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# Working with the CLRN

## Health Service Research

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# **Comprehensive Clinical Research Network (CCRN) in England**

- To provide the NHS infrastructure for supporting clinical research via its 25 CLRNs
- To streamline the research management function and reduce bureaucracy
- Covers all areas of healthcare and disciplines



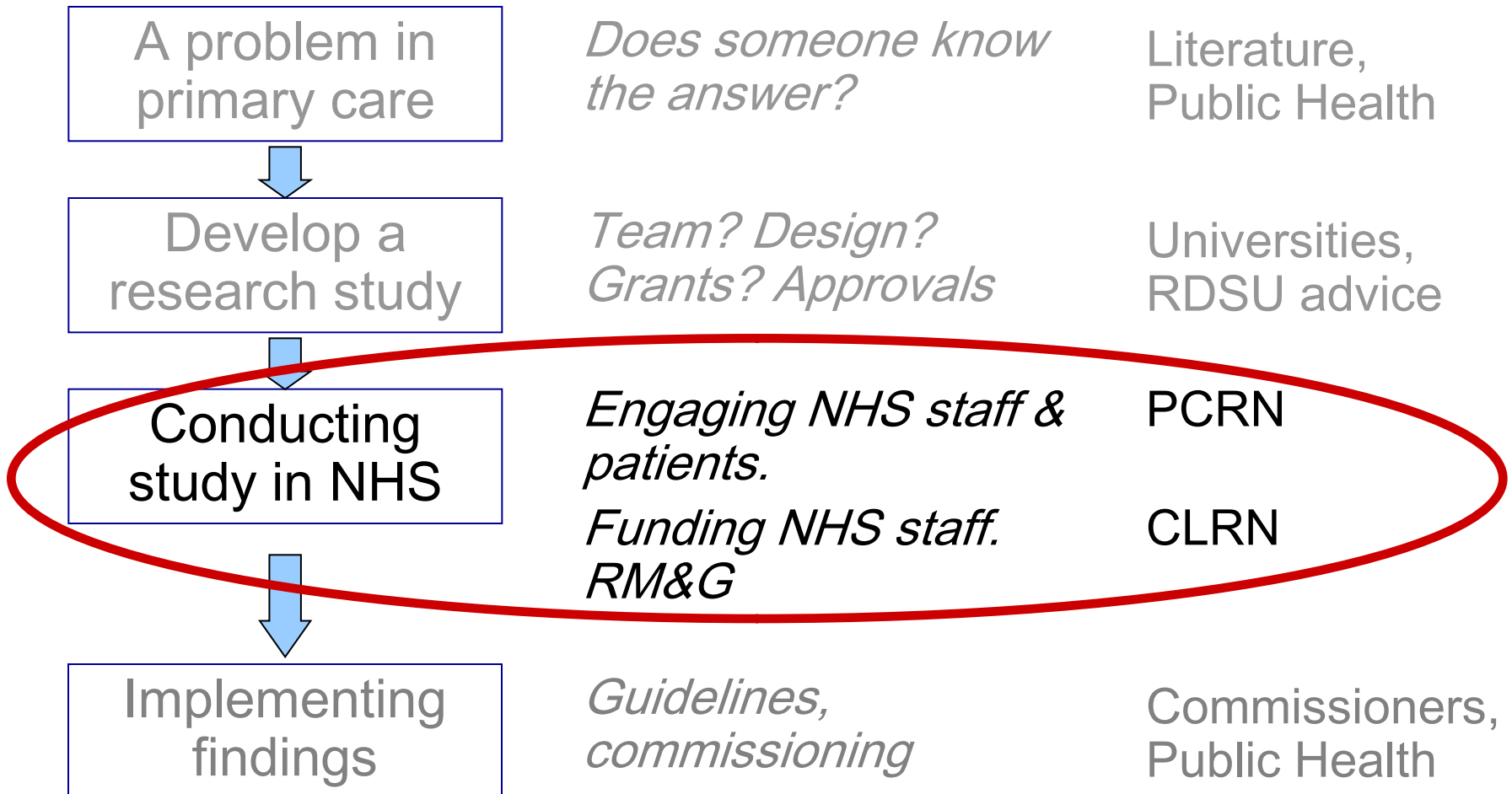
# Roles of CLRN

- To deliver RM&G services efficiently and safely
- To support Local Specialty Groups
- To support service to recruit the local population to high quality research opportunities delivered by well trained and competent staff in all areas of health care.

# Quality: NIHR Portfolio

- Co-ordinated nationally
- Studies with competitive national funding
- Peer review
- Local prioritisation for our work
- Essential for NIHR support funding
- Local feasibility work
- Ensuring ethics and NHS permissions are in place

# Evidence and practice



# Local Specialty Groups

- Work with national Specialty Groups
- Local multidisciplinary experts in recruiting and understanding the 'do ability' of studies within their specialist area of health care.
- CLRN supports meetings to engage with portfolio studies looking for recruitment and offers advice to studies at development stage, sometimes pre-portfolio,
- Not for study development !

# Specialty Groups

- Age & Ageing
- Anaesthetics
- Cardiovascular
- Clinical Genetics
- Critical Care
- Dermatology
- ENT
- Gastroenterology
- Health Services Research
- Hepatology
- Immunology & Inflammation
- Infectious Diseases & Microbiology
- Injuries & Accidents
- Metabolic & Endocrine
- Musculoskeletal
- Nervous System Disorders
- Non-Malignant Haematology
- Ophthalmology
- Oral & Dental
- Paediatrics
- Public Health
- Renal
- Reproductive Health & Childbirth
- Respiratory
- Surgery
- Urogenital

# HSR open studies as at 1/02/11

- **Transitions for older adults at the end of life**  
Transitions between services at the end of life for older people patient and provider perspectives
- **Impact of the learning disability DES-quantitative study** Introduction of the English Directly Enhanced Service for Learning Disability: Monitoring the public health impact and quality of health care
- **Socioeconomic inequalities in Chlamydia & screening in young people** Cross-sectional study to examine socioeconomic inequalities in Chlamydia positivity and use of screening
- **Explaining Health Managers Information Behaviour and Use** Explaining Health Managers Information Behaviour and Use

# Open studies cont'd

- **Cost efficient service provision in neurorehabilitation** Cost efficient service provision in neurorehabilitation: defining needs, costs and outcomes for people with long term neurological conditions (database project)
- **Comparing the Consultations of Different Prescribers** The Sociology of Prescribing: what can we learn from new prescribers?
- **Being a Manager, Becoming a Professional** Being a Manager, Becoming a Professional? Exploring the Use of Management Knowledge across Communities of Practice in Healthcare Organisations

# Open studies cont'd

- **A Universal Form for Treatment Options: Development and evaluation** A Universal Form for Treatment Options as an alternative to DNAR: Development and Evaluation
- **Breaking bad news to people with learning disabilities** Breaking bad news and communicating about illness with people with learning disabilities

# HSR studies in Set up

ID	ISR CTN	Acronym	Title	PrimStudyD esign	ActiveS tat us	OpenToNewSites
9	6 5 5	Evaluating high quality care for all	High Quality Care for All: Evaluating Progress, Problems and Promise	Observational	in Set-up	No
9	2 7 1	Improving health and social care delivery	Improving health and social care delivery through participation: time banks as a site for co-production	Interventional	in Set-up	Yes, within and outside lead country
9	7 2 3	Measuring Harm & Quality Improvement in Welsh NHS	Measuring Harm and Informing Quality Improvement in the Welsh NHS	Observational	in Set-up	Yes, within lead country only
9	0 9 5	Sepsis Pathophysiological & Organisational Timing: In Depth - (SPOT)id	Do measures of duration and trajectory of illness refine definitions of sepsis phenotypes?	Observational	in Set-up	Yes, within lead country only
9	5 8 8	Sustainability of organisational innovation	The medium-term sustainability of organisational innovations in the National Health Service	Observational	in Set-up	No