

Pharmacy Research Opportunities

May 2022

Many of the currently advertised PHR Programme funding opportunities may be impacted by and can be related to the COVID-19 situation. For research proposals focused primarily on COVID-19 interventions please apply via the [NIHR COVID-19 Urgent Public Health Research process](#).

Health and Care Research Wales funding opportunities

Funding calls open now:

[21/592 Hypertension in pregnancy](#)

[21/593 Pain management for children and young people \(0-19 years\)](#)

[21/598 Health and social care outcomes and cost-effectiveness of assistive technologies](#)

Deadline: 13:00 on 04th May 2022

[21/577 Supporting the delivery of net zero health and social care system](#)

Deadline: 13:00 on 24th May 2022

[22/18 Applications with industry collaboration - The development and evaluation of predictive algorithms using Artificial Intelligence \(AI\) \(EME Programme\)](#)

Deadline: 13:00 on 10th May 2022

[22/20 NIHR James Lind Alliance Priority Setting Partnerships Rolling Call \(HSDR Programme\)](#)

[22/19 HSDR Researcher-led call](#)

Deadline: 13:00 on 17th May 2022

[22/25 Evaluating the implementation of the Transforming Children and Young People's Mental Health Provision Green Paper](#)

[22/26 Evaluating the High Volume Low Complexity \(HVLC\) surgical hubs model](#)

Deadline: 13:00 on 25th May 2022

[22/10 Social Care Needs Assessment](#)

[22/11 Implementing the Mental Capacity Act in practice \(Mental Capacity Assessments\)](#)

[22/47 Health and Social Care Delivery Research Programme researcher-led](#) ^{NEW}

[22/46 NIHR NICE Rolling call \(HSDR Programme\)](#) ^{NEW}

Deadline: 12:00 on 19th July 2022

[22/27 Antipsychotics for the treatment of borderline personality disorder](#) ^{NEW}

[22/29 Pseudomonas aeruginosa eradication treatment in bronchiectasis](#) ^{NEW}

[22/28 Management of antipsychotic-induced sexual dysfunction](#) ^{NEW}

[22/30 Post-operative pain in patients undergoing spinal surgery](#) ^{NEW}

[22/31 Glucagon-like peptide-1 receptor agonist therapy for people with severe mental illness living with overweight or obesity](#) ^{NEW}

[22/32 Biologic disease-modifying anti-rheumatic drugs in pregnancy](#) ^{NEW}

[22/33 Botulinum toxin in the management of chronic masticatory myofascial pain](#) ^{NEW}

[22/34 Surgical and non-surgical management of basal thumb osteoarthritis](#) ^{NEW}

[22/35 Thromboprophylaxis in lower limb immobilisation](#) ^{NEW}

[22/40 HTA Application Development Award: Towards evaluation of digital and technology-enabled healthcare](#) ^{NEW}

Deadline: 12:00 on 27th July 2022

[22/50 HSDR Social Care Rapid Evaluation Research Team](#) ^{NEW}

Deadline: 12:00 on 9th August 2022

[22/44 Innovative ventilation technologies for treatment of patients in ICU](#) ^{NEW}

Deadline: 12:00 on 31st August 2022

[22/21 Interventions to support the health of unpaid carers](#)

[22/22 Interventions to prevent eviction and homelessness](#)

[22/23 Interventions to prevent male violence against women and girls](#)

[22/24 Application Development Award: Adult drug screening and brief interventions in key health, social care and justice settings](#)

[22/38 Application Development Award: Universal Basic Income](#)

[22/39 Methodological development in public health](#)

[22/41 NIHR NICE Rolling Call](#) ^{NEW}

[22/42 NIHR James Lind Alliance Priority Setting Partnerships rolling call](#) ^{NEW}

[22/43 Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation Programme researcher-led](#) ^{NEW}

[22/48 Delivering a Sustainable Health and Care System \(EME Programme\)](#) ^{NEW}

[22/49 Innovative ventilation technologies for treatment of patients in ICU](#) ^{NEW}

[22/51 Public Health Research Programme researcher-led](#) ^{NEW}

[22/54 NIHR NICE Rolling Call \(PHR Programme\)](#) ^{NEW}

[22/52 Continuing priority research topics of interest to the PHR Programme](#) ^{NEW}

[22/53 NIHR James Lind Alliance Priority Setting Partnerships rolling call \(PHR Programme\)](#) ^{NEW}

[22/55 Delivering a Sustainable Health and Care System \(PHR Programme\)](#) ^{NEW}

[22/60 Mechanisms of action of health interventions in patients with multiple long-term conditions](#) ^{NEW}

Deadline: 12:00 on 16th August 2022

[22/02 Public Health Intervention Responsive Studies Teams \(PHIRST\) - call for Local Authority Initiatives](#)

Deadline: 12:00 on 12 September 2022

[22/36 Microsuction compared with irrigation to remove earwax](#) ^{NEW}

Deadline: 12:00 on 14 September 2022

[22/37 Non-pharmacological interventions for fatigue management in adults with long-term health conditions](#) ^{NEW}

Deadline: 12:00 on 21 September 2022

[22/56 PHR Health communication and public health messaging](#) ^{NEW}

Deadline: 12:00 on 21 September 2022

Discover the latest funding opportunities listed on the [Health and Care Research Wales website](#).

Allied health professional fellowship – clinical ^{NEW}

Kidney Research UK invites applications for its allied health professional fellowship. This enables nurses and allied health professionals to undertake a renal research study in the form of a master's or PhD qualification.

All applicants must be resident in the UK and both the project and employment must also take place in a UK establishment. Applicants should hold an honorary clinical contract at the appropriate level by the employing authority and related NHS trust. They must have completed their professional training and hold a membership of an appropriate body. Research experience post-registration with the body may be advantageous. In exceptional circumstances, a period of up to one year may be spent in an appropriate overseas facility during the term of the fellowship.

Fellowships are tenable for up to three years full-time or up to five years part-time and provide a salary based on the appropriate NHS or university scale, higher degree fees and an annual consumables allowance of £8,000.

Closing date 17 May 2022

<https://kidneyresearchuk.org/research/research-grants/>

[Crohn's & Colitis UK](#)

Applications are invited for grants to be awarded in 2022 by Crohn's & Colitis UK. Grants up to a maximum of £100,000 for up to three years are available to fund research into Crohn's Disease, Ulcerative Colitis or other types of Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD).

This year, we would like to receive proposals which address one of the [James Lind Alliance Top 10 Priorities](#), specifically those which have not received significant attention to date and where there is still room for progress to be made. Applications for funding of pilot and feasibility studies are also welcome. We encourage, where possible, studies that have the potential to realise rapid benefits for people living with Crohn's and Colitis, at the "bedside" end of the "bench to bedside" spectrum. Applications involving researchers from outside the UK will be considered, however a UK-based research team must be involved.

The priorities we are interested in are:

JLA Priority 2: What are the optimal markers/ combinations of markers (clinical, endoscopic, imaging, genetics, other biomarkers) for stratification of patients with regards to a) disease course and b) monitoring

disease activity and c) treatment response?

JLA Priority 5: What is an optimal treatment strategy for perianal Crohn's Disease and what individual factors determine this?

JLA Priority 6: What is the best treatment for controlling diarrhoea and/or incontinence symptoms in people with IBD, including novel pharmacological and non-pharmacological options? Is high-dose Loperamide safe and effective in the treatment of diarrhoea in IBD?

JLA Priority 8: What is the association between IBD and fatigue and how should it be managed?

JLA Priority 9: Does early surgery or later surgery for terminal ileal Crohn's disease result in better outcomes (quality of life, cost-effectiveness)?

Closing date: 12am (Midnight) 29 May 2022

<https://www.crohnsandcolitis.org.uk/research/researchers/looking-for-funding>

NIHR NICE Rolling Call (HTA Programme)

The Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Programme is accepting stage one applications to this funding opportunity. The programme is interested in receiving applications to meet recommendations in research identified in [NICE guidance](#) that has been published or updated since 2015.

Proposals must be within the remit of the HTA Programme and the primary outcome measure must be health related. (This call is also open in the Public Health Research (PHR), Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation (EME), and Health Services and Delivery Research (HS&DR) programmes for proposals which fall within the remit of those programmes – applicants should apply directly to the relevant programme).

In order to apply for this call you will need to carefully review the following documents:

- [Specification document](#)
- [Stage 1 guidance notes](#)
- [Stage 1 application supporting information](#)

Applications received to this call which are deemed to be both in remit and competitive will be considered by a HTA Funding Committee, and successful applicants will then be invited to submit a Stage 2 application. Applicants will have eight weeks to complete and submit their stage 2 application form, which will then be considered at the following HTA funding committee meeting.

All primary research projects are expected to establish a programme appointed Study Steering Committee and it is important that you read the [TSC/SSC Guidance](#) before completing your application. Costs incurred by this committee should be included in the budget as appropriate.

Contact

- For help with your application contact htafunding@nihr.ac.uk
- For more information about the funding Programme, visit the [HTA Page](#)

Supporting Information

- [HTA tips for applicants](#)
- [Word version of the stage 1 application form \(.DOCX - Word\)](#)

Please note that the Word version of the stage 1 application form is to be used as a guide and to assist with completion of the on-line application form only, for example to see how many characters are accepted in each section and how the printed complete form is laid out. Please do not try to use this as an application form, you must apply using the online form available through the links available when calls are open. You should also refer to the application form guidance notes.

Opens: 06 January 2022

Closes: 13:00 on 04 May 2022

[Apply Now](#)

HTA Researcher-led call Primary Research

The Health Technology Assessment Programme is accepting stage 1 applications to their researcher-led workstream. In order to apply you will need to carefully review the:

- [Specification document](#)
- [Supporting information](#)
- [Stage 1 guidance notes](#)

Applications received on this date which are deemed to be both in remit and competitive will be considered by a HTA Funding Board in July 2022 with first stage decisions communicated to applicants in July 2022.

Please note the following

The programme reserves the right to review and develop potentially important research areas for the NHS highlighted during the assessment of unsuccessful researcher-led applications. Research topics may be further developed with the aim of openly funding further research to address NHS priorities. Research assessed as an NHS priority will be advertised as a commissioning brief (i.e. a call inviting research proposals in a specified topic area addressing an NHS need). All briefs are openly advertised and proposals submitted to address a brief are considered in direct competition. The programme obtains topic suggestions from a wide range of sources and on occasion proposals may be submitted to the researcher-led (CET) streams which are on a similar topic area as one in development via our commissioned stream. Please note that **commissioning briefs take priority over applications to researcher-led funding calls**. If an application is submitted on a similar topic to a commissioning brief or any proposed research areas for HTA commissioned calls, it will not be considered and either:

- once the commissioning brief is advertised, the applicant can tailor their application to the commissioning brief and submit it in response to this, or
- if a decision is made not to advertise a commissioning brief, applicants can apply through the researcher-led workstream in the usual way.

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[Early-career small grants for basic scientists](#)

Diabetes UK invites applications for its early-career small grants for basic scientists. These enable early-career scientists and allied health professionals to undertake small research projects related to diabetes. The aim is to encourage scientists at an early stage in their career to develop their work and go on to obtain additional grant funding from other organisations.

Nurses, pharmacists and members of the allied health professions, may apply. Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- be in receipt of a salary for the duration of the proposed award;
- be based at, and the grant must be administered by, an established research institution in the UK;
- be no more than four years from appointment to their first academic position, excluding career breaks.

Grants are worth up to £15,000 each for one year. However, longer periods of time may be granted. Grant may cover materials and consumables, small pieces of equipment, animal purchase and maintenance and collaborative travel.

Closing date 01 June 2022

<http://www.diabetes.org.uk/Research/For-researchers/Apply-for-a-grant/Small-grants/>

[UKRI - Build community research consortia to address health disparities](#) **NEW**

Apply for funding to build community research consortia to address health disparities.

You must be based at a UK research organisation eligible for AHRC funding.

Your project should:

- facilitate cross-partner collaboration with a view to establishing one (or more) community asset hubs, articulating hub structure and membership

- scope whole or part of an integrated care system (or devolved equivalent) to understand the range of services, scale of provision, key stakeholders and existing partnerships
- explore different collaborative models for integrating co-production into the improvement of health systems.

The full economic cost of your project can be up to £250,000. AHRC will fund 80% of the full economic cost. We will fund projects for up to nine months.

You must submit an 'intention to submit' by 16:00 on 1 June 2022.

<https://www.ukri.org/opportunity/build-community-research-consortia-to-address-health-disparities/>

Early Career Grants - Royal Osteoporosis Society **NEW**

The Royal Osteoporosis Society invites applications for its early career grants. These support osteoporosis researchers in the early stages of their career through specific funding of a research project.

Early career researchers, clinicians, nurses, pharmacists, and members of the allied health professions, who are no more than four years from appointment to their first permanent academic position, may apply. Applicants must be based at a university, postgraduate institute, medical school, NHS trust or health board in the UK or other British islands. They must hold an employment contract at the institution that they are applying from, which covers the proposed duration of the grant. Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they are on an upward trajectory with great potential and be ready to take the next step towards becoming an independent principal investigator.

Grants are worth up to £30,000 over up to two years to cover direct project costs.

Closing date 06 June 2022

<https://theros.org.uk/osteoporosis-research/funding-and-support-for-researchers/research-grants/early-career-grants/>

Health and Care Research Wales – COVID-19 Research Hub

Our hub for COVID-19 research guidance and updates is available to view on our website. It includes:

- COVID-19 research studies in Wales
- Fast track study set up advice
- Guidance for researchers
- Funding for COVID-19 research
- Latest COVID-19 news

The hub is being updated as new information and guidance is received.

<https://healthandcareresearchwales.org/covid-19/covid-19-research-wales>

COMING SOON: Kids Kidney Research paediatric research awards

Kidney Research UK and **Kids Kidney Research** invite applications for their paediatric research awards. These support clinical or laboratory research in paediatric renal diseases. Two types of grant are available:

- research project grants, worth up to £250,000 over three years – these support innovative, standalone research projects;
- innovation grants, worth up to £40,000 over two years – these support new areas of clinical or science research where initial pilot or supporting data is required prior to an application for a research project award.

Clinical research projects may focus on the following aspects of diseases of the kidney or urinary tract: diagnosis, natural history, epidemiology or treatment; prenatal origins of kidney or urinary tract diseases; impact on adult health of these diseases with an onset in childhood or the prenatal period. Laboratory research projects may focus on the following aspects of diseases of the kidney or urinary tract: causes and new treatments, or formation, growth and maturing of the diseases before and after birth.

Non-medical, medical, nursing, pharmacy and allied health professionals may apply. Applicants must be resident in the UK and both the project and employment must take place in a UK establishment.

Opening date: 30 August 2022

Closing date: 04 October 2022

<https://kidneyresearchuk.org/research/research-grants/>

Clinical research fellowships – Versus Arthritis

Versus Arthritis invites applications for its clinical research fellowships. These encourage clinically qualified professionals into an academic research career in any discipline relevant to arthritis and related musculoskeletal conditions. The aim is to provide training in clinical and laboratory research techniques leading to a higher degree, usually a PhD.

Medical and non-medical healthcare professionals may apply. Medical graduates must apply during their speciality training and non-medical healthcare professionals must have at least one year's experience of clinical practice. Non-medical healthcare professions that are eligible to apply include: dentists, physiotherapists, nurses, occupational therapists, podiatrists, prosthetists and orthotists, psychologists, veterinary surgeons, radiographers and pharmacists. Applicants must be associated with an established sponsor, within a multidisciplinary research group in a UK university department, hospital or research institute. The application must be made jointly by the candidate and their sponsor. Applications for master's degrees are not accepted.

The fellowship is normally awarded for three years, although applications for less than three years' funding are also encouraged. The award covers salaries, reasonable research expenses such as small pieces of equipment up to £30,000 in value, consumables, purchase and maintenance of laboratory animals and travels to collaborating institutions. Consultant level salaries or NHS salaries above band 7 are not funded, and PhD tuition fees are not provided.

Closing date 12 January 2023 (Forecast)

<https://www.versusarthritis.org/research/information-for-researchers/fellowships/types-of-fellowship/>