

The Leicestershire Healthcare Inequalities Improvement Doctoral Training Programme

PRINCIPLES AND REGULATIONS

I. PROGRAMME GOVERNANCE

This doctoral training programme is supported by a Board of Directors, an External Advisory Board and a Management Group.

1.1. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEMBERSHIP

- Prof. Sally Singh (chair)
- Prof. Johnathan Barratt
- Prof. Chris Brightling
- Prof. Karen Brown
- Prof. Amanda Daley
- Prof. Kamlesh Khunti
- Dr. Claire Lawson
- Prof. Gerry McCann
- Prof. David Stensel
- Dr. Sylvie Kilford

The board meets monthly and covers:

- programme quality including training,
- pastoral care,
- progress,
- supervisory issues,
- project choice,
- Equality Diversity and inclusion (EDI),
- recruitment and transitions,
- trainee feedback

1.2. EXTERNAL ADVISORY BOARD

MEMBERSHIP

- Prof. Richard Thomas (chair)
- Suzanne Rastrick
- Prof. Colin Berry
- Neil Martin
- Prof. Frances Mair
- Prof. Kamlesh Khunti
- Prof. Nadine Foster
- DTP Fellow (TBC)

The EAB meets bi-annually and provides:

- independent, external guidance, and
- oversight, scrutiny and support for NMAHP research training and career development

1.3. MANAGEMENT GROUP

MEMBERSHIP

- Prof. David Wright (chair)
- Prof. Andrew Fry
- Prof. Melanie Davies
- Prof. Richard Thomas
- Prof. Julian Ketley
- Prof. Nigel Brunskill
- Prof. Azhar Farooqi
- Julie Hogg
- Antonella Ghezzi
- Prof. Sally Singh
- Prof. Tom Robinson
- Ivan Browne
- DTP Fellow (TBC)

The MG meets quarterly to monitor strategic programme development and evaluation, including clinical/community integration and research culture change.

II. RESEARCH PROJECTS

For each recruitment year, a selection of projects will be offered to applicants.

2.1. PROJECT SUBMISSION

The programme may elicit project proposals through a range of possible means, among them:

- Traditional call for projects
- Brainstorming events

2.2. PROJECT SELECTION

The Board of Directors will review all submitted projects and rank them according to the following criteria:

- How the projects fits the themes and scope of the programme
- Whether the project is suitable to be taken up by AHPs, nurses, midwives, junior doctors or GPs
- Whether the project is doable in three years
- Whether the supervisory team meets the criteria set out in this document

2.3. APPLICANT CHOICE

Applicants may choose up to two projects in order of preference.

2.4. PROJECT ALLOCATION

Successful applicants will be allocated projects on the basis of:

- Their own preference
- Their suitability to complete the project in the allotted time
- The supervisor's preference

III. SUPERVISION RULES

This programme will be run in compliance with the rules surrounding supervision as laid out in the University of Leicester [Senate Regulations](#) and, where relevant, the rules that govern supervision at [Loughborough University](#). In addition, it will also adhere to the following rules around supervision:

3.1. PRIMARY SUPERVISION

- 3.1.1. A primary supervisor who succeeds in securing a fellow must wait out at least one recruitment year before submitting another project to the programme.
- 3.1.2. A primary supervisor who succeeds in securing a fellow, may offer secondary supervision the following year to another fellow on the programme.

3.2. SECONDARY SUPERVISION

- 3.2.1. A secondary supervisor who succeeds in securing a fellow may submit a project for primary supervision the following recruitment year.
- 3.2.2. A secondary supervisor who succeeds in securing a fellow may offer secondary supervision the following year.