

Research and Development

York

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Funding Opportunities, Grants & Schemes

Please find below several funding, grant, and scheme opportunities. Please follow the link for each opportunity for more information.

- **British Heart Foundation Project Grants**-For short-term research projects lasting up to three years and costing less than £350,000. For more information follow this [link](#).
- **Cancer Research UK Career Establishment Award**- The Career Establishment Award supports new group leaders who have a salaried independent position to establish their own independent research group. For more information follow this [link](#).
- **Wellcome Career Development Awards**-This scheme provides funding for mid-career researchers who have the potential to be international research leaders. They will develop their research capabilities, drive innovative programmes of work and deliver significant shifts in understanding related to human life, health and wellbeing. Deadline 25 July 2024. For more information follow this [link](#).
- **Kidney Research UK Research Projects and Start Up Grants**- Kidney Research UK is offering funding for standalone research projects and investigating new hypotheses. For more information follow this [link](#).
- **NIHR Liver Disease Public Health Programme** In recognition of the need to support the building of capacity and capability in liver disease research, and to ensure that NIHR research is conducted in geographical areas and with populations where health and social care needs are greatest, NIHR commissioned 15 Liver Disease research partnerships across the UK in 2022. This call is a continuum of this initial funding. For more information follow this [link](#)

Training and Development and Job Opportunities

- **Wellbeing of Women** – Are currently offering Research training fellowships for medical graduates, midwives, nurses and allied health professionals (AHPs) to undertake a PhD and lead their first substantial research project: [find out more](#)
- **Research Showcase Event - Institute for Health and Care Improvement**- Taking place at York St John University on the 25th of June 2024, 9:30am to 3:30pm. Join us for a day of celebration and collaboration at the Institute for Health and Care Improvement Research Showcase, hosted at York St John University. This event will highlight the breadth and impact of research related to health and social care conducted by both staff and students from across the university. Research will be showcased through a variety of posters, oral presentations, and other formats. If you are interested in attending please [Sign up here](#)

- **Newcastle Skills Academy-Make Space 4 Research**-Newcastle's 4Ps Programme was developed and designed by our Nurses, Midwives and Allied Health Professionals (NMAHPs) to support their needs no matter where they are on the “research interested” to “Aspiring Clinical Academic” continuum. For more information, please see the attached file



Newcastle Clinical
Skills Academy - NMA

- **Postgraduate Bursary offer for HCPs**
Regulated Health and Care Professionals * can now apply for bursaries to pay the course fees to undertake master's level courses aligned with the [Clinician Researcher Credentials Framework](#). The qualifications are for experienced healthcare practitioners who want to take on leadership roles in clinical research delivery, such as Co-Investigator or Principal Investigator.

**The adopted definition of regulated health and care professionals are those regulated healthcare professionals, excluding doctors and dentists, who are currently registered with one of the national regulatory bodies, including the Nursing and Midwifery Council, Health and Care Professions Council, General Dental Council, General Medical Council, General Optical Council, General Osteopathic Council, General Chiropractic Council, General Pharmaceutical Council, and the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland.*

For further information, please visit the [NIHR website](#).

These bursaries are part of a wider [HCP funding program](#) which has ten streams of work to develop careers within specific professions. Consequently, the bursaries are not available for some professions including doctors, dentists and clinical research practitioners. We recognise the impact this has on many colleagues who have a desire to undertake these courses and we are continuing to work with the Department of Health and Social Care in trying to address this. This restriction applies only to bursary and not course applications; all professions are eligible to apply for a place on one of the courses.

If you do not meet the eligibility criteria for the Regulated Health and Care Professionals bursaries, you can visit the [Clinician Researcher Credentials funding information](#) page to see what other funding is available. If there are any updates about bursaries for other professions we will email people registered for updates to inform them of this. You can register for updates by completing this [form](#).

News

- Our Annual Celebration of Research Event will be held on the 11th of November 2024! Tickets are now available at the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/901321385527?aff=oddtcreator>
- The Health Tech Awards are taking place on the 10th of October 2024. The deadline for nominations is the 19th of June 2024. More information and an entry form can be found [here](#).
- **POSTPONED-SHARC launch event that was to be held on 2nd July 2024 at Palm Court Hotel has been postponed due to pre-election directives affecting attending**

organisations and representatives. We will let you know as soon as possible when a new date has been secured.

Publications

- Please see the attached files for publications from Trust staff members.



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Grants submitted

The Crystal Study-Understanding and developing clear and acceptable terminology for patients to describe suspected and confirmed Age related macular degeneration- a mixed methods study. Archana Airody. Unsuccessful. £159,801

Healthcare Science Innovation Fellowship-Lower GI Cancer. Mark Hajjawi. Successful. £15,000

Home Eternal Feeding. Leucine Supplementation and body composition. A randomised feasibility pilot study. Dr Sarah Baker. Unsuccessful. £291,924

Can L-dopa reduce the symptoms and number of injections associated with neovascular age-related macular degeneration – The CURTAIL Study. Professor Richard Gale. Awaiting outcome £2,979,765.00

Who's Who in your Care Group – Care Group Research Leads

Medicines York [Dr Luke Bridge](#) (Deputy [Dr Chris Hayes](#))

Surgery and Family Heath [Dr Joe Carter](#) (Surgery) [Dr Dominic Smith](#) & [Dr Leila Fahel](#)
(Family Health)

Cancer, Specialist & Clinical Support Services [Dr Michael Lim](#) & [Mr Pouya Alaghband](#)
& [Dr Bhavani Rengabashyam](#)

Associate Chief AHP (Surgery) & Head of AHP Research [Dr Sarah Baker](#)

Lead Research Nurse and Head of Nursing Research [Cate Laven](#)

Clinical Lead for SHARC-[Dr Phil Dickinson](#)

Clinical Director of Research & Innovation [Professor James Turvill](#)

Research and Development in the Media

The BLOCK study, a collaboration between The Centre for Blood Research at University of York and Drs Kate Foley and Annika Whittle hit BBC Local News. The study aims to understand the DNA mutations linked to a group of chronic blood cancers, and investigate why, in some cases, they can suddenly become more aggressive. This exciting new area of research asks patients to donate extra blood samples for the Dr Katherine Bridge and her team at University of York to analyse. Patients can ask questions and decide whether or not to take part at any face-to-face clinical appointment at York Hospital. Read the full article [here](#)

Final note from Head of Research and Development

[Lydia Harris](#)

We have had another exceptional month's seeing our research goes from strength to strength. We continue to do extremely well in our ever-growing portfolio of commercial research and the Babi study, a longitudinal study following babies from birth is doing incredibly well. We have over 700 mothers enrolled now which is a fantastic achievement for our midwives across both York & Scarborough. We have also had some great news about some recent grant success (currently embargoed, details to follow) and we continue to submit more grants to national bodies such as NIHR. This work has grown so much we are now having to recruit a second grant writer to help with the demand! Finally, we are busy finalising our event in November, there are only a few tickets left and it's great to see our research being discussed in the national media! What a month! Thank you everyone for your continued support.



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