

Context

The Research Design Service South West (RDS SW) works with people developing grant applications for applied health research providing, in particular, methodological advice and related support.

Our aims are to increase the number of high-quality applications to open national peer-reviewed funding competitions. To further this, we are running a support event to highlight NIHR Fellowship opportunities.

There are many types of NIHR Fellowship award on offer, so how do you know which one is the best for you? When and how do you apply? What makes a good application? If you want to know more about NIHR Fellowships - and other NIHR training and career development awards - then this event is for you.

The event will explain about the various NIHR Fellowship awards available and highlight what makes a strong application. This will help you to focus your efforts and ideas appropriately.

Competition for these awards is fierce and the event aims to help participants understand how to improve their chances of success. You can also pre-book an individual advice session to discuss any aspect of your application.

Morning session

There will be a number of speakers - from the NIHR as well as existing panel members and award holders - and topics covered will include:

- an overview of the different types of Fellowship schemes available
- the NIHR strategic review of training, and implications for the future
- an explanation of the benefits and opportunities a Fellowship can confer
- top tips from Fellowship panel members
- developing a competitive application
- experiences and advice from award recipients
- changes to the application form and process
- where and how you can get help locally - the RDS SW.

Afternoon support session

Researchers currently developing, or considering developing, an application for an NIHR Fellowship award are invited to take advantage of a one-to-one appointment to discuss their proposed study.

In order to secure a slot you will need to select the appropriate option on the online registration form.

We will contact you to arrange your appointment and you will be asked to provide a brief summary of your proposed research in advance.

Who is it for?

The event is open to health and social care professionals and academic partners working within the South West. Places are limited and will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis.

Where and when?

The event will be held on Friday 24 November at the Streatham Campus of the University of Exeter.

How do I register?

In order to secure your place at this event, please complete the online registration form available on our website at:
www.rds-sw.nihr.ac.uk/events.htm

The **deadline** for receipt of registrations is **1pm, Friday 10 November 2017**.



Cost

There is no charge to attend this event and refreshments and lunch will be provided.

Contacting the RDS South West

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