

# NIHR Incubators

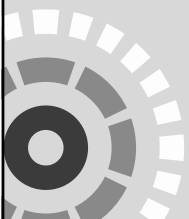


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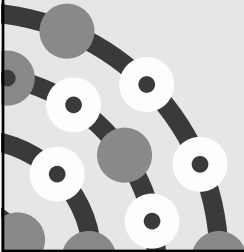
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- What we do at the NIHR Academy
- NIHR Incubators (Background and Concept)
- Overview of current NIHR Incubators





# An introduction to the NIHR



## NIHR's mission is to improve the health and wealth of the nation through research



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**We engage and involve patients carers and the public**



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**NIHR is the nation's largest funder of health and social care research**

We fund or part-fund over 10,000 front-line research delivery staff throughout the NHS

We're funding more than 1,000 active health and social care research projects

More than 2,000 researchers hold our career development awards

More than a million participants take part in research supported by the NIHR each year

# The role of NIHR Academy



## Our Purpose and Aim

- To develop a highly-skilled academic research workforce capable of advancing the best research which improves health, and benefits society and the economy
- We aim to attract, train and support the best health and care researchers whilst enabling them to tackle the complex challenges being faced now and in the future.



We invest in academic career pathways for health and care researchers from all professional backgrounds through the NIHR Academy



## Overview

- Strategic Review of Training
- NIHR Academy launched in 2018
- Four funding programmes:
  - Personal Awards Programme
  - Integrated Academic Training Programme
  - HEE-NIHR Integrated Clinical Academic Programme
  - Infrastructure and Capacity Building Structures
- Other Member support and engagement activities
  - Development and support programmes
  - Annual Members' Conference




NIHR RESEARCH CAREER PATHWAYS	PRE-DOCTORAL	DOCTORAL	POST-DOCTORAL (EARLY)	POST-DOCTORAL (SENIOR)	CHAIR
<b>FELLOWSHIPS FOR ALL</b> NIHR Fellowships, NIHR Research Professorships and other awards	Pre-doctoral Fellowship	Doctoral Fellowship	Advanced Fellowship Development & Skills Enhancement Award		Research Professorship
<b>HEALTH &amp; SOCIAL CARE PROFESSIONALS (NON-DOCTORS/DENTISTS)</b> HEE/NIHR Integrated Clinical Academic Programme	HEE/NIHR Pre-doctoral Clinical Academic Fellowship	HEE/NIHR Clinical Doctoral Research Fellowship	HEE/NIHR Clinical Lectureship	HEE/NIHR Senior Clinical Lectureship	
<b>LOCAL AUTHORITY &amp; LOCAL AUTHORITY SUPPORTING SERVICE EMPLOYEES (EXCLUDING NHS EMPLOYEES)</b> NIHR Local Authority Academic Fellowship Programme (pilot)	NIHR Pre-doctoral Local Authority Fellowship (pilot)	NIHR Doctoral Local Authority Fellowship (pilot)			
<b>DOCTORS AND DENTISTS</b> NIHR Integrated Academic Training Programme	In-Practice Fellowship Academic Clinical Fellowship		Clinical Lectureship		
<b>RESEARCH TRAINING FOR ALL</b> Through NIHR Infrastructure & Schools	Biomedical Research Centres • Applied Research Collaborations Patient Safety Translational Research Centres • NIHR Schools • Health Protection Research Units				


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# NIHR Incubators



## NIHR Incubators – the background



Key recommendation of the 'NIHR Strategic Review of Training' was for the development of **NIHR Incubators**; as an approach to support capacity building and multidisciplinary career development in areas of strategic need.

## NIHR Incubators – the concept



Incubators are:-

- Bespoke to address the needs of specific areas and communities
- Provide targeted career development support
- Aim to encourage early career interest in target disciplines and build identifiable communities
- Has been one competition in 2019
- Currently 10 active incubators and one pilot regional approach

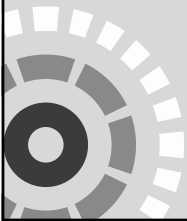
## Incubators – currently active

### Year 1 Incubators (April 2019-March 2022)

- Emergency Care
- Health Data Science
- Nursing and Midwifery
- Primary Care
- Public Health
- Social Care

### Year 2 Incubators (Apr 2020-Mar 2023)

- Methodology
- **Clinical Education**
- Advanced Surgical Technology
- Mental Health



## Work to enhance visibility of the NIHR Incubators

### NIHR Incubators launched for Clinical Education, Advanced Surgical Technology, Mental Health and Methodology

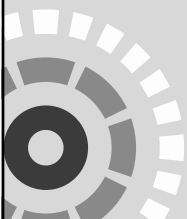
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Four new NIHR incubators have been formed to support and advocate academic research careers in the fields of clinical education, advanced surgical technology, mental health and methodology - all areas of strategic need and importance to NIHR.

News announcement of 4 new Incubators on NIHR website (<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/news/nihr-incubators-launched-for-clinical-education-advanced-surgical-technology-mental-health-and-methodology/25514>)

Descriptions of each Incubator and links out to relevant webpages on NIHR website (<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/health-and-care-professionals/learning-and-support/incubators.htm>)





## Work to enhance visibility of the NIHR Incubators



Recently published Nursing and Midwifery Incubator case study *“One year on: how the nursing and midwifery incubator is building research capacity?”*

- highlighting the challenges faced, progress so far and future opportunities/vision. Details can be found [here](#).

