

## HTA researcher-led funding opportunities

### **Call for proposals that build on existing NIHR Research for Patient Benefit studies and Programme Grants for Applied Research**

*The HTA programme is keen to encourage the flow of research along the research pathway from sister programmes such as Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) and Programme Grants for Applied Research (PGfAR), and to help researchers become aware of opportunities for funding additional work that follows on from current research projects or programmes. Additionally the HTA programme is continuing to assess the benefits of using an Expression of Interest approach for research applications. This call is to invite Expressions of Interest from RfPB and PGfAR grant holders who are interested in applying to HTA for a subsequent study that builds on their currently funded grants for research that delivers definitive evaluative studies. You can read more about our remit at [www.nets.nihr.ac.uk/programmes/hta/remit](http://www.nets.nihr.ac.uk/programmes/hta/remit) .*

*Expressions of Interest must be submitted by 4 June 2014. You will be notified of your outcome by 7 July. If you are successfully short-listed you will need to submit a full proposal by 17 September. Your proposal will then be externally reviewed and then be considered at an HTA programme funding board in November and any funding recommendation communicated to you by early January 2015.*

*\*To obtain your invitation code to apply please email [htacet@soton.ac.uk](mailto:htacet@soton.ac.uk) quoting reference 14/68*

*If you have previously had an application rejected by the HTA programme for the further research being proposed, the usual 12 month resubmission rule will apply.*

*Please note that whilst this is a special call designed to encourage pull-through from RfPB and PGfAR projects through an Expression in Interest form rather than an outline proposal, the programme will prioritise these research applications for importance to the NHS in the same way as for its standard researcher-led calls. The HTA programme's researcher-led arm, Clinical Evaluation and Trials, is open all year round to research applications. The next cut off dates for applications are 12 May and 8 September; applications can be made using the following link.*

<http://www.nets.nihr.ac.uk/funding/hta-researcher-led>

The other NIHR Evaluation, Trials and Studies programmes, EME, PHR and HS&DR, are also interested in encouraging the flow of research from RfPB or PGfAR projects through their existing researcher-led workstreams. Please visit their websites for information about funding opportunities.