Network Update

Recruitment Performance.

In relation to the HLO1 target of 64,527, Yorkshire and Humber have so far achieved 34,482 patient recruits.



News from across the Network

Awards success

Congratulations to the Leeds Colorectal Cancer team at St James' University Hospital who were awarded with the CREST Award for Cancer Research Excellence in Surgical Trials.

Information

NHS England published guidance on funding excess treatment.

NHS England has been working in consultation with Department of Health (DH) and other key stakeholders to develop an NHS England strategic plan on the process and funding of Excess Treatment Costs that delivers DH policy.

As a result, NHS England has published new guidance to help clarify the rules and expectations which can be found on their website.

[Find out more here.](#)

RDS Workshop - from Research Idea to Funding Application: getting your grant proposal together

The Research Design Service Yorkshire and

survey about discussing HPV with head and neck patients.

The survey is aimed at health professionals working with head and neck cancer patients who have/have not discussed HPV with their patients in the past. The work will contribute to Rachael's research on the psychosocial implications of HPV in head and neck cancer. All responses will be completely anonymous.

To find out further information and to take part in the survey please click on the following link:

<https://opinio.ucl.ac.uk/s?s=38577>

PROMOTE Clinical Trial

The Osteoarthritis Group, Leeds Institute of Rheumatic & Musculoskeletal Medicine (LIRMM) would like to highlight the PROMOTE trial to network colleagues to help increase recruitment across Yorkshire.

PROMOTE is funded by Arthritis Research UK, and aims to find a more effective treatment for those who have osteoarthritis of the knee. The clinical trial will recruit people with moderate to severe osteoarthritis of the knee, who are not getting benefit from traditional treatments such as



**Pictured above; Catherine Moriarty, Dr Damian Tolan and Louise White*

Alzheimer's month and Older

People's Week

As part of Alzheimer's month and Older People's week, the Humber NHS Foundation Trust's Dementia Research Team attended several events across the region to promote Join Dementia Research (JDR).



The team attended the Humber Bridge Memory Walk, a 6km sponsored walk organised by the Alzheimer's Society.

Despite the rain, hundreds of people turned out, with over 50 signing up to JDR on the day and more than 1000 leaflets handed out. Other events that were attended by the team included; an activity day for older people and the Butterflies Memory Loss Group Showcase.

Our teams in Leeds, Sheffield and York also attended the memory walks within their regions to raise awareness during Alzheimers month and Older peoples week.

Humber is running a workshop for researchers and health professionals who want to develop and submit an NIHR research funding application. Preparing a good application takes time, this workshop will illustrate the application process and help you focus your ideas and effects to produce a strong application.

Date: 23rd February 2016

This event is free and lunch will be provided.

For further information please click [here](#).

HTA Dementia Funding Call

Problem solving based psychological therapy for depression in older adults with dementia.

[Find out more here.](#)

Non-pharmacological intervention for treatment resistant generalised anxiety disorder in older people.

[Find out more here.](#)

painkillers.

To find out more please contact Angela Nauth, PROMOTE Trial Recruitment Officer on 0113 392 4965 or email at OAtrials@leeds.ac.uk

Joint Rheumatology and Dermatology Research Awareness Event

Congratulations to the Dermatology and Rheumatology Research Teams in York who held their first Joint research awareness event which was a huge success with more than 50 guests attending throughout the day.

The event aimed to raise awareness of research taking place in the specialities, highlight how the public can be involved in research through PPI and recruitment, and most importantly why we do research.

The team are hoping to hold another joint Rheumatology and Dermatology Research Awareness Event in the future, and would encourage other specialities to do so too.



Training and Education

The network offers the NIHR courses on Good Clinical Practice and various other study days including informed consent, commercial research: a masterclass, building a successful clinical research programme and feasibility training.

A full list of courses for the rest of 2015, and early 2016, along with instructions on how to book can be found on our website.

[Find out more](#)

Do you have news to share?

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Funding Opportunities - Neuroscience

BRAIN initiative: foundations of non-invasive functional human brain imaging and recording - bridging scales and modalities (R01), NIH: National Institute of Mental Health, US

This announcement aims to support transformative discoveries that will lead to breakthroughs in understanding human brain function. The initiative intends to commit

a total estimated budget of US\$12 million in fiscal year 2016 to fund 12-15 awards. Projects are limited to US\$700,000 in direct costs in any project year. The maximum project period is five years. Closing date: 6th January 2016.
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-MH-16-750.html>

Major opportunities for research in epidemiology of Alzheimer's disease and cognitive resilience (R01), NIH: National Institute on Aging, US

These support health-disparities research related to Alzheimer's disease, including the study of biological, behavioural, sociocultural, and environmental factors that influence population level health differences. The initiative intends to commit a total estimated budget of US\$10 million in fiscal year 2016 to fund 10-12 awards. Budgets are not limited but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project. The maximum project period is five years. Closing date: 11th December 2015
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-15-349.html>

Phase III clinical trials for the spectrum of Alzheimer's disease and age-related cognitive decline (R01), NIH: National Institute on Aging, US

This announcement supports the development and implementation of phase III clinical trials of promising pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions in individuals with age-related cognitive decline and across the Alzheimer's disease spectrum from pre-symptomatic to more severe stages of disease. Application budgets are not limited but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project. The maximum project period is five years. Closing date: 11th December 2015
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-364.html>

Pilot clinical trials for the spectrum of Alzheimer's disease and age-related cognitive decline (R01), NIH: National Institute on Aging, US

This announcement supports the development and implementation of phase I or II clinical trials of promising pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions in individuals with age-related cognitive decline and individuals with Alzheimer's disease across the spectrum from pre-symptomatic to more severe stages of disease, as well as to stimulate studies to enhance trial design and methods. Application budgets are not limited but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project. The maximum project period is five years. Closing date: 16th December 2015
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-16-365.html>

Understanding Alzheimer's disease in the context of the ageing brain (R01), NIH: National Institute on Aging, US

This announcement encourages research that aims to establish the role and impact of

brain ageing in the development and progression of Alzheimer's disease. NIA intends to commit a total of US\$10 million to fund approximately 20 to 25 awards for fiscal year 2016. Closing date: 16th December 2015
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AG-16-006.html>

Research on informal and formal caregiving for Alzheimer's disease (R21), NIH: National Institute on Aging, US

This call supports basic and translational research on caregiving for individuals with Alzheimer's disease, at the individual, family, community and population level. NIH intends to commit a total of US\$3 million to fund an estimate of 10 to 12 awards for fiscal year 2016. Direct costs are limited to US\$275,000 over the two-year period, with no more than US\$200,000 in direct costs allowed in any single year. Closing date: 17th December 2015

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-AG-16-004.html>

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