



## NICHS Grants applications – guidance notes.

- These guidance notes are for the 2025-2026 window.
- The application window opens on Tuesday 27th May 2025.
- This guidance document is in the application pack, which is online.
- <https://nichs.org.uk/research-policy/research/our-research-grants-programme/how-to-apply-to-the-srg-programme>

<b>Closing date</b>
4pm, Wednesday 27th August 2025.
No application will be accepted after this point.

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## General points about completing the form

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- Please follow these guidelines when completing your application. We may reject your application if we decide that it has not followed these guidelines.
- Complete all sections of the form.
- Ensure requested additional materials are returned with your completed application.
- Ensure that all signatures and declarations are complete.
- Supplementary materials are not accepted unless they evidence a section of your application (e.g. letters of endorsement, proof of ethical / regulatory approvals etc).

## Alternative format

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- The form is available in WORD and EXCEL. **Ideally we would prefer the form to be completed in excel but will also accept forms completed in a word version.**
- Excel form should be completed on desktop as some functions will not work online. It's macro-free, so should be safe to download.
- If you require an alternative format, please contact us as soon as possible to discuss. We will try to provide you a suitable alternative format, but we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

### If completing Word version

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Complete using the font Arial 11 Point.

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## If completing Word version

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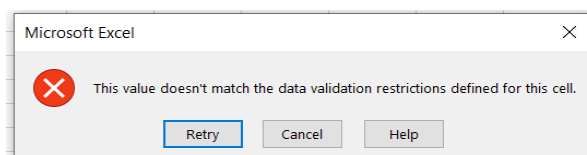
Adhere to word limits. If we feel you have exceeded these / deviated from guidance, we may reject your application.

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## If completing Excel version

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Open-ended boxes in the excel version have been restricted by word count. If exceeded, you will receive an error message like this:



We advise clicking “retry” – “cancel” will delete all content.

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We have provided a cell count next to each open box. Type and exit cell for updated cell count.

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Alternatively, type your text elsewhere and copy & paste once ready.

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## Plain English

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- We encourage you to write as clearly and simply as you can.
- We appreciate that it is difficult to communicate complex ideas in a simple manner, but writing this way increases the chances of your proposal being understood.
- This is important because you're trying to sell your idea to a variety of audiences.

- Plain English and how effectively you've described your study play a big part in discussions when scoring. If you've not sold the idea, then it might suffer when it comes to scoring as a result.

## Audiences who score your application

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Our **Senior Leadership Team** score your application on “Benefit to NICHHS”. Remember, they are not researchers. Plain English is the best way to ensure they understand what your study is about.

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**Scientific Research Committee (SRC)** score your application on all four criteria. SRC members possess a range of clinical and research skills and expertise, but they may not be familiar with your research area. Clearly and simply describe your study irrespective of whether they are familiar with your research area or not. This increases your chances of your study being funded.

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**PPI reps** sit on the SRC, so score on all criteria. Communicating clearly and simply increases the chances of your idea being understood. Clearly demonstrate the benefit to people living with CHS conditions, and how you've involved them in your study.

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- We understand that you may have to use technical / scientific terminology. We strongly encourage you to provide a Plain English Glossary to explain what these terms mean.
- A simple way of ensuring your application is written plainly, is to involve service users / patients / those who the research might be relevant to. We encourage you to involve stakeholders as much as possible - PPI is also discussed in scoring applications.

## section 1. about you and your team

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<b>PI</b>	Principal Investigator. The main applicant, responsible for the project, and primary contact.
<b>Alt PI</b>	“back up” Principal Investigator, and co-applicant.

### The PI must

- take responsibility for ensuring that the project will be completed;
- is the contract holder
- be based (i.e. work for) an institution within Northern Ireland.
- All correspondence will be directed to the PI.
- All correspondence re. project will come from PI
- Must be signatory for all relevant paperwork across life of study

### The Alt PI must

- be based (i.e. work for) an institution within Northern Ireland.
- be part of the research team.
- take over as PI in the event that the PI is unable to continue, or leaves their post prior to the end of the project.
- They will assume the responsibilities of PI.

You must clearly state roles and responsibilities of all your team, for all phases of research, in your application. (See other sections).



## Section 1.1, PI and Alt PI

<b>Tot. hrs you will allocate</b>	The number of hours you will allocate to the study per month.
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<b>Potential conflicts</b>	Refer to our Conflict of Interest (COI) policy.
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- List any potential COI, e.g. with people involved in the decision making process.
- [NICHS | Our People](#)
- [NICHS | Our Scientific Research Committee](#)
- Please find links to details of our SRC members and members of SLT.

<b>"I accept the terms of this role".</b>	PI and Alt PI must tick this box
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## Section 1.2, co-applicants

- Your team can consist of anyone you feel is suitable to the conduct of the study. We welcome studies that name co-applicants who are people living with CHS conditions, patients, members of the public (PPI)
- Co-applicants must be suitably experienced.
- They can be based in suitable institutions located in NI, or outside NI.
- PPI co-applicants should have clearly defined and meaningful roles in the project.

- It is highly recommended that the project team should include at least one individual with a proven track record in statistics or data analysis relevant to the project.
- Add additional co-applicants, if necessary, (append to table).

<b>Potential conflicts</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refer to our Conflict of Interest (COI) policy.</li> <li>• Follow guidance for COIs with PI &amp; Alt PI</li> </ul>
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## Section 2. CVs

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- You must provide CVs (academic, clinical, or technical), or letters of support / endorsement (other experts / team members).
- This should be no more than one page long.
- This should outline suitability to conduct the proposed research.
- Letters of support / endorsement are accepted for other experts / members of the research team (e.g. if you are involving patients or members of the public).

As a rule of thumb, CVs should aim to include the following information:

- full name,
- current position,
- major academic and professional qualifications and memberships,
- brief career history,
- current research grants held,
- research grants held in the past five years,
- total number of publications to date, and
- details of up to five recent relevant publications.



- In Northern Ireland, researchers, and their employers (or host institutions) share responsibility for ensuring appropriate criminal / related employment checks – for example Access NI.
- This applies to all members of your team.
- You are ultimately responsible for knowing when and what type of checks are required for a role.
- Researchers also have a responsibility to ensure they understand and comply with relevant legislation, including AccessNI requirements. By ticking CV box, we assume you understand and agree with this.

## Section 3, Summary of project (abstract)

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### 3.1 Study title

Where possible, please keep title short, clear, and in Plain English. Avoid Excessive jargon.

### 3.2 Abstract

- maximum of 250 words.
- We recommend using Plain English.
- The abstract should provide a concise summary of the major aspects of the project.
- This summary should be written in a way that it can be read separately, but it does not replace other sections of the application.

### 3.3 Proposed start date

Indicate the approximate start date. Please note, this is indicative, and we cannot guarantee this date.

### 3.4 Proposed duration

In months

### 3.5 Total amount requested

In sterling (please round to nearest pound)

## Section 4. Details of staff to be employed on the project.

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### 4.1 Staff to be employed on the project.

- Staff to be employed on the project.
- Choose type of staff e.g Research, Technical, clinical, other.
- If completing WORD version of form, enter the type of staff.
- If completing Excel, use the use dropdown list.
- Add rows as appropriate (but stick to format of table)

### 4.2 effort %

Please provide a breakdown of each staff member on the project.

### 4.3 cost by year

- Please provide a breakdown of salary costs, for each staff member, over the life of the project (annual).
- Outline both the overall and annual costs associated with the projects for research, technical and other staff.

If using Excel: "Total cost" (starting at cell J20), and cells L20:M24 are for office purposes only. Do not enter data.

## Sections 5-7. General Note

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- As a charity, we have a legal and moral duty to manage funds carefully.
- Our research is 100% funded by public donations, so it is important that you clearly demonstrate that the money you ask for will be used to produce a high quality study that will have some benefit in the "real world".
- You must show that you have planned strongly, and that you have considered contingencies (i.e. planned for loss of staff, delays, and other risks).
- **Be clear.** Show planning and show that you have thought carefully about what resources you need and how you will use them.
- **Be realistic** about what you can achieve with the money.
- Provide a strong justification for the decisions you make re. resources.
- Remember, the information you provide in your application will be used to determine whether your idea is realistic, whether you'll achieve what you set out, and whether your intended outcomes justify spending public money funding on the scale requested.

## Section 5, Consumables

5.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a cost and description of each consumable, for each year of your study.</li> <li>• If completing WORD version, enter year (Year 1, 2, 3, 4).</li> <li>• If completing Excel version, use dropdown to choose year.</li> <li>• Please note, NICHHS does not usually support the cost of equipment. We do not fund laptops, mobiles, tablets, or other technology for general use. If you require these, you must clearly demonstrate how it is essential to the study.</li> </ul>
5.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please provide justification of these costs</li> </ul>

Excel version: Tot. annual costs (cells K6:L12) are for office use, please do not fill in.

## Section 6, Travel

6.1, 6.2	Provide a cost and description of travel, for each year of your study
6.3	Please provide justification of these costs

Excel version: Tot. annual costs (cells N8:O12) are for office use, please do not fill in.

## Section 7, Exceptional items

7.1, 7.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a cost and description for all other items, for each year of your study</li> <li>• NICHS does not usually support the cost of equipment. We do not fund laptops, mobiles, tablets, or other technology for general use. If you require these, you must clearly demonstrate how it is essential to the study.</li> </ul>
7.3	Please provide justification of these costs

Excel version: Tot. annual costs (cells K6:L12) are for office use, please do not fill in.

## Section 8, Ethical & other considerations

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8.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please describe all ethical, governance, regulatory approvals you require for this study.</li> <li>• Where possible include likely timelines.</li> <li>• The PI is responsible for deciding what approvals are required, which procedures are applicable, and ensuring these are in place for the start of the proposed research.</li> <li>• Specify whether these will be in place by proposed start date.</li> </ul>
8.2	If not, please provide additional details, including what contingency plans you will put in place.
8.3	Please outline any other steps you have taken to protect and promote the interests of service users / patients in your study
8.4	Conflicts: describe how you will deal with potential conflicts you have listed.

Applications without approval (or a clear plan to have it in place by proposed start date) may be rejected.



- Applications that have been recommended for funding can only start once all approvals are in place.
- We appreciate that approval can take time, but if not in place, or delayed, we may withdraw our offer.
- Any modifications resulting from the approval process must be communicated to SRC. This may affect their recommendation for funding, and we may withdraw our offer.

## Section 9, Commercial & third-party interests

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9.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specify third party involvement / subcontracting – provide additional details and justification.</li> <li>• All third parties and subcontractors must align with NICHS values and strategies.</li> <li>• Subcontracted provision is any aspect of the funded research that will be delivered by a third party external to the applicant institutions. A sub-contractor is contracted by the applicants to carry out work or provide a service, for example app or web design, for the project. They are being paid a set amount for a set piece of work.</li> <li>• Any proposed subcontracted work should be clearly described and costed and must adhere to eligible costs outlined in the application. These costs must form part of the overall amount applied for.</li> <li>• Funding of subcontractors should be stated in sterling and as a % of the overall applied amount. We reserve the right to</li> </ul>
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	<p>reject any application where the subcontracted amounts are deemed excessive.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All sub-contracted work should be subjected to external competition to ensure best value for money through competitive purchasing processes. Where this is not possible because of the specialist nature of the work involved, it must be fully justified in the justification of resources.</li> <li>• The PI / institution is responsible for managing and delivering any grant awarded, including subcontracted services.</li> <li>• If you plan to subcontract any part of the proposed research to a third party, a formal contract must be in place before work can commence. If not secured in time, we may withdraw contract offer.</li> <li>• All issues pertaining to Intellectual Property and all other aspects of contracting are subject to the terms and conditions issued by NICHHS to any successful applicants.</li> </ul>
<b>9.2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specify commercial involvement – provide additional details and justification.</li> <li>• Give full details on any potential gains, nature of the involvement, the names of the directors of the company, the projected timescale to market, and any other information relevant to this commercial relationship.</li> <li>• NICHHS does not normally fund research that has chiefly commercial aims. However, each application will be considered on its merits, and you should ensure all relevant information is given in sufficient detail.</li> </ul>

## Section 10, Animal research

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- NICHS does not currently fund research that works directly on / with animals.
- We will consider applications that are based on previous animal research or use materials / data previously collected, and we will consider studies that may lead to animal research further down the line.

## Section 11, Registries and databases

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- We do not fund registries, database, or researcher tool development. This includes dashboards and data repository.

## Section 12. resubmissions and follow-on studies

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12.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indicate whether your application has been submitted previously to NICHS.</li> <li>• Give details of how this proposal has improved on your previous submission. Demonstrate clearly changes / modifications, and how you've actioned feedback from Committee.</li> </ul>
12.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give details of previous study, citing NICHS code; study end date; and key outputs &amp; outcomes.</li> </ul>
12.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If currently submitted, provide details. Please indicate to which organisation, the amount applied for, and the date when a decision expected.</li> <li>• If previously submitted, provide details of decision. Please indicate to which organisation, the amount applied for, and the decision received. If rejected, please indicate why.</li> </ul>



12.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One of the five priorities of research strategy is partnership working to maximise impact. We therefore welcome working with other organisations, co-funding from other sources.</li> <li>• We require that your application shows that this is planned, coherent, and that any funding is secured.</li> <li>• We strongly advise speaking to us prior to submission about the nature of the partnership, particularly if NICHHS are the "smaller" partner.</li> </ul>
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## Section 13, proposed study

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To give your application the best possible chance of being accepted – design it well. Whilst there are no prescribed headings, we require a thorough account of planning / design, conduct, and analysis of your proposed study.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A well-defined research question</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A clear understanding of current knowledge (and gaps) in your domain of interest e.g. a review of the current literature or similar</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence justifying the need for your study and that it is novel.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clearly defined aims, objectives and a demonstration of how your hypotheses are appropriate for meeting these objectives.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clearly describe your research design, including timeframes and contingencies.</li> <li>• Ensure design is appropriate to the type of question asked.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is vital to add as much detail as possible on design and methodology, including justification of sample size, power calculations and sample selection and exclusion criteria where applicable.</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If certain design / statistical decisions have been made (including to exclude or rule out a certain technique / approach), explain why - do not assume we know.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide a clear statement of justification for sampling decisions.</li> <li>Where sampling calculations have been made, please provide enough information to allow the sample size calculation to be independently verified.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Demonstrate that the research team are suitably experienced with access to resources and facilities.</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>You are encouraged to seek professional research design and statistical advice before submission.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Scientific Research Committee pays particular attention to this requirement and has very high standards and expertise in this field.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An application is likely to be viewed unfavourably where statistical and/or design advice / input has been deemed necessary by the Committee, but not demonstrated in the application.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If you decide not to seek this help, clearly justify your decision. Again, do not assume we know why.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please indicate whether you took advice on design &amp; methodology in developing your application. If not, justify.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We recommend viewing Prof Mike Clarke's application workshop presentation (video or slides) - in application pack</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applications which fail to comply with these requirements will not be accepted.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please indicate whether you proposed study has been informed by a review of the current literature / related. If you have not referred</li> </ul>

<p>to any reviews / related work, please clearly state why you did not, and how you determined the need for your study.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please outline how your proposed research project relates to the current NICHHS research strategy. Specifically, how will it help us meet our strategic goals, improve services, and help those living with / at risk of Chest, Heart, and stroke conditions.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please clearly describe short to medium, and longer terms impacts / outcomes (with predicted timescales).</li> </ul>

## References and diagrams

<p>If completing WORD</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No more than two additional sheets A4 for references</li> <li>• Should be typed in font Arial 11.</li> <li>• Small, legible diagrams may be included.</li> <li>• In line references should be provided, using the Harvard or Vancouver system.</li> <li>• The authors and affiliations of any unpublished results that are cited should also be included in the reference list.</li> </ul>
<p>If completing EXCEL</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No more than two additional sheets for references (tick to confirm included).</li> <li>• Should be typed in font Arial 11.</li> <li>• Diagrams may be included, preferably in a WORD doc. Clearly reference and label these (so, if Excel refers to Diagram 1, Word Document should have title "Diagram 1", immediately above the image).</li> <li>• In line references should be provided, using the Harvard or Vancouver system.</li> </ul>

- The authors and affiliations of any unpublished results that are cited should also be included in the reference list.

## Section 14, proposed study - plain English

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- See comments re. PPI. We recommend involving relevant stakeholders in designing or reviewing your application.
- Please refer to Strategy and workshop materials for additional guidance.

<b>14.1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We understand that you may have to use technical / scientific terminology.</li> <li>• We strongly encourage you to provide a Plain English Glossary to explain what these terms mean.</li> <li>• Do not underestimate the importance of this section – this helps PPI, SLT, Comms, and other non-research readers understand your study, and as such, helps “sell” your study to those who have a say in deciding whether it is worth funding.</li> </ul>
<b>14.2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a brief, plain English description of your study.</li> </ul>
<b>14.3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How many people are affected? This is the population who will potentially benefit.</li> <li>• You can provide a sample size in 14.4</li> <li>• If you do not know the population size, state this clearly, and explain why, and how it affects your study.</li> </ul>
<b>14.5</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why is your study needed?</li> <li>• Why should we fund it with public donations? Would members of the public “buy into” your study? Would they see the need?</li> <li>• What makes it valuable?</li> <li>• Would the anticipated outcomes be of any interest to people living with CHS conditions, their families, or to the wider public?</li> </ul>

<b>14.6</b>	• Describe who will benefit and how. What are the benefits, in real terms, for people living with or at risk of Chest, Heart and Stroke illnesses, and their families and carers?
<b>14.7</b>	• Provide a brief, plain English description of your method. We advise you keep it simple.
<b>14.8</b>	• Provide a brief description of intended outcomes and benefits.

## Section 15, PPI and related

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- Research we fund should be inclusive in a way that is appropriate.
- While not all research we fund will require co-creation or patient-led involvement, we do expect applicants to take seriously the needs and values of the key beneficiaries of research where relevant.
- We want to see evidence of PPI in your application - this be simply that you gave proper thought to it, and if you decide on no or minimal PPI, you can justify it.
- Where possible, we want to see meaningful PPI: involving relevant people as members of your team; or getting them to write or review the content for this section of the application form.
- PPI is scored as part of the criteria, and an application lacking it (or justification for not having it) may fair less well than those that do.

<b>15.1</b>	• Has there been PPI in the design of this research proposal? What does it look like?
<b>15.2</b>	• Has there been PPI in the development of this application? What does it look like?

<b>15.3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will there be PPI in the planning and delivery of this research? What does it look like?</li> </ul>
<b>15.4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will participating in this research directly benefit those taking part? How and when?</li> </ul>
<b>15.5</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outline any other steps you have taken to protect and promote the interests of service users / patients in your study.</li> <li>Outline that you've considered Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) into your proposal / proposed study. How have you have built it in?</li> <li>View our EDI position statement</li> </ul>
<b>15.6</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outline any other steps you have taken to protect and promote the interests of service users / patients / public (if relevant).</li> </ul>
<b>15.7</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will you require involvement of NICHHS service users in your study?</li> <li>If so, you must contact us to discuss before submitting your application. If you do not contact us, we may reject your application.</li> </ul>

## Section 16. Milestones and deliverables

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<b>16.1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Management plan- it is essential that the research is well managed, and appropriate plans are in place to cover contingencies:</li> <li>Please outline the key roles and responsibilities of the members of the project team across the project and describe any contingency plans.</li> <li>A clear, logical management plan to demonstrate how you will efficiently deploy all resources including staff. So, we require:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clearly defined milestones, realistic deliverables, and realistic timeframes</li> <li>Clearly outlined roles and responsibilities.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clear contingency planning for the departure of the Principal Applicant from the host institution, the loss of other applicants, and the loss of participants.</li> <li>• Milestones should be dated by month of the project. These are used to monitor progress.</li> <li>• Please indicate the date by which these will likely to be achieved and the person responsible for ensuring this.</li> <li>• Deliverables are the outcomes of the project and may include the production of publicity material and the dissemination of results by various means.</li> </ul>
<b>16.2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You are required to submit a Gantt chart detailing milestones and deliverables.</li> <li>• Please provide an anticipated time scale for the project.</li> <li>• This should include the proposed start and end date for different stages of the project, e.g. sample selection, data collection, data analysis.</li> </ul>
<b>16.3, 16.4</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please provide a summary of these in this sheet. Keep it brief – this is for quick reference.</li> </ul>

## Section 17, dissemination

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<b>17.1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe how you plan to assist NICHHS in any publicity aimed at raising the profile of the project and outline your plans for dissemination of results within Northern Ireland and further afield. Please quantify outputs as far as possible, and provide appropriate timelines.</li> </ul>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outline plans to actively promote NICHHS role in funding your work, and how you plan to assist NICHHS in any publicity aimed at raising the profile of the project</li> </ul>
<b>17.2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please outline steps for sharing of anticipated publications in open access</li> </ul>
<b>17.3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registration on a publicly available database is desirable. Please indicate if the study will be registered and name the database, and give the Registration Number.</li> </ul>

## Section 18, expert reviewers

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- Nominate at least three, preferably five, individuals who have the expertise to review this project.
- Outline their areas of expertise and any relationships they may have with the applicants that may lead to conflict of interest. Reviewers will be asked to complete an COI form. If you are unsure, leave blank.
- NICHHS does not undertake to use these reviewers. Where possible, we will secure a reviewer from your nominated list, and identify a suitably qualified “independent” reviewer

### Reviewers must:

- be familiar with the field of research;
- reside outside Northern Ireland. If you recommend an NI reviewer, we will ignore. Please contact us if you feel there are mitigating circumstances for using this reviewer (i.e. niche field, etc); and
- should not be current or recent collaborators with the PI, Alt PI, or co-applicants.

## Section 19, Institution details and signature



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- Provide details and signatures of the institution or authority who employs the Principal Applicant, and which will administer any approved award.
- This application should be submitted by /through the
  - a) Head of Department and
  - b) The Chief Financial Officer of the Health Trust, University or other organisation who will be responsible for administering any grant that may be awarded.
- Please ensure that this is fully completed and signed as required.
- By signing, you confirm that are no conflicts of interest, and no previously upheld / outstanding disciplinary actions or active sanctions for any of the named researchers.

## **Section 20, PI declaration and signature**

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PI to sign (Alt PI can sign in lieu)

## Resources

• <a href="#"><u>PIER NI (Public Involvement Enhancing Research)   Public Health Agency - Research &amp; Development in Northern Ireland</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>Personal and Public Involvement (PPI) in Research   Public Health Agency - Research &amp; Development in Northern Ireland</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>PPI Resource Library for Researchers   Public Health Agency - Research &amp; Development in Northern Ireland</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>Public Involvement - Health Research Authority</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>PIER NI (Public Involvement Enhancing Research)   Public Health Agency - Research &amp; Development in Northern Ireland</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>Equality, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion - UK Research Integrity Office</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>edi-within-the-project-cycle-toolkitexternal.pdf</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Toolkit - ARC</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>Guidance for equality, diversity and inclusion – UKRI</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>www.health-ni.gov.uk/publications/northern-ireland-implementation-plan-clinical-research-recovery-resilience-and-growth</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>https://research.hscni.net/hsc-statistical-and-methodological-support</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>Plain-English-Summary-Guidance-V1.0-02.02.2022.pdf</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>Toolkit: How to create a Plain English summary of your research - ARC</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>Writing a plain language (lay) summary of your research findings - Health Research Authority</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>http://www.plainenglish.co.uk/</u></a>
• <a href="#"><u>Readability calculator: https://readable.com</u></a>