

Public Information Pack (PIP) Booklet 1: A quick guide

2018. How to get actively involved in NHS, public health and social care research – A quick guide.

The Public Information pack (PIP) is made up of four booklets and is for members of the public who are interested in getting involved in NHS, public health and social care research. The booklets have been produced by INVOLVE with support and advice from members of the public to help us ensure we cover the kind of information people need when first getting involved in research.

The other three booklets in the series are:

[PIP 2: Getting started](#)

[PIP 3: Finding out more](#)

[PIP 4: Jargon buster](#)

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IN Bulletin 5 – Clinical Research Ambassador Group

Welcome to the fifth issue of our IN: Bulletin.

This bulletin looks at the Clinical Research Ambassador Group (CRAG) based at Birmingham Heartlands Hospital.

National Standards for Public Involvement

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Guidance on co-producing a research project

Co-producing a research project is an approach in which researchers, practitioners and the public work together, sharing power and responsibility from the start to the end of the project, including the generation of knowledge.

This guidance is a first step in moving toward clarity about what we mean by co-producing a research project. It explains the key principles and features of co-producing a research project and suggests ways to realise the principles and key features. Finally, the guidance outlines some of the key challenges that will need addressing, in further work, to aid those intending to take the co-producing research route.

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IN Bulletin 4 – Health of

adults who have a learning disability

Welcome to the fourth issue of our IN: Bulletin.

This bulletin looks at the Health of adults who have a learning disability

IN Bulletin 3 – My role as a public contributor

Welcome to the third issue of our IN: Bulletin.

This bulletin looks at how Ruth got involved with health research and how she perceives the journey.

IN: Bulletin 2 – The Urgent Care Study

Welcome to the second issue of our new IN: Bulletin.

This bulletin looks at the involvement experiences of Fred and Dave who have been involved in different ways alongside Lead Researcher Shireen Patel from CLAHRC East Midlands.

IN: Bulletin 1 – The AQUA-Trial

Welcome to the first issue of our new IN: Bulletin.

The IN Bulletin provides an opportunity to share journeys in public involvement. For public members and researchers or staff to show what is really needed in terms of support and resource alongside the impacts for all parties. Future IN bulletins will showcase public reviewers, researchers working in challenging areas, service users who have travelled to become service user researchers.

We hope you will enjoy hearing personal accounts of public involvement, the differences made and if you have a journey to share please contact us.

NIHR Public Involvement Leads National Meeting Report

In November 2016 INVOLVE hosted a national meeting of public involvement leads from across the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR), Academic Health Science Networks (AHSNs), and Medical Research Charities.

The aim of the meeting was to bring together staff in public involvement posts in key research organisations to:

- **Update:** national strategy for NIHR & Public Involvement,

INVOLVE and work programmes supporting delivery of Going the Extra Mile Recommendations.

- **Identify:** the learning and development needs, career pathways, and skill sets of public involvement Leads
- **Shape:** NIHR Public Involvement Standards and indicators
- **Network:** with colleagues and support collaboration.

Over 100 public involvement leads and people in other similar roles participated in the day, and there was high demand for places. A list of those attending can be found [here](#). This was the second time a meeting has been held; the first being in July 2014 with approximately half of participants being present at this first meeting.

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What you need to know about payment

An introductory guide for members of the public who are considering active involvement in NHS, public health or social care research.

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Please note that benefits guidance and tax legislation have been subject to considerable change/reinterpretation since 2019. Any INVOLVE documents referring to the payment of involvement fees may now be out of date and are pending a review during 2020. INVOLVE's guidance should not be substituted for professional advice, and INVOLVE accepts no liability for decisions or actions taken as a result of its guidance. You are always recommended to take your own tax, finance or legal

advice.