

RESEARCH SUPPORT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRIMARY & COMMUNITY HEALTH TEAMS LOCAL ENHANCED SERVICE (LES) CLINICAL RESEARCH

LES Step 2 (Contract 1)

LES Step 2 (Contract 1) is for those with a track record recruiting patients into the NIHR Portfolio studies. This step applies to all new primary and community base service teams that would like to start developing an infrastructure within their service in order to maintain research active and would like to take part in more than one portfolio study within one year.

TASK	ACTION	COMPLETED
1. Complete the application form	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please complete the online application form: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/EH_CLRN_LES_appln 	
2. Wait to hear if your application is successful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On receipt of confirmation please: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Read, sign & return the funding application to the Cluster Manager – please keep a file copy Read, sign & return your funding agreement to the Cluster Manager – please keep a file copy Invoice your PCT for the £750 annual lump sum 	
3. Sign up for at least one portfolio study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss the studies you are interested in with your local Facilitator/Research Nurse as they will have information on which recruiting studies will be best suited to your research experience Once agreed let your local named Facilitator/ Research Nurse know which study you have signed up for & seek support from them as required 	
At LES Step 2 (Contract 1) you will then be expected to:		
4. Nominate a clinical research lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nominate a lead 	
5. Research lead to complete online GCP (as a minimum requirement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Research lead to complete GCP via the Network, if not already done in LES Step-1, your local named Facilitator/ Research Nurse will set the clinical research lead up with a learning account 	
6. Consider studies on a regular basis with a view to recruit into at least 2 NIHR Portfolio Studies (Industry/Non-Industry) within the year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please refer to the monthly study bulletin for studies that best suite your practice Contact your local Facilitator/ Research Nurse for support & advice 	
7. Notify Network of 1 st patient recruited into each study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notify local Facilitator/ Research Nurse of recruitment 	
8. Obtain Research Ready RCGP or equivalent accreditation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ask local Facilitator/ Research Nurse to assist you with this RCGP self Accreditation At this point there are no schemes of that nature run by other professionals but the Facilitator/ Research Nurse will assist your service with demonstrating to commissioners your compliance with research governance framework 	
9. Hold at least one research team meeting with CLRN/PCRN Facilitator/ Research Nurse per year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set up meeting with CLRN/PCRN Facilitator/ Research Nurse 	
10. Set up your research site profile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain generic PCRN site file documents, request this from your local Facilitator/ Research Nurse 	
11. Apply for Step-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> After 10-month, if you have met the agreed milestones for LES Step 2 (Contract 1), you may apply for LES Step 3 (Contract 2). Please speak to your local Facilitator/ Research Nurse 	

FUNDING:

- As in LES Step 1, you will be paid quarterly in arrears via your PCT for the number of patients that you have successfully recruited (subject to each individual study)
- Each study is funded to cover time and resources required, and the eligible costs not covered by the research grant, are paid by the CLRN via your PCT from Service Support Costs (SSC) funds
- Payments are calculated on a per study basis

CONTACTS

INSERT LOCAL CONTACT DETAILS

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