

Registration to the involvement community

The information below is for you to read prior to completing and submitting the online registration form.

The Health and Care Research Wales public involvement and engagement team supports health and social care researchers based in Wales to make public involvement an essential part of their work. The public involvement and engagement team supports the involvement community - members of the public from across Wales - to be actively involved in research. By **active involvement** we mean an involvement opportunity where people are **working with researchers** to plan, manage, carry out and present research, rather than being the subjects of research.

To make sure the community is as representative and accessible as possible, we recognise that some members may have specific needs or disabilities that may require additional support. It would be useful if you could inform us of specific requirements you would like us to know about.

We do not ask you as part of this registration process to tell us about any experiences or interests you may have or about your skills and knowledge, as we appreciate that these change over time. Once you register we will inform you of all opportunities and if there is one that you would like to take part in you are required to submit an [expression of interest](#) (opens web page). This will be your chance to communicate how your life experiences, interests, skills and knowledge match the criteria that the researcher is seeking. When you submit an expression of interest you will be asked to agree to a public involvement agreement which sets out what you can expect from us and what we expect from you.

What happens next

