

NIHR Highlight Notice: Specification Document

A call by NIHR for research on brain tumours.

This call supports the report of the [Department of Health & Social Care Task & Finish Working Group on Brain Tumour Research](#). It encourages collaborative applications that demonstrate how they build on recent initiatives and investment in the area made by the NIHR, the MRC and other research funders.

Research may involve any aspect of the diagnosis, treatment, support or care of patients with brain tumours, including access to or the delivery of services. Applications must be in the remit of one or more of the participating NIHR programmes. Research methods may involve primary research or evidence synthesis, including systematic reviews, modelling studies or the analysis of existing datasets.

Proposals should clearly identify the research context of their proposal in terms of recent and currently funded UK and international research in the area and the potential impact of their proposed research for patients, carers and the NHS.

How to apply

Research proposals must be within the remit of one of the participating NIHR programmes (as listed in the table below) and applicants should carefully consider the remit described for each [programme](#). However, this call provides opportunities to evaluate interventions that cross NIHR programme boundaries and applications that span the remit of one or more NIHR programme will be welcomed. The inclusion of patient views and experiences is considered important by each participating programme, and this call includes adults and children.

Applications should reference this highlight notice, and applications will be considered by participating programmes following the routine processes.

Participating programmes

Applications can be made as part of each programmes' researcher-led calls. Application forms are available from <http://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding>

It is anticipated that this highlight notice will be repeated after the initial open dates listed below.

Programmes	Website	Initial Opening Dates
Efficacy and Mechanism Evaluation (EME) Programme	www.nihr.ac.uk/eme	16/04/18
Health Services and Delivery Research (HS&DR)	www.nihr.ac.uk/hsdr	26/04/18
Health Technology Assessment (HTA) Programme	www.nihr.ac.uk/hta	26/04/18

Invention for Innovation (i4i) Programme	www.nihr.ac.uk/i4i	25/04/18 (C16)
Programme Grants for Applied Research (PGfAR) Programme	www.nihr.ac.uk/pgfar	01/06/18 (C27)
Public Health Research Programme (PHR) Programme	www.nihr.ac.uk/phr	16/04/18
Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) Programme	www.nihr.ac.uk/rfpb	27/7/18 (C37)

In addition to the NIHR Research Programmes listed above, [NIHR Research Training programmes](#) will also welcome applications in this area in future rounds.

Applicants who are unsure which programme to apply to may wish to send a short summary (maximum 1 page) of their research proposal to themedcalls@nihr.ac.uk