

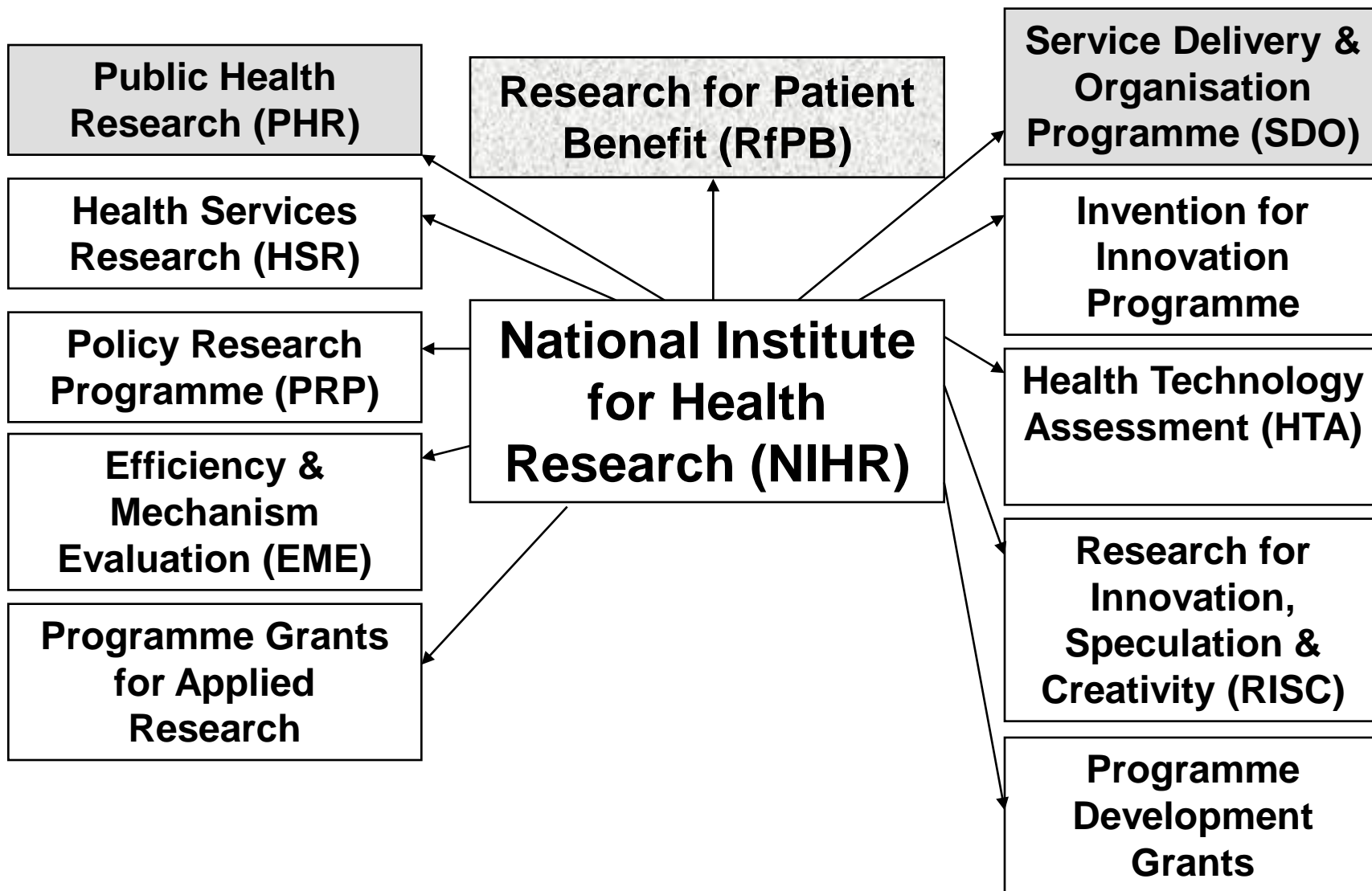
**Show me the Dosh**

**Turning the Tide**

**Folk.us Conference, 6<sup>th</sup> April 2010**

**Annie Hawton & Geoff Barr**

# National Research Funding arrangements



# Research for Patient Benefit (RfPB) Programme

<http://www.nihr-ccf.org.uk/site/programmes/rfpb/default.cfm>

## What is it

- Funds applied research projects in health services and social care.
- Main purpose – to realise, through evidence, the huge potential for improving, expanding and strengthening the way that health care is delivered for patients, the public and the NHS.
- *‘RfPB particularly welcomes proposals that have benefited from interaction with patients and the public, which relate to patient and service user experience and/or have been drawn up in association with a relevant group of service users’.*
- Does not specify topics for research.
- Open to researchers in the NHS.
- Up to £250k for 36 months.
- Supports pilot studies.

# What they are looking for

- **Research related to day-to-day practice in areas identified and developed by health service staff – often in partnership with service users.**
- **A sound and appropriate research design.**
- **A strong likelihood that tangible benefits for NHS patients and other users of health and social care services will be realisable in the short to medium term (within 3-5 years).**
- **A team with the right mix of skills and experience for the research question.**
- **Evidence of relevance for the public or patient community.**
- **Link with RDSs:**

**<http://www.nihr-ccf.org.uk/site/programmes/rds/default.cfm>**

# How to apply and timelines

- **1<sup>st</sup> need to complete registration of intention to submit (ROI).**
- **3 competitions per year**
- **Competition 13**
- **Registration of intention to submit - 13 August 2010**
- **Submission deadline - 24 September 2010**
- **Submission outcome - March 2011**
- **Notified of outcome of application within 24 weeks of the deadline for submission date**

# RDInfo

<http://www.rdinfo.org.uk/>

- National (and international) research funding opportunities

**Search facility:**

<http://www.rdfunding.org.uk/queries/searchform.asp>

- **Number of possibilities dependent on subject area ...**
- **e.g. 'consumers' search**

- **Baby Life Support Systems (BLISS)**

<http://www.rdfunding.org.uk/queries/ListGrantDetails.asp?GrantID=7766>

**‘opportunity for parental involvement’**

- **Closing the Gap through Clinical Communities**

<http://www.rdfunding.org.uk/queries/ListGrantDetails.asp?GrantID=13676>

**‘Applications may be made by experienced clinicians working as part of a multidisciplinary team including patient/service user representatives’.**

- **Alzheimer’s Society**

<http://www.rdfunding.org.uk/queries/ListGrantDetails.asp?GrantID=1637>

**‘It was recommended that applicants should contact consumer priorities when deciding on the research topic’.**



- **Muscular Dystrophy Campaign**

**Pump priming:**

**<http://www.rdfunding.org.uk/queries/ListGrantDetails.asp?GrantID=15009>**

**Research grants:**

**<http://www.rdfunding.org.uk/queries/ListGrantDetails.asp?GrantID=1907>**

**‘ ... the Muscular Dystrophy Campaign will be implementing lay involvement in their grant round as part of our Public and Patient Involvement programme’.**

- **Clinical Research Group Proposals – Mental Health Research Networks**

**<http://www.rdfunding.org.uk/queries/ListGrantDetails.asp?GrantID=13708>**

**‘CRGs should be able to demonstrate input from service users and carers who have shown an interest in research in the topic covered by the group’.**

# Locally

- **CEREBRA**

[http://sites.pcmd.ac.uk/cerebra/aboutus\\_website.php](http://sites.pcmd.ac.uk/cerebra/aboutus_website.php)

‘The Cerebra Research Unit responds to questions from families about therapies and health services for children and young people with disabilities or special or additional needs. Disabling conditions in childhood include cerebral palsy, autism, ADHD, Down syndrome and many others. We provide summaries of the evidence to help families make decisions. Where the evidence is lacking we seek funding to conduct clinical trials to assess the effectiveness of interventions on outcomes that families tell us are important, such as function, social inclusion and participation, and quality of life’.

- **Local Diabetes Research Network**

e.g. patient advocates: [http://www.ukdrn.org/patients\\_advocate.html](http://www.ukdrn.org/patients_advocate.html)

- **Peninsula Collaboration for Leadership in Applied Health Research and Care (PenCLAHRC)**

<http://clahrc-peninsula.nihr.ac.uk/content/about>

Research questions/ideas

# **NIHR Health Services Research (HSR) programme & INVOLVE joint funding call: Public involvement in research**

[http://www.hsr.nihr.ac.uk/funding/joint\\_INVOLVE\\_call.asp](http://www.hsr.nihr.ac.uk/funding/joint_INVOLVE_call.asp)

## **What is it**

### **3 key aims:**

**Impact:** to increase knowledge & understanding of the impact of public involvement in research

**Evaluation:** to identify methods of evaluating public involvement in research

**Implementation:** to identify effective ways of involving the public in research

- **Including NHS, public health & social care research**
- **Range of studies – size, duration, approach**
- **Applications from range of organisations including ‘user controlled’ organisations**

- **Deadline for outlines - Thurs 6th May**
- **Receive decision on outline proposal by mid August**
- **If shortlisted, submit full proposal by October**
- **Decision on funding to be made February 2011**

## Public health funding

[http://www.phr.ac.uk/fundingopportunities/researcher\\_led.asp](http://www.phr.ac.uk/fundingopportunities/researcher_led.asp)

- **Researcher-led calls**
- **Applicants can submit outline proposals at any time during the year, with three cut-off dates when applications will be considered by the Programme Advisory Board.**
- **The next cut-off date to submit outline proposals is 10 May 2010 by 1pm.**