

Collaboration and convergence for building a new PPI community in CLAHRC East of England



The NIHR Collaborations for Leadership in Applied Health Research and Care East of England (CLAHRC EoE) is a collaboration between the Universities of Cambridge, East Anglia and Hertfordshire, and the Cambridge and Peterborough NHS Foundation Trust in partnership with a wide range of Eastern Region Health and Social Care Providers.

Research is focused on improving the health and wellbeing of vulnerable people in complex health systems, retaining a population health view.

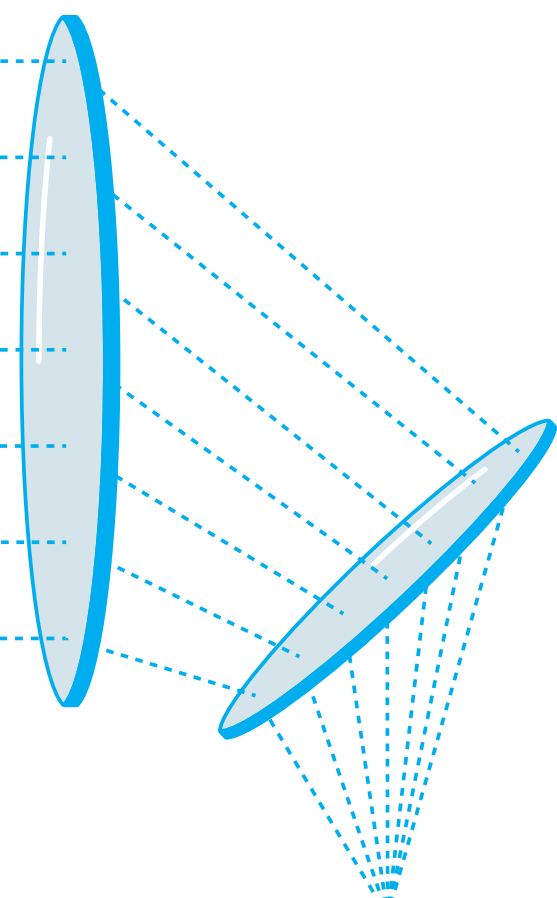
The research themes are:

- dementia, frailty and end-of-life care
- enduring disability and disadvantage
- patient safety
- health economics
- patient and public involvement
- innovation and evaluation

CLAHRC EoE Patient and Public Involvement (PPI) Theme

The PPI theme focuses on ways to enable research to include patient and public concerns; we aim to develop and evidence our strategy for involving patients, carers and public in applied health research. Our theme cross-cuts CLAHRC EoE to provide PPI evaluation and support, coordinating PPI training resources, consensus and implementation. All CLAHRC EoE themes and projects are responsible for their own PPI.

- Research and action**
Recognising and encompassing diverse approaches to high quality, relevant and meaningful research. Identifying and using research and action 'lenses' to focus issues of culture, process and ownership, for a new 'PPI community'
- Culture, process and ownership**
Working towards building PPI as a catalyst for robust research and an inclusive research community
- Case studies**
Learning from and sharing lessons through case studies and narratives about the dynamics of PPI
- Networks**
Enabling different kinds of PPI representation and experience in our work, by building on existing networks including relevant voluntary organisations and regional Healthwatch memberships
- Action research & NPT**
Using action research and Normalisation Process Theory approaches to build working knowledge about the implementation experiences of, and range and quality of, impacts from embedding PPI within a developing programme
- Resources, communications and training**
Identifying level and type of resources, communication and training needed by all PPI partners (researcher, clinical and lay) for PPI to be effective
- PIPPIN, RReACH & IMPRESS**
PPI research projects which aim to evidence how we can build good PPI with people living with long term conditions such as kidney disease, people living in residential care, and how we can implement PPI across a CLAHRC programme



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