**PhD Fellowship Application**

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**Ensure that you have used the correct form(s) for the level of application for which you wish to apply**. All aspects of your Application must be submitted in English.

Your completed application form should contain the following items. Please complete check boxes:

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|  | A printed copy of the Application Form signed by the Applicant, Head of Department and Authorising Officer. Make it clear that this is the original form with signatures. Electronic signatures are acceptable from supervisors and mentors. |

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|  | If returning by post, ensure your completed application is securely packaged for delivery. Incomplete or damaged applications will not be accepted. |

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* Do not include any additional papers

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**SECTION A: Application summary**

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| A1. Candidate | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Surname |  | | Forename | | |  | | Title | | |  | |
| Do you currently hold an NIHR Award? | | | | If yes, please specify | | | | | | | | |
| Are you currently or have you previously been an Academic  Clinical Fellow, Clinical Lecturer or In-Practice Fellow? | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| If *Other* please give brief description of awards: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A2. Current Appointment | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Date of commencement | |  | | | Date of termination (if known) | | | |  | | | |
| Is this a full-time post? | |  | | | If no, please give WTE | | | |  | | | % |
| Is this a permanent post? | |  | | |  | | | |  | | | |
| Current grade | |  | | | Current salary | | | |  | | | |
| Provide an approximate breakdown (%) of how your current appointment is divided between the following activities:  Service/clinical       Research  Teaching       Other | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| If *Other* please give brief description: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A3. Correspondence Address (if different from above) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Address | |  | | | | | | | | | | |
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| A4. Proposed Academic Host (Higher Education Institution) | | | | | | | |  | |  | | |
| Department | |  | | | | | |  | |  | | |
| Institution | |  | | | | | |  | |  | | |
| Proposed Employing Host (if different from above) | | | | | | | |  | |  | | |
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| **A5. Short Title of Proposed Research (No more than 150 words)** | | |
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| **A6. Fellowship Schedule** |  | |
| Proposed start date |  | |
| Proposed duration | months | |
| **A7. Total cost of fellowship** | | £ |

**SECTION B – Applicant’s Profile to Date**

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| **B1. Professional Qualifications, Degrees, Diplomas, etc.** | | | | | |
| Qualification | Class | Subject | Institution | Start Date (dd/mm/yy) | End Date (dd/mm/yy) |
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| **B2. Regulatory Body Registration** | | | | | |
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| **Regulation Body Number:** | | | | | |

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| **B3. Employment History** | | | | | | | | | |
| Job Title | Institution | | | Start Date (dd/mm/yy) | | | End Date  (dd/mm/yy) | | Full-time  or Part-time |
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| **B4. Employment Breaks** | | | | |  |  | |  | |
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| **B5. Nationality/Residency Requirements** | | | | | | | | | |
| What is your nationality? | |  | | | | | | | |
| Do you require or currently hold a working permit or visa?  The permit/visa must cover the duration of the Fellowship. | | |  | | | | | | |
| If yes, please give details: | | | | | | | | | |
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| **B6. Higher Degrees** | | | | | | | | | |
| Are you registered for, or undertaking, a Masters level degree at the time of making this application? | | | | | | | | | |
| If yes, what is the name of the degree? | | | | | | | | | |
| Are you studying full or part time? | | | | | | | | | |
| Start date       Completion date | | | | | | | | | |
| At the time of making this application, how much work have you undertaken towards your Masters degree? | | | | | | | | | |
| If you are undertaking an MPhil degree, is it the first phase of study towards gaining a PhD? | | | | | | | | | |
| Are you registered for or undertaking a research doctorate (PhD/MD/DPhil) at the time of making this application? | | | | | | | | | |
| If yes, what is the name of the degree? | | | | | | | | | |
| What is the title of the programme of work? | | | | | | | | | |
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| Are you studying full or part time? | | | | | | | | | |
| What was the date of registration for your research doctorate? | | | | | | | | | |
| Give a brief account of the work you have undertaken towards your research doctorate degree to date. You are also required to complete Section M of the application form which should be signed by your primary supervisor. | | | | | | | | | |
| **B7. Research experience** | | | | | | | | | |
| **B8. Publications**  Mark with an asterisk (\*) the publication that you consider to be your best. | | | | | | | | | |
| **B9. Grants obtained** | | | | | | | | | |

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| **SECTION C – Applicant’s Proposed Research** | | | | |
| **C1. Full Title of Proposed Research** | | | | |
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| **C2. Abstract of Research** | | | | |
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| **C3. MeSH Terms** | | | | |
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| **C4. Research Methods** | | | | |
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| **C5. Proposed Research (Page 1 of 4)**  (please note this section is limited to 4 pages only) |
| **C5. Proposed Research (Page 2 of 4)**  (please note this section is limited to 4 pages only) |
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| **C6. References (one page only)** |
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| **C7. Cost of Proposed Research** | | | | | | |
| Total of directly incurred and directly allocated costs of proposed research | | | | **£** | | |
| **Itemise and provide total costs for proposed research under the following headings:** | | | | | | |
| **Directly Incurred Costs:** | | | | | | |
| **Salary Costs:** (Fellow only) **£** | | | | | | |
| **Training & Development:** | | | | | | |
| Tuition Fees (Maximum contributions apply, please see guidance notes): | | | | | | |
| Short Courses: | | | | | | |
| Workshops: | | | | | | |
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| Overseas Research Visit (1 visit over duration of award): | | | | | | |
| Conference Attendance (Maximum £3,000 over duration of award): | | | | | | |
| **Research Costs Contribution:** | | | | | | |
| Consumables/Materials (Project specific costs): | | | | | | |
| Equipment (IT capped at maximum of £750 excluding VAT): | | | | | | |
| Equipment (Research related excluding VAT): | | | | | | |
| Costs needed to support research: | | | | | | |
| **Directly Allocated Costs:** | | | | | | |
| Specialist Expert Staff Support Costs: | | | | | | |
| Research Facilities Costs: | | | | | | |

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| **NHS Service Support Costs** | | | | |  | | |  |
| Where the proposed research draws on NHS facilities, will it incur service support costs? | | | | | YES | | | NO |
| If **YES** please state estimated costs of service support costs | | | | | £ | | | |
| Has the cost of Service Support Costs been identified with help from the Comprehensive Local Research Network? | | | | | YES | | | NO |
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| **NHS Treatment Costs** | | | | |  | | |  |
| Will the proposed research result in Treatment Costs for NHS provider(s)? | | | | | YES | | | NO |
| If YES, has the NHS provider agreed to meet these costs? | | | | | YES | | | NO |
| If **YES** please give details and include supporting letters with the application: | | | | | | | | |
| If **NO** please state why supporting letters are not available: | | | | | | | | |
| **Clinical Trials** | | | | | | | | |
| Are you intending to undertake a clinical trial? | | | | | |  | | |
| If YES have you read the MRC “Good Practice Guidelines for Clinical Trials”? | | | | | |  | | |
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| If YES have you submitted an entry to the meta-registry for clinical trials? | | | | | |  | | |
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| **C8. What collaborations do you intend to develop during the proposed research?** |
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| **C9. How will consumers be involved in the research proposed?** |
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| **SECTION D – Training & Development** | | | | |
| **D1. Proposed Formal Study** | | | | |
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| **D2. Proposed Training and Development Programme** | | | | |
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| **D3. Proposed Academic Department(s)** | | | | |
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| **D4. Research Supervision**  **(a)** | |
| Name of Supervisor |  |
| Institution |  |
| Position |  |
| Qualifications |  |
| Describe the supervisor’s current research programme: | |
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| How does the proposed project fit the supervisor’s current research programme? | |
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| Number of research students previously supervised: | |
| Masters       Doctorate: | |
| Number of research students currently supervised: | |
| Masters       Doctorate: | |
| How many hours supervision per week would be provided by this supervisor? | |
| List three recent publications by the supervisor which are relevant to this application: | |
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| **D4. Research Supervision**  **(b)** | |
| Name of Supervisor |  |
| Institution |  |
| Position |  |
| Qualifications |  |
| Describe the supervisor’s current research programme: | |
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| How does the proposed project fit the supervisor’s current research programme? | |
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| Number of research students previously supervised: | |
| Masters       Doctorate: | |
| Number of research students currently supervised: | |
| Masters       Doctorate: | |
| How many hours supervision per week would be provided by this supervisor? | |
| List three recent publications by the supervisor which are relevant to this application: | |
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| **SECTION E– Academic Institutional Support** | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **E1. Institutional Commitment – to be completed by the head of the academic department of the proposed academic host institution** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Please provide a supporting statement setting out how you and your department will support the applicant and their proposed research | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **E2. Basis of Fellowship** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Do you wish to hold a fellowship at: | | | 100% wte (3yrs) | | 75% wte (4yrs) | | 60% wte (5yrs) | | | |
| **E3. Apportionment of Candidate’s Time** | | | | | | | |  | |  |
| What proportion of time is anticipated for the following activities *within* the time funded by the award: | | | | | | | | | | |
| Research: | % | Formal courses: | | % | | Other training: | | | % | |
| What percentage of your total employment time will be allocated to the award? | | | | | | | |  | | % |

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| **SECTION F – Declarations & Authorisations** | | | | | | | |
| **F1. Declarations** | | | | | | | |
| Has any work relevant to this proposal already commenced? | | |  |  | | | |
| If yes, please give details: | | | | | | | |
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| **F2. Ethical Considerations** | | | | | | | |
| Have you read “Research Governance Framework for Health and Social Care”? | | | | | | |  |
| Does the proposed research programme raise ethical issues? | | | | | | |  |
| If yes, please give details: | | | | | | | |
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| Does the research involve: | | | | | | | |
| Experimentation on human participants? | |  | | | | | |
| The use of human tissue? | |  | | | | | |
| The use of biological samples? | |  | | | | | |
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| If you answered yes to any of the above, please justify the use of human participants and the numbers involved and/or the nature and quantity of material to be used: | | | | | | | |
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| If human participants will be used, will there be equal numbers of male and female participants? | | | | | |  | |
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| Does the programme involve the administration of drugs, chemical agents or vaccines to the participants? | | | | | |  | |

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| Does the programme involve the use of personal information? | | | |  |
| If yes, will the information be anonymous or anonymised? | | | |  |
| Have the appropriate regulatory bodies granted the necessary approvals? | | | |  |
| Please give details of any other ethical factors that the Department of Health should be aware of: | | | | |
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| I confirm that I have secured all the necessary licences and approvals in relation to this research programme and will abide by the terms of those licences and approvals in the course of this programme: | | | |  |
| **F3. Signatures, Authorisations and Endorsements** | | | | |
| **Candidate:** | | | | |
| I have read the Guidance Notes and agree to accept the process by which an application is assessed and agree to abide by the conditions under which an award may be granted. I understand that the application will be shared with members of the Expert Review Panel and sent for external peer review. | | | | |
|  | Name: | |  | |
|  | Signature: | |  | |
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| **Supervisor 1:** | | | | |
| I have read this application and the Guidance Notes. I am willing to act as the applicant’s academic supervisor for research and career development and agree to abide by the conditions under which an award may be granted. | | | | |
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| Signature: (Electronic Signature Acceptable) | | | | |

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| **Supervisor 2:** | | |
| I have read this application and the Guidance Notes. I am willing to act as the applicant’s academic supervisor for research and career development and agree to abide by the conditions under which an award may be granted. | | |
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| Head of Department: | | | | | | | |
| As Head of Department of the host employing institution in which this award will be based, I approve this application and will support the candidate’s programme of research and training. The applicant is eligible for and capable of taking up this award. I confirm that the candidate will be eligible, for the duration of the award, to live and work in the UK. | | | | | | | |
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| Research Contract Officer: | | | | | | | |
| As Research Contract Officer of the host employing institution, I have read the Guidance Notes and Contract for the RCEM Fellowship Scheme.  I confirm that the host institution would be willing to accept an award according to the published terms and conditions of the NIHR Fellowship Contract. | | | | | | | |
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