

Our core offer to researchers

1. Provide expert advice in primary care Recruitment

- Review of primary care recruitment strategy at any point of the study life cycle.
 - Pilot recruitment strategy within the primary care environment to check for do ability.
 - Advise on alternative recruitment strategies if required.
- Work with research teams to plan the study delivery in a primary care setting using our local knowledge.

2. NHS Service Support Costs

- NHS service support cost advice and support with:
 - Identification
 - Calculation
 - Access and application (funding/ personnel)

3. Governance advice and signposting for NHS permissions

- Helping researchers find their way through NHS permissions
- Signposting research teams to the governance process
- Liaising with RM&G teams, assisting where possible to minimise delays with R&D approvals

4. Study set-up

- Identify, engage and recruit primary care sites
- Provide access to research accredited and experienced sites
- Promote studies to primary care sites and the wider community
- Advise study teams on relevant materials to take to primary care sites
- Work with other CRNs on jointly supported studies
- Advise on database search strategy

5. Study delivery support

- Support primary care sites and study teams to deliver recruitment to time and to target

6. Performance monitoring

- Work with study teams and primary care sites to help to performance manage the progress of their studies
- Identify and overcome recruitment barriers

7. Training

- Support primary care sites to access study specific training where required.
- Help the research community gain the necessary training to be able to undertake research e.g. GCP training

Please note that some local research networks may be able to offer extra support in addition to this core service however this will be dependant on capacity.

