

Westminster Health Forum policy conference
Priorities for clinical research in the UK - funding, efficiency and improving patient involvement

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 2nd November 2021

*****Taking Place Online*****



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Draft agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Priorities for advancing clinical research and overcoming key challenges**
Professor Matt Westmore, Chief Executive, Health Research Authority
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 Break
- 9.35 **Clinical research during COVID-19 and key lessons to take forward**
Senior representative, research
- 9.45 **Key issues for funding and maintaining the UK's status as a leading research destination**
Senior speaker to be confirmed
- 9.55 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.05 **Driving efficiency and participation in clinical research - utilising data, developing digital infrastructure, and innovative approaches to clinical trials**
Professor Tim Hubbard, Professor of Bioinformatics, Kings College London and Associate Director, Health Data Research UK London Site
Jacob West, Director, Healthcare and Life Sciences, Microsoft
Senior representative, clinical trials
- 10.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Improving patient access to innovative research and instilling trust and transparency**
Professor Alastair Denniston, Director, INSIGHT, Health Data Research UK; Consultant Ophthalmologist, Research and Innovation, University Hospitals Birmingham NHSFT; and Deputy Director, Birmingham Health Partners Centre for Regulatory Science and Innovation
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.05 Break
- 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**
Chris Green MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Medical Research
- 11.20 **Key priorities for improving patient and community involvement in research**
Jeremy Taylor, NIHR Director for Public Voice and Director, NIHR Centre for Engagement and Dissemination
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Utilising patient insight to inform and improve research outcomes**
Dr Samantha Walker, Director of Research and Innovation, Asthma UK and British Lung Foundation
- 11.50 **Increasing diversity and developing an inclusive research environment**
Dr Amitava Banerjee, Associate Professor in Clinical Data Science and Honorary Consultant Cardiologist, UCL
- 12.00 **The role of research in addressing health inequalities across the UK**
Hannah Davies, Head of External Affairs and Health Inequalities Lead, Northern Health Science Alliance
- 12.10 **Supporting the research delivery workforce - skills, training, and resilience**
Professor Moira Whyte, Sir John Crofton Professor of Respiratory Medicine, University of Edinburgh; and Chair, Training and Careers Group, Medical Research Council
- 12.20 **Developing a research culture across the health system**
Senior representative, NHS
- 12.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks**
Chris Green MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Medical Research
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Westminster Health Forum