

## Greenshoots Research Delivery Awards 2023/24

### Guidance for Applicants - Closing Date Friday 4th November

#### Background

NIHR Clinical Research Network North East and North Cumbria (CRN NENC) Greenshoots Scheme is now open to applicants for 2023/24!

Greenshoot applicants make a significant contribution to the conduct and delivery of a study by taking on the role of Principal Investigator (PI), with support from regional research infrastructure. For further details view our [Greenshoots Information page](#).

#### Application Criteria

- The scheme is available to eligible staff who have not previously been a PI on an NIHR Portfolio study, or who have only been a PI for an NIHR Portfolio study since April 2020.
- The scheme is also open to applicants who have been a PI on a study undertaken as part of the research element of a higher degree.
- Applicants must seek approval from their Clinical Director/line manager, local Specialty Lead and Research Delivery Manager before making an application (see the appendix for contacts).
- Applicants must have a suitable mentor. This can be anyone with experience of NIHR portfolio research who has agreed to share their experience and support your development. The [NENC Mentor Directory](#) may be a useful resource for applicants looking for a suitable mentor.

#### Interested?

Please apply using the [online application form](#). Applications will close on Friday 4th November and applicants will be notified of the outcome in December.

If you have any questions about your Greenshoots application, please contact [NENCLearning@nhr.ac.uk](mailto:NENCLearning@nhr.ac.uk).

Contact details for local Specialty Leads and Research Delivery Managers can be found in the attached appendix.

Link to application form:

<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/CRNNENCGreenshoots2023/>

Find out more about NIHR CRN NENC: [www.local.nihr.ac.uk/nenc](http://www.local.nihr.ac.uk/nenc)

## Appendix - Specialty Leads and associated Research Delivery Managers

| Specialty                                 | Specialty Lead  | Research Delivery Manager  |
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| Ageing                                    | Claire McDonald<br><a href="mailto:claire.mcdonald2@nhs.net">claire.mcdonald2@nhs.net</a>                                 | Gillian Johnson<br><a href="mailto:gillian.johnson@nhr.ac.uk">gillian.johnson@nhr.ac.uk</a>    |
| Dermatology                               | Dr Shymal Wahie<br><a href="mailto:shyamal.wahie@nhs.net">shyamal.wahie@nhs.net</a>                                       |  |
| Gastroenterology                          | Dr Simon Panter<br><a href="mailto:simon.panter@nhs.net">simon.panter@nhs.net</a>   |  |
| Infection & Microbiology                  | Dr Ashley Price<br><a href="mailto:david.price15@nhs.net">david.price15@nhs.net</a>                                       |  |
| Liver (Heptalogy)                         | Dr Steven Masson<br><a href="mailto:steven.masson@nhs.net">steven.masson@nhs.net</a>                                      |  |
| Neurological Disorders                    | Dr James Miller<br><a href="mailto:james.miller18@nhs.net">james.miller18@nhs.net</a>                                     |  |
| Respiratory Disorders                     | Dr John Steer<br><a href="mailto:John.steer@northumbria-healthcare.nhs.uk">John.steer@northumbria-healthcare.nhs.uk</a>   |  |
| Primary Care                              | Dr Justine Norman<br><a href="mailto:justine.norman@nhs.net">justine.norman@nhs.net</a>                                   | Hilary Allan<br><a href="mailto:hilary.allan@nhr.ac.uk">hilary.allan@nhr.ac.uk</a>             |
| Health Services Research                  | Dr Yitka Graham<br><a href="mailto:yitka.graham@sunderland.ac.uk">yitka.graham@sunderland.ac.uk</a>                       | Justine Smith<br><a href="mailto:justine.smith@nhr.ac.uk">justine.smith@nhr.ac.uk</a>          |
| Cardiovascular Disease                    | Prof. Kim Spyridopoulos<br><a href="mailto:ioakim.spyridopoulos@newcastle.ac.uk">ioakim.spyridopoulos@newcastle.ac.uk</a> | Nicky Cunningham<br><a href="mailto:nicky.cunningham@nhr.ac.uk">nicky.cunningham@nhr.ac.uk</a> |
|   | Dr David Austin<br><a href="mailto:david.austin@nhs.net">david.austin@nhs.net</a>   |  |
| Diabetes                                  | Dr Patrick Holmes<br><a href="mailto:patrickholmes@nhs.net">patrickholmes@nhs.net</a>                                     |  |
| Metabolic and Endocrine Disorders         | Dr Salman Razvi<br><a href="mailto:salman.razvi@newcastle.ac.uk">salman.razvi@newcastle.ac.uk</a>                         |  |
| Kidney Disorders (Renal Disorders)        | Dr Edwin Wong<br><a href="mailto:Edwin.Wong1@nhs.net">Edwin.Wong1@nhs.net</a>   |  |
|   | Dr Chris Harding<br><a href="mailto:c.harding@nhs.net">c.harding@nhs.net</a>  |  |
| Cancer                                    | Dr Helen Marr<br><a href="mailto:helen.marr2@nhs.net">helen.marr2@nhs.net</a>   | Penny Williams<br><a href="mailto:penny.williams@nhr.ac.uk">penny.williams@nhr.ac.uk</a>       |
| Haematology                               | Dr Mari Kilner<br><a href="mailto:mari.kilner@nhct.nhs.uk">mari.kilner@nhct.nhs.uk</a>                                    |  |
| Public Health and Prevention              | TBC   | Sharon Dorgan<br><a href="mailto:sharon.dorgan@nhr.ac.uk">sharon.dorgan@nhr.ac.uk</a>          |
| Social Care                               | Ruth McGovern<br><a href="mailto:r.mcgovern@newcastle.ac.uk">r.mcgovern@newcastle.ac.uk</a>                               |  |
| Children and Young People                 | Dr Arshid Murad<br><a href="mailto:arshid.murad@nhs.net">arshid.murad@nhs.net</a>   | Steve Pratt<br><a href="mailto:steven.pratt@nhr.ac.uk">steven.pratt@nhr.ac.uk</a>              |
| Dementias and Neurodegeneration (DeNDRon) | Dr Bob Barber<br><a href="mailto:robert.barber@cntw.nhs.uk">robert.barber@cntw.nhs.uk</a>                                 |  |

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| Genomics and Rare Diseases (Genetics)                   | Jorde Manera          | <a href="mailto:Jorde.manera@nhs.net">Jorde.manera@nhs.net</a>   |   |
| Mental Health   | Professor David Ekers | <a href="mailto:david.ekers@nhs.net">david.ekers@nhs.net</a>   |   |
| Reproductive Health                                     | Dr Aethele Khunda     | <a href="mailto:aethele.khunda@nhs.net">aethele.khunda@nhs.net</a>   |   |
| Anaesthesia, Perioperative Medicine and Pain Management | Dr Iain McCullagh     | <a href="mailto:I.mccullagh@nhs.net">I.mccullagh@nhs.net</a>   | Susan Ridge<br><a href="mailto:susan.ridge@nhr.ac.uk">susan.ridge@nhr.ac.uk</a> |
| Critical Care   | Dr Tony Rostron       | <a href="mailto:anthony.rostron@nhs.net">anthony.rostron@nhs.net</a>   |   |
| Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT)                              | Mr David Hamilton     | <a href="mailto:david.hamilton3@nhs.net">david.hamilton3@nhs.net</a>   |   |
| Musculoskeletal Disorders - Orthopaedics                | Dr David Townsend     | <a href="mailto:David.Townshend@northumbria-healthcare.nhs.uk">David.Townshend@northumbria-healthcare.nhs.uk</a> |   |
| Musculoskeletal Disorders - Rheumatology                | Dr David Coady        | <a href="mailto:d.coady@nhs.net">d.coady@nhs.net</a>   |   |
| Ophthalmology   | Mrs Deepali Varma     | <a href="mailto:deepali.varma1@nhs.net">deepali.varma1@nhs.net</a>   |   |
| Oral and Dental Health                                  | Dr Chris Vernazza     | <a href="mailto:chris.vernazza@nhs.net">chris.vernazza@nhs.net</a>   |   |
| Surgery   | Mr Bob Slight         | <a href="mailto:bob.slight@nhr.ac.uk">bob.slight@nhr.ac.uk</a>   |   |
| Trauma and Emergency Care                               | Dr Mark Harrison      | <a href="mailto:mark.harrison@northumbria-healthcare.nhs.uk">mark.harrison@northumbria-healthcare.nhs.uk</a>     |   |