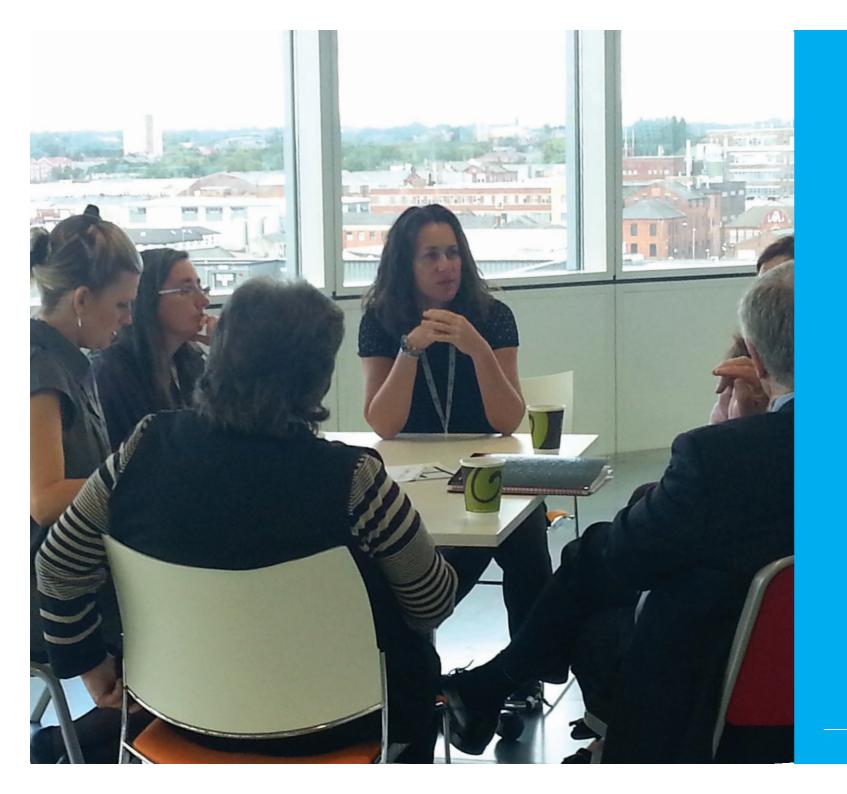






Better Connected Research





## **INTRODUCTION**

NHS Research and Development North West (NHS R&D NW) aims to co-create a strategic approach to research, development and innovation. The team has high aspirations for R&D and the ambition is to:

- Work in collaboration with universities, business, third sector and NHS organisations to make the North West of England the region of choice to undertake high quality research
- We want the North West to be nationally and internationally recognised and acknowledged for its research strengths and
- Renowned for its high calibre R&D workforce infrastructure delivering high quality research.

'The NHS aspires to the highest standards of excellence and professionalism... through its commitment to innovation and to the promotion, conduct and use of research to improve the current and future health and care of the population.'

NHS constitution







# WHO WE ARE

The NHS Research and Development North West Team

# **TEAM VALUES**

Integrity Honest and sincere with a strong moral principle

Co-creation Focusing on stakeholder experience and interactive relationships

Inclusivity Embracing the wider health research community

Altruism Working for the greater good of the health research community

and ultimately patients and the public

Humility A modest team recognising the skills and abilities of others

Optimism Hopeful and confident for the future of health research in the region.





# OUR APPROACH

The team contributes an established and evaluated track record focusing specifically on:

- Building R&D capacity throughout NHS organisations
- Making and supporting connections across the boundaries of organisations
- Working collaboratively to facilitate the generation of ideas and research question.
- Building the profile of patient and public involvement in R&D.

The team has experience in research and development, NHS clinical services, the voluntary sector and academia.

The skills and expertise of the team are complimented by associates with whom we work. Drawing on expertise from fields of leadership, organisational development, workshop facilitation, psychology, coaching and mentorship, the creative arts, knowledge and information management and research.







## WHAT WE DO

The team works to the regional agendas of our key stakeholders, which include Health Education North West, the two regional Academic Health Science Networks (AHSN) and Collaborations for Leadership in Applied Health research and Care (CLAHRC). It also has an independent entrepreneurial field of development that works with new and existing partners in health research.

- We engage strategically with the NHS, HEIs, local business, third sector and health and social care across the North West to ensure that RD&I remains central to the agendas of new and emergent NHS organisations and related networks
- We act as a high level strategic impartial broker in macro-organisational multistakeholder initiatives

- We host and support the North West People in Research Forum (NWPiR) and champion the PPI in Research agenda across the region and nationally
- We explore new and creative ideas/skills for learning and communicating RD&I and share these with the health research community.

Our work is varied and includes workshops, catalyst events, meetings and forums engaging professionals from all backgrounds ranging from early career researchers needing support to develop their career, to CEOs developing regional health research strategies.







## PROGRAMMES OF WORK

## The Releasing Potential Programme

Adopting an evidence-based approach to research capability building, this programme is designed to support the development of a culture of research and innovation across the NHS work force by:

- Supporting the career development of NHS based early career researchers
- Supporting the development of a culture of leadership within clinical teams which actively supports and facilitates research and innovation
- Seeking to break down some of the barriers to research which exist within the NHS.

## The European Programme

Designed to support NHS organisations in the North West of England by:

- Developing knowledge and skills to bid for funding through Horizon 2020, the biggest EU research and innovation programme ever
- Working with the North of England EU Health Partnership and the NHS Confederation EU office to make sure that regional NHS Trusts maximise this funding opportunity
- Providing information and support on a range of other EU health research funding schemes and research opportunities
- Making connections with other European regions to enable pan-European research collaborations
- Brokering connections between the NHS, HEIs and SMEs to support collaborations to bid for EU funding.







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### North West People in Research Forun

NHS R&D NW has supported the development of The North West People in Research Forum which is devoted to supporting patient and public involvement (PPI) and public engagement (PE) in health and social care research in the North West.

The forum aims to:

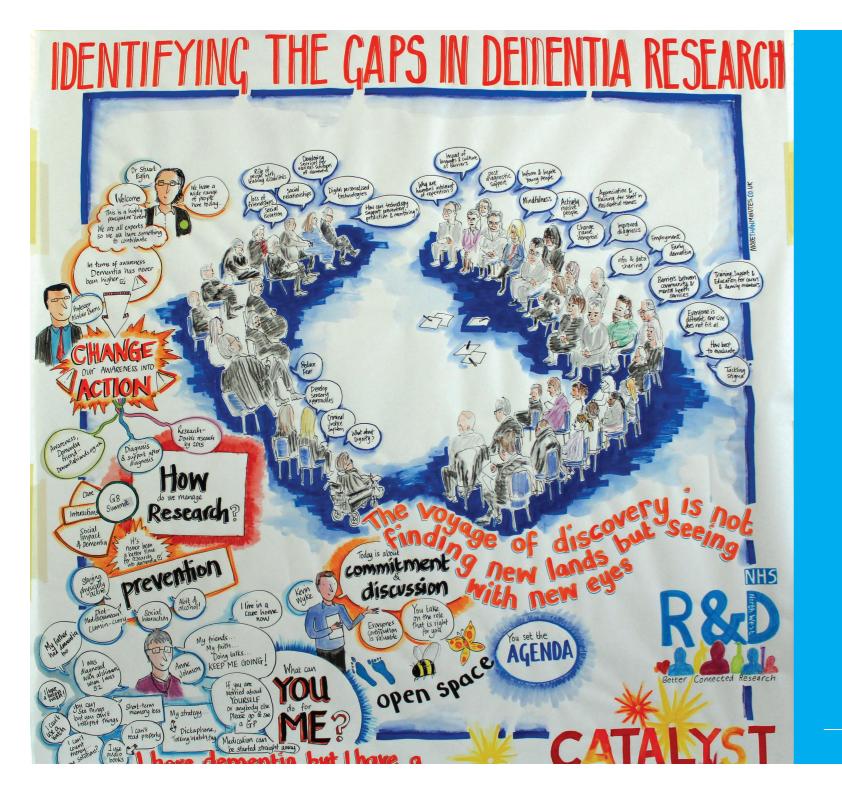
- Support researchers to involve and engage patients and the public
- Support patients and members of the public who are, or wish to become, involved in health research

- Share learning about PPI and PE in research
- Form a link between researchers and patients/public
- Raise awareness about and opportunities to get actively involved in health research in the region and further afield.

NHS R&D NW continue to host the support staff for the forum as well as looking at wider opportunities to promote public involvement and engagement in research.

www.northwestpeopleinresearchforum.org Twitter: @nwpirf







## PROGRAMMES OF WORK

### Catalyst programme

The Catalyst Programme was established in recognition of the vast clinical and academic expertise in health research in the North West and the lack of effective networking among those with that expertise. The aims of the Catalyst programme are:

- To identify research questions of importance to policy makers, commissioners, service providers, clinicians, patients and the public
- Create new, exciting and innovative collaborations to develop research funding

- Improve links between the NHS and with Universities to facilitate research and support changes in practice
- Contribute to economic agendas of the North of England through the attraction of additional research and development funding
- Give colleagues in the North of England an idea of strengths and potential gaps in research in the region.

Catalyst events are run both as stand-alone topic specific events and also as part of our other programmes of work.





# WORK WITH US

If you would like to work with us and make a difference to health research in the North West then please contact us.

We can deliver bespoke pieces of work, work in collaboration to support teams and organisations with the R&D agenda or support and advise on a range of R&D issues.

Full details of all our programmes are available on our website www.research.northwest.nhs.uk

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## CURRENT PROGRAMME OF WORK 2014 /15

#### **Events**

#### SUMMER

Developing Cultures of Research Catalyst Event

#### NMUTUA

NHS R&D North West Conference The gaps in dementia research Getting started in research Peer 2 Peer Coaching

#### **WINTER**

NIHR Doctoral fellowship support workshops
PPI Catalyst Event
Early Career Researcher study day
North West Coast AHSN Innovation Workshop

8th July 2014

24th & 25th Sept 2014 6th Oct 2014 29th Oct 2014 15/16th Oct 2014 & 28th Jan 2015

Nov 2014 – Jan 2015 Dec/Jan 2014 Feb TBC <u>Nov</u> 2014 & Feb 2015

Please check our website for updates on events, www.research.northwest.nhs.uk



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