

Supporting research across the EoE

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A snapshot

- 492 unique portfolio projects across EoE
 - 66% (324) projects in one CLRN only
 - 21% (104) projects in two CLRNs
 - 13% (66) projects in three CLRNs
 - 39,182 recruits in total
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- What would happen to recruitment if it was relatively straightforward to get studies running across EoE?

The aim of this presentation is

1. To show how we, as a region, might make it easier for researchers to conduct a study in the East of England
2. To promote joined up working as part of the NIHR family

Structure

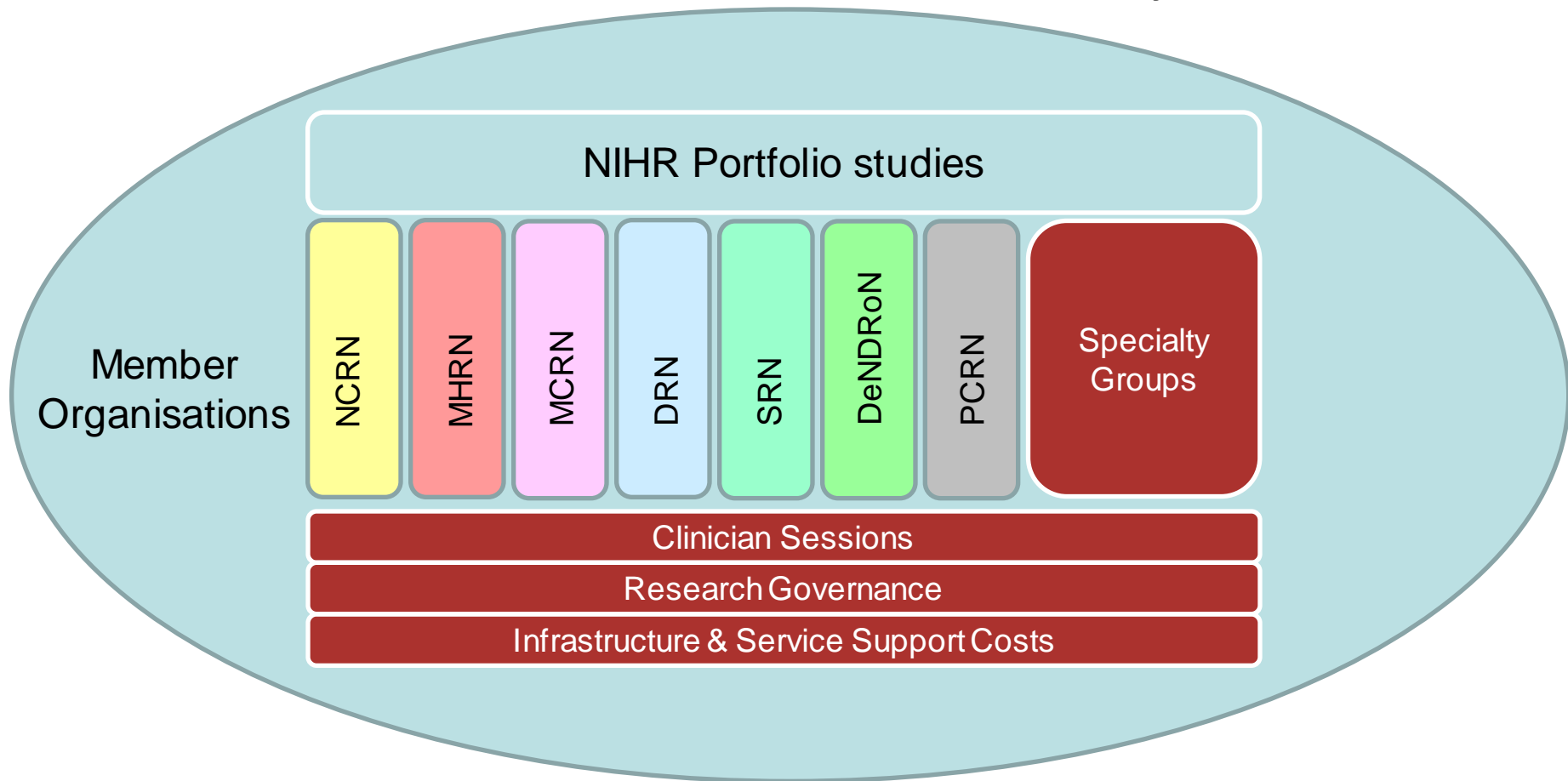
- Perspectives – Researchers and the NIHR
- Lead CLRN
- Lead Network
- A solution for RMG & Service Support
- Opportunities for others
- Next steps
- Summary

The researcher perspective

- How do I apply for NHS Permission?
- How do I get advice in relation to my study?
- How do I ensure Service Support for my project?
- How do I get more sites across EoE?

- Why can't it be a bit more easy?

CIIs have to contact multiple networks to set up a multicentre study...



How can it be made easy for researchers?

- Appropriate advice delivered quickly
- Advice to cover signposting to others and include good understanding of how each of the CLRNs work (Service Support, RMG etc)
- Delivery of support to each study as per the Lead Network model

Role of the Lead Network

- Identify the elements of support that should be provided by the Networks for the study (i.e. service support)
- Identify a named contact as the facilitator for the Chief Investigator (CI).... all communications with the CI are carried out via this person, and/or keeping this person in the loop.
- Liaise, on behalf of the CI, with other relevant NIHR Clinical Research Networks to confirm that support will be provided at each of the recruiting centres;
- Keep the CI informed of progress at the other NIHR Clinical Research Networks and help resolve any problems

...can be CLRN or P/TRCN

Role of the Lead CLRN

- Primary vehicle for NHS infrastructure
- Provide Governance for all portfolio studies
- Support the NHS approvals process (IRAS & CSP single repository for regulatory submission paperwork – data entered once and only once).

Can only be done by a CLRN

Role of CLRN perspective

- Primary vehicle for NHS infrastructure
- Covers all NHS Organisations
- Work in partnership with established networks
- Provide Governance for all portfolio studies
- Has tended to focus on research within own CLRN... rather than regionally

Who does what?

Role	Lead CLRN	TCRN / PCRN CC	Lead LRN	CTU
Identify elements of service support that should be provided by the networks for the study	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
On behalf of the CI, liaise with the other relevant NIHR CRNs to confirm that support will be provided at each of the recruiting centres	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Keep the CI informed of progress at the other NIHR CRNs and help to resolve any problems.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Support the NHS approvals process (IRAS & CSP single repository for regulatory submission paperwork – data entered once and only once).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Act as a conduit for RM&G queries, keep CI informed of progress at other sites and help to resolve any RM&G issues.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

A CLRN solution for RMG & Service Support

- Simple contact points for researchers
- All three CLRNs work to co-ordinate regional delivery of Lead CLRN function
- CLRNs work with PCRNs and TCRNs to enable an EoE approach to delivery of Lead Network function

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Next steps

1. Agree regional delivery of Lead CLRN function
2. Arrange and publicise contact points (web page etc)
3. Develop EoE delivery of Lead Network function
4. Review progress in 3 months