

## Greater Manchester Clinical Research Awards 2019



### – CATEGORIES

#### **Best Debut**

Has a recently-formed research team been achieving rapid results? Has your team been bolstered by an invaluable new addition? This category's aim is to recognise significant achievements made by a newly-established research team, or person, soon after starting in post.

#### **Outstanding Contribution**

Is there a team or person that has gone the extra mile to support research since April 2018? They could work in the research office, or be a lab technician, pharmacist, porter or someone similar. Have they helped you set your trials up faster? Have they helped your trials run smoothly and efficiently? Have their efforts helped your studies recruit to time and target?

#### **Research Administrator or Co-ordinator of the Year**

Is there someone who is pivotal to the smooth running of your trials? Their job title could be: research administrator, research co-ordinator, research assistant, clinical trials assistant, clinical trials co-ordinator, or something similar. This category's aim is to recognise a non-medical person's contribution towards research since April 2018.

#### **Investigator of the Year**

Do you know an investigator who has professionally and passionately led their studies since April 2018? Have they overseen a wide variety of Portfolio research? Have they surpassed expectations to complete trials to time and target? Do they enthusiastically motivate and encourage their teams? Do they embody NIHR values and encourage collaborative working across departments/Trusts?

#### **Lifetime Achievement**

Is there someone at your Trust or GP practice – medic or non-medic – who has supported clinical research for over 15 years? Have they helped to embed a research culture? Have they played a vital

role overseeing the development of new drugs and treatments? Has their dedication, support and organisation been paramount to the successful delivery of a large number of trials?



### **Research Nurse or Midwife of the Year**

Do you know a research nurse or midwife who has made a significant contribution to research since April 2018? Do they embody NIHR values and encourage collaborative working across departments/Trusts? Have they developed an innovative recruitment strategy? Do they deserve to be recognised for their outstanding commitment to research? Have they constantly strived for excellence? Not given up when setbacks occur? Pitched in and rolled their sleeves up when it counts?

### **Research Practitioner of the Year**

Do you know a research practitioner who deserves to be recognised for their support of research since April 2018? Their job role includes: identifying and recruiting patients; providing information and support for research participants; overseeing the set-up, delivery and close down of studies. This category's aim is to recognise the importance of this key decision-making role in supporting research.

### **Best Public Engagement Contribution (Team or Individual)**

What successful Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement (PPIE) work is happening across our region? Has a team or study recruited to a trial through proactive engagement outside usual methods or worked with the public to ensure previously disengaged communities are more aware of research?

Or do you know a patient, carer or member of the public who is truly passionate about research? They don't do it for a living, but that hasn't stopped them making a significant contribution. Have they provided vital input that's allowed researchers to match patient need?

This category's aim is to recognise people who ensure our research is being carried out 'with' or 'by' members of the public - rather than 'to', 'about' or 'for' them.

### **Early Career Researcher of the Year**

Has an individual or team made an outstanding start to their career in research? Are they a rising star who's already making a real difference and showing qualities expected of colleagues with much more experience? They could still be in training, or in the first four years of their research activity.

Or do you know an individual or team who's made an excellent impact through promoting and improving early career researcher involvement in NIHR research?



### **Best Contribution in a community setting**

What successful research activity is taking place within a primary care setting or out in the community? Has a team or individual achieved excellent results in a care home, hospice or dentist, or in a school, college or university? This category's aim is to recognise the invaluable research delivery taking place outside of a hospital setting.

### **Research Team of the Year**

Do you know a research team that always completes trials to time and target? Do they work well together to meet the demands of their studies? Do they embody NIHR values and encourage collaborative working across departments/Trusts? Have they developed an innovative recruitment strategy? Do they maintain high-quality decision making and outputs? Have they made some significant achievements since April 2018?

### **Team Excellence Award for Patient Research Experience**

Do you know a research team that has improved the experience of their patients? Have they captured participant feedback and used that information to introduce a new system or process for the benefit of patients? Are they committed to Continuous Improvement and passionate about giving research participants the best possible service? The team might have embedded the CRN Patient Research Experience Survey (PRES) in their workflows and made it a priority for the department. We would welcome evidence of patient feedback to support nominations.

### **What recognition will the shortlisted finalists and winners get?**

All short-listed finalists receive:

- An invite to the awards ceremony at a Manchester city centre hotel on the evening of Thursday 7 November 2019
- A complimentary three-course dinner and reception drinks
- On-stage recognition during the awards ceremony

- A framed certificate
- The opportunity to network with peers



Winners receive all of the above, and:

- An engraved trophy (presented on stage)
- Promotion of their win via CRN Greater Manchester communications channels and a press release to local and trade media.

**Need help?**

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