

ANN UK Webinar Series: ANN UK Research Community of Practice 2026

Title: Starting to Develop Your Own Research Ideas

Aim: To provide advice and guidance to registered healthcare professionals in ANN UK and UKKA who want to develop their own research ideas, creating an idea that has potential to develop into a credible research question that is suitable for grant funding. The focus of this webinar will be nursing research, but all registered healthcare professionals are welcome.

Host: ANN UK Research CoP

Webinar 1: Developing and Refining your Research Question	
Date and Time: Tuesday 16 June 2026 at 3.00pm	
Chairs: Nicola Anderson and Helen Hurst / Mari McPeake	
Presentations	Speaker
Presentation 1: Developing your idea into a research question • Identify your idea • Refining your idea • Is it research, QI, service evaluation or audit?	Katie Fielding
Presentation 2: Using a literature search to guide your question • Scoping • Where are the gaps • Critical appraisal	Jess Baillie
Presentation 3: Working with Patient and Public Involvement Representatives • What PPI is and why it is important • Who to include • How to work with PPI • How they can help for your idea • Co-production	Karen Nagalingam
Panel Discussion: Potential Discussion Points (led by chairs) • Points or queries raised by the audience • All speakers experience of developing and refining a research question, considering the individual subjects of presentations	Led by chairs, All to contribute

Webinar 2: Gaining support for your research idea	
Date and Time: Tuesday 30 June 2026 at 3.00pm (60mins)	
Chairs: Katie Fielding and Jessica Baillie	
Presentations	Speaker
Presentation 1: Building a team • Who to include • Collaborating with fellow researchers	Becky Bonfield
Presentation 2: An overview of governance structures in the NHS • Sponsorship • HRA • REC • SoECAT • Research delivery	Nic Anderson
Presentation 3: Developing a funding application • Developing a strong rationale • Applying / the place of methodology a. Why it is needed b. How to use it to structure your study c. How to use it to strengthen your application d. Not about detail of specific methodology • Demonstrating timeline to patient benefit • Sources of funding	Helen Hurst
Presentation 4: Kidney Research UK Opportunities	Sam Lawes / Zoe Markham
Panel Discussion: Potential Discussion Points (led by chairs) • Points or queries raised by the audience • All speakers experience of gaining support for your idea, considering the individual subjects of presentations	Led by chairs, All to contribute