

## Focus on social care research

The NIHR Research for Patient Benefit programme (RfPB) has funded £2.5 million of new research into social care, bolstering NIHR's commitment to improving social care through high-quality evidence and building capacity for research in this field.

Following last year's successful funding call, the NIHR will be investing in future social care research with annual funding calls via their RfPB programme, under the banner Research for Social Care (RfSC). The RfSC call, planned to launch in September, will have a budget of £3 million.



The call will be supported by launch events for potential applicants hosted by the NIHR Research Design Service.

For more information about the funding call, please [visit the NIHR website](#).

## Social care research funding roadshow

14 October, 14.00-17.00, NCVO, London N1 9RL

[Registration is now open](#)

Attend this information session which will cover aspects of the social care funding call.

## Agenda

- Registration – 2-2.30pm

- Opening Remarks - 2.30pm
- NIHR RfPB social care call specification - 2.35pm
- Experiences of a previously successful applicant - 3pm
- Support for applicants - 3.20pm
- Audience Q&A - 3.30pm (Panellists to be confirmed)
- Tea Break and Networking - 3.45pm
- Finish - 17.00

### **Book a 1:1 session**

If you wish to book a 1:1 with an RDS adviser, please email [comms@rdslondon.co.uk](mailto:comms@rdslondon.co.uk). This is open to researchers based in London, Kent, Surrey and Sussex.

If you are intending to apply for the funding, we strongly encourage you to attend this event.

Attendance is free of charge, but [you must register](#).

This event is co-hosted by RDS London and RDS South East.

### **Who is RDS?**

#### **Supporting researchers at all stages of preparing grant applications**

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) helps to improve people's health and well-being through high-quality research. However, this requires strong research proposals which is where Research Design Service can help.

Funded by NIHR, the service was first established in 2008. There are 10 regional services in England. We support health and social care researchers across England on all aspects of developing and writing a grant application. This includes research design, research methods, identifying funding sources and involving patients and the public in research. Our advice is confidential and free.

To find out more: [www.nihr.ac.uk/rds](http://www.nihr.ac.uk/rds)

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