

Update from NRS Reproductive Health and Childbirth Specialty Group November 2019



Research Midwives/ Nurses interested in joining The Reproductive Health and Childbirth National Research Champion (RHC-NRC) Group to represent Scotland

See Summary below and full remit attached:

The RHC-NRC group was established in December 2014. All Local Clinical Research Network's (LCRNs), via a recruitment process, selected a Senior RH&C Research Nurse/Midwife to become the Research Champion for their region.

One of the main aims is to be a community of practice consisting of Reproductive Health and Childbirth research active Nurses, Midwives & Allied Health Professionals representing all 15 LCRNs with associate members from the devolved nations of Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

- Meetings will be quarterly.
- Each Champion will meet regularly with relevant members of their LCRN RH&C Leadership Team to communicate individual and group outputs.
- Each LCRN must be represented in a minimum of 3 face to face meetings per year.
- Champion Forum meetings will commence at 10.30 am and finish at 15.30 pm, venue will rotate between London and Leeds.
- All Champions are expected to actively contribute and participate in meetings.

The next meeting will be held on 10th January in Leeds, 10.00 for 10.30 am until 3.30 pm.

If you are interested let Abha/ Txaro know ASP and please include a brief CV
(abha.maheshwari@abdn.ac.uk or maria.amezaga@nhs.net)

Good News Stories



C-STICH2. Emergency Cervical Cerclage to Prevent Miscarriage and Preterm Birth

NHS Grampian have screened 16 patients, to date, second place in the UK!

Many Congratulations to Dr Mairead Black, Sandra Cant and team!

C-STICH2 is an England led trial with 24 Centres, 31 Sites open to recruitment in the UK.

Two sites are active in Scotland, NHS Grampian and NHS Lothian; also proposed in NHS Fife.

Please send your Good News to abha.maheshwari@abdn.ac.uk or maria.amezaga@nhs.net



PRISM Trial. Progesterone therapy for women with early pregnancy bleeding

The Birmingham team who led this trial have requested if you could please complete this short survey: <http://bit.ly/p4survey>

The purpose is to capture how much practice has changed/ intended to change following the publication of PRISM in the New England Journal of Medicine <https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMoa1813730>.



Review of the NHS Research Scotland (NRS) Networks and Specialty Groups: Stakeholder Survey

The Chief Scientist Office (CSO) is undertaking a review of the NHS Research Scotland (NRS) topic-specific support infrastructure. As part of the review the CSO is seeking the views of stakeholders on their experience of working with the NRS infrastructure and how we can work to ensure optimum performance going forward. The CSO has set up a survey that asks 10 key questions around how the networks are configured to meet current and future challenges, and to seek your opinions on what you feel the optimum arrangements to be.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/B9YPTG6>

The survey will remain open until **Tuesday 10th December 2019**. For more information: [click here](#)



Wellbeing of Women are inviting applications to their 2020 Research Project Grants round

For further details visit: [Wellbeing of Women website](#). If you have any queries, please contact [Jeremy Barratt](#), Head of Research at Wellbeing of Women (jbarratt@wellbeingofwomen.org.uk)

Applications are invited to both the following funding streams:

1. Research Project Grants
2. Research Project Grants in Scotland (jointly funded by the Scottish Government Chief Scientists Office).

[Details of this call below:](#)



Chief Scientist Office joint funding call with Wellbeing of Women

Applicants can apply for up to £200k, the total amount available under this joint funding call is £400k. This call will cover laboratory, health and translational research in the field of women's reproductive or gynaecological health, to include problems in one of the following three areas: Pregnancy, Birth and the postpartum period; General wellbeing surrounding women's health issues; and Gynaecological cancers. Proposed work must be addressing a clinical or patient need and have clinical relevance within 5 years from the end of the project. We are particularly encouraging applications in one of the following priority themes:

1. Menopause
2. Studies using routinely collected data which are addressing any women's reproductive or gynaecological health theme e.g. using data to generate prediction models to personalise care
3. Urogynaecology, specifically looking at:
 - Innovative methods for assessment of women with urinary incontinence
 - Long-term outcomes for surgery for stress urinary incontinence (SUI) and pelvic organ prolapse (POP)

For further details and how to apply please visit the [Wellbeing of Women website](#).

The deadline for applications is 1 pm on 13 February 2020.

For more information please visit the [CSO website](#), or contact [Jeremy Barratt](#), Head of Research at Wellbeing of Women (jbarratt@wellbeingofwomen.org.uk) or [Dr Alan McNair](#) at CSO (Alan.McNair@scotland.gsi.gov.uk)