

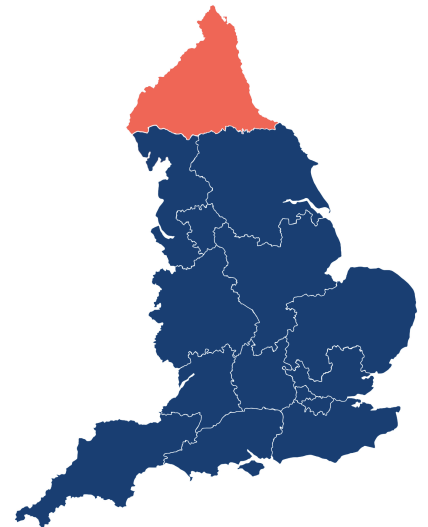
Call for public members of decision making committees

Are you interested in how research can improve people's health and wellbeing?

Do you think the public should have a voice in how research is organised and run?

We want to make the North East and North Cumbria the best place to deliver health and care research, with the public voice at the heart of what we do.

The Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust is seeking two enthusiastic and committed members of the public to work with the National Institute for Health and Care Research Clinical Research Network North East and North Cumbria (NIHR CRN NENC).



What does the role involve?

- **Lay Representative on the Partnership Group**
Four meetings a year in person, with a time commitment of up to five hours every three months.
- **Lay Representative on the Executive Board**
Six meetings a year in person and online, with a time commitment of up to five hours every other month.

You will be reimbursed for your time spent in meetings and reading the information prior to meetings. Travel to meetings or events will be arranged for you or refunded.

As a public member of our decision making committees, you will bring your own unique perspective from your own experiences in life. You will make sure that the public voice is a part of all of our work. The role holder will:

- Provide advice to help make our work understandable to the public
- Work with committee members and staff to identify, shape and share our work to support research delivery across the North East and North Cumbria
- Work with the committee members to respond to changes in national public involvement and engagement practice

Who should apply?

We are looking for members of the public who can:

- Actively listen to others
- Share their views with clinical, and management colleagues at all levels, across a range of organisations
- Ask questions about information provided
- Access online documents and use basic IT skills to read and reply to emails
- Represent the CRN NENC at other forums, meetings and events

How do I apply?

Applications are by letter of interest and short CV by **Monday 29th August 2022**.

The letter of interest should include why you are interested in the role and a little bit about who you are. Please include your contact details so we can get in touch with you.

The short CV just needs to list your experience, which could include any of the following:

- Voluntary roles
- Patient, service user or carer groups you have attended
- Research or consultations you have taken part in
- Jobs you have done
- Skills you have

You can submit your letter of application by email to: justine.smith@nihr.ac.uk or by post to: Justine Smith, LCRN, Regent Point, Regent Farm Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 3HD

Informal interviews will take place on **Friday 9th September between 1.30 and 5pm**

Further information

If you have any questions or would like to know more about this role, please contact: Justine Smith, Senior Strategic Manager

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