

# The evolving role of children and young people in Research

**GenerationR**  
young people improving Research



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# GOSH Young Person's Advisory Group (YPAG)

We are part of



a national Young Persons' Advisory Group made up of six groups around England



# Who are our members and what do we do?

- aged between 8-21 years old, some of us have health conditions and experience of participating in clinical trials, currently we have 24 members;
- all interested in medicine, research and science;
- meet 6 times a year at GOSH - on Saturdays;
- get actively involved in the **design** and **delivery** of clinical research to make sure that it is relevant to young people;
- researchers planning to undertake health research with children and young people visit YPAG to get input and advice on any element of their project- we learn about their clinical research and discuss how to make it work better for young people;
- attend events and conferences like today's to speak about our work and to encourage researchers to engage with us!

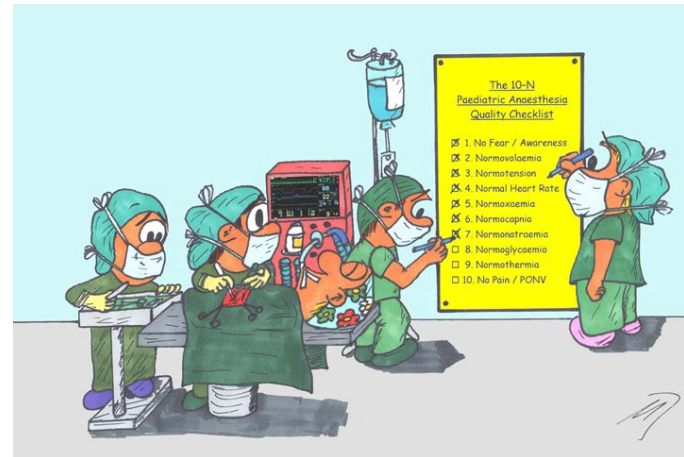


# How I've been involved – my first meeting

– reviewed Patient Information Sheets for different age groups for a project on Vitamin D in children




– gave my views on a study to compare the long-term outcomes after two different anaesthetics



– gave feedback on a clinical trial of gene therapy for children with a genetic liver disease



What would we like to see in the future for children and young people's involvement in health research?

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Children and young people as **partners** from the early stages of research;

Involving more children and young people as **Research Ambassadors!**

ensuring future research is more **relevant** to children and young people and establishing an ongoing dialogue with them.

# Find out more

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**Running a research project and want our input?**

**Email:** [research.ppi@gosh.nhs.uk](mailto:research.ppi@gosh.nhs.uk)

**Want to meet the other Generation R groups?**

**Website:** [www.generationr.org.uk](http://www.generationr.org.uk)

**Training for Researchers**

**Website:** <http://www.uclhospitals.brc.nihr.ac.uk/investigators/ppi-training>