Clinical Research Time Awards (CRTA) 2017
Public Record of Funding Panel Recommendations – 24 November 2017

Introduction

The Clinical Research Time Award is open to NHS Wales’ staff and contracted staff who are in primary, secondary or community care or public health. The award offers NHS staff the opportunity to engage in research activity, supporting Health and Care Research Wales’ aim of building research capacity and capability in NHS Wales.

CRTA Panel Recommendations

The CRTA Panel met on 24 November 2017 to consider thirteen applications. The Panel recommended five applications for funding (total amount: £335,464.02) subject to appropriate checks and amendments.

Funded Applications

All recommendations were subsequently approved by Health and Care Research Wales.

- **CRTA-17-01**: Ceri Battle, Abertawe Bro Morgannwg University Health Board
- **CRTA-17-03**: Marlise Poolman, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
- **CRTA-17-30**: Lim Jones, Public Health Wales
- **CRTA-17-33**: Sarah Bent, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
- **CRTA-17-34**: Sarah J Jones, Public Health Wales

Clinical Research Time Award Panel Members in Attendance

Professor Jon Bisson (Panel Chair) (non scoring), Research & Development Division, Welsh Government
Mr Michael Bowdery (non scoring), Research & Development Division, Welsh Government
Dr Alisha Davies, Public Health Wales
Ms Nicola Williams, Health and Care Research Wales Support Centre
Professor Greg Fegan, Swansea University
Professor Keir Lewis, Swansea University
Dr Julia Hiscock, Bangor University
Professor Paul Brocklehurst, Bangor University
Conflict of Interest Policy

Health and Care Research Wales operates a conflict of interest policy both in relation to funding panel / board membership, and process and conduct during funding panel / board meetings. Details of these are set out below.

1. Following provisional selection, all funding panel / board members will be asked to complete a form and provide a CV capturing their institutional affiliations, areas of expertise and research interests. These will be held and collated by the Health and Care Research Wales Grants Team.

2. Subject to the absence of any conflicts that would prevent an individual being a funding panel / board member (e.g. Head of a major research school or department in Wales that would require the member to be a signatory on a significant number of applications to the scheme) membership will be agreed.

3. For each new funding call, information held by the Health and Care Research Wales Grant Team will be used to help identify potential conflicts of interest in relation to applications received.

4. Potential conflicts will be discussed with funding panel /board members and drawn to the attention of the Chair in advance of the meeting and in chairing notes.

5. The funding panel / board Chair will be responsible for managing the conflict of interest process at the meeting itself, and for taking appropriate action in response to known or declared conflicts.