

You can help Research for the Future

Our unique 'consent for approach' database contains details of people waiting to hear about your research opportunity!

Everyone can help to build this database by encouraging people to get involved in health research and register with Research for the Future. By working together in this way, it means there will be a larger population waiting to hear about your research when you approach recruitment.

A variety of free promotional resources are available to download from our website, including leaflets, videos and sample content for newsletters, websites and digital channels.

To find out more or to enquire how Research for the Future can support your research, please contact us:

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Research for the Future is part of the National Institute for Health and Care Research Clinical Research Network (NIHR CRN). It is an NHS-supported campaign working collaboratively with several NHS partners across north-west England to help people find out about, and take part in, health and care research.

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Information for researchers

Are you looking for people to take part in your research?

Research for the Future can help you to involve, engage and recruit the right people.

How Research for the Future can help you

We help find participants for a wide range of research involvement and engagement opportunities including grant applications, clinical trials and other PPIE (patient and public involvement and engagement) opportunities.

As part of your enquiry, you will be asked to complete and return a short application form. For clinical studies appropriate ethics approvals must be in place to recruit via this method. Contacting us at the earliest opportunity means that we can advise on the best way to include the Research for the Future service.

We use the information you provide to develop a volunteer invite. This outlines the opportunity, commitment and any specific characteristics of the population required (for example a health condition, taking certain medications, able to use smartphone apps etc). The invite is sent to volunteers who meet the broad inclusion criteria. If interested, the volunteer will contact the researcher directly to enquire about participation.

Opportunities are usually emailed to volunteers. We can contact volunteers by telephone or post, although costs would need to be covered by the research team.

We can also promote research opportunities on our website and via our social media accounts. For clinical studies you will need to make sure this is included as part of the recruitment strategy.

We are able to explore tailored recruitment support, for example participant eligibility screening, telephone interviews and targeted social media campaigns. Contact us to discuss your specific requirements.

What is Research for the Future?

Research for the Future is an NIHR CRN (National Institute for Health and Care Research Clinical Research Network) initiative to facilitate recruitment to NIHR portfolio studies and other health and care research. We use a 'consent for approach' database of volunteers who are interested in taking part in research. All volunteers are aged 18+ years. We work collaboratively with several NHS partners across north-west England.

We support research across all health conditions as well as recruitment of healthy volunteers. We have five areas of particular interest, covered by our 'Help BEAT' campaigns, which are reflected in volunteer numbers. Current campaigns focus on research into coronavirus, diabetes, heart, kidney and respiratory diseases.

We are based in an NHS research and innovation department. The team support volunteers through the registration process, maintain their details and make contact when research opportunities arise.