

Meetings:

Meetings will be held in:
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Patients Involved in Primary Care Research

Information on the PIP-CaRe group

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We value patient involvement in our research. We have established a group of patients to comment on our research projects from the design stages right through to publicising the findings. This group is called the: **Patients Involved in Primary Care Research—PIP-CaRe group**

Examples of the work that the PIP-CaRe group will undertake include:

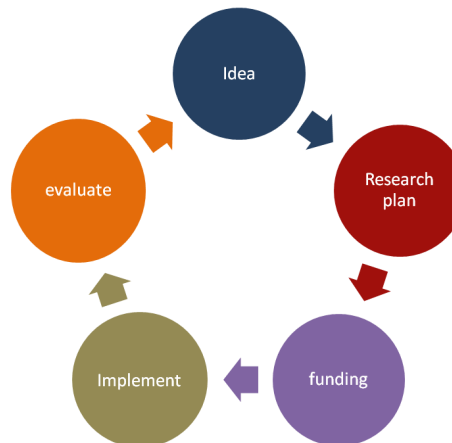
- Commenting on research proposals
- Commenting on study design
- Reading and giving feedback on information sheets, consent forms, letters to patients, interview schedules and questionnaires
- Sitting on research project management committees or advisory panels
- Prioritising research ideas
- Suggesting research ideas

You do not need any research experience to join the group. We need your experience of being a patient who has two or more long-term conditions.

You are the experts on the patient experience and we want to learn from you!

What we would like from you:

- To attend as many of the meetings as possible
- To share your thoughts and suggestions on our research ideas
- To read any paperwork e.g. research project proposals before each meeting
- Do not discuss the content of the meetings outside of the research group
- To sign an attendance form at each meeting so we can reimburse you for your time
- To let us know if you can think of any conflict of interest. For example, a study may be being discussed where a member of the research team may be a doctor personally known to you



We will:

- Offer you the opportunity to give your views on our research ideas
- Keep you informed. Communication and paperwork will be sent by email unless you need it printed out and sent to you in the post. We will provide prepaid envelopes if you need to return any paperwork
- Maintain confidentiality of all information discussed.
- Engage in publicity to promote the group and how it has contributed to the research we are conducting, which will help to share our learning and assist in raising funding
- Provide payment for those that would like it and/or book taxis or reimburse travel expenses after each meeting - this will be discussed with you individually so we can find out what you would prefer
- Arrange training if you wish

You will meet doctors and researchers as part of PIP-CaRe. Unfortunately they are unable to provide medical advice. Cindy Mann, our Public and Patient Coordinator, will provide you with any support that you may need.