**Introductory Clinical Research Training Scheme**

**2025 Project Proposal**

This form should be completed by candidates who wish to submit their own project to accompany their application for the [**Introductory Clinical Research Training Scheme**](https://www.kcl.ac.uk/news/nihr-maudsley-brc-introductory-clinical-research-training-fellowships)**.** Candidates can additionally (or alternatively) select from the projects listed for this scheme (please see the link above).

*This form must be completed in collaboration with the proposed project supervisor.*

Before completing and submitting this form, please refer to the [eligibility criteria](https://www.kcl.ac.uk/news/nihr-maudsley-brc-introductory-clinical-research-training-fellowships) for this scheme. Proposals received from ineligible applicants will not be sent forward for review.

**Placement Project Eligibility**

For this scheme, projects must be at the interface of clinical and research practice, involving patient recruitment and access to clinical areas. For example, the placement project could be a clinical trial providing the appointee with the opportunity to participate in recruitment and trials procedures; other projects with patient facing aspects may also be appropriate.

Projects must fit at least one of the four key [strategic goals](https://www.maudsleybrc.nihr.ac.uk/research/) of the NIHR Maudsley BRC.

**Training**

As this is a research training position, it is expected that the placement will provide the opportunity for the candidate to:

* Undertake relevant training. As a minimum this should include Good Clinical Practice (GCP)
* Participate in academic activities, for example and not limited to:
  + Attend lab or project meetings, seminars and journal clubs
  + Review and critique research papers, outcome measures, interview schedules, etc.
  + Help prepare an ethics application
  + Attend an ethics committee
  + Witness / participate in the procedure for recruiting patients
  + Become familiar with the C4C process
  + Spend time in the CRF.

**Please note: NIHR funding does not permit pre-clinical (e.g animal) research.**

*Once completed, please upload the proposal to the online application for this scheme:*

[*https://qualtrics.kcl.ac.uk/jfe/form/SV\_8jPGkvgLpeNOLpI*](https://qualtrics.kcl.ac.uk/jfe/form/SV_8jPGkvgLpeNOLpI)

**The deadline for submission to this call** is **23.59** (BST) on **Monday 09 June 2025**.

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**Project Proposal Form**

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| Candidate’s Name: |
| Contact email: |

**Proposed project supervisor**

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| Name: |
| Email: |
| IoPPN Department: |
| Research Group: |

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| **Proposed project title:** |

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| **Summary of the project**  Please include the following:   * The primary research question being addressed and aims * Details of the project, including methods * Resources required for the project and evidence that you will have access to these |

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| **Specify the role of the candidate within the project team:** *Please note: The role must provide opportunities for the candidate to develop their knowledge and skills with a view to progressing their career in clinical research* |

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| **Please provide a brief breakdown of estimated timelines noting that the placement will be for a maximum of 24 months at 0.4FTE.** **Please note:** This timeline must include the development of an application for an externally funded pre-doctoral career development award. |

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| **Please provide details of areas of the NIHR Maudsley BRC infrastructure where the candidate will have the opportunity to work:** |

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| **Outline the training and development opportunities that will be offered as part of the placement by both the project team and host department:** |

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| **Please summarise the opportunities for patient and public involvement and engagement during the proposed placement:** |

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| **What are the expected outcomes for the candidate at the end of 12 months and at the end of 24 months?** *For example: named contributor to a published paper* |
| Expected outcomes at 12 months: |
| Expected outcomes at 24 months: |

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| **Specify any training and consumables costs that cannot be met from other funding sources.** Costs (figures) must be provided*.*  **Please note:** NIHR Maudsley BRC funding cannot be used to purchase office stationery or computer equipment; this includes desktop computers, laptops; tablets; mobile/smart phone devices. |

**Which NIHR Maudsley BRC** [**research goals**](https://www.maudsleybrc.nihr.ac.uk/research/) **does your project proposal meet?** Please indicate all that are applicable.

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| Whole person care |  |
| Translational informatics |  |
| Precision psychiatry |  |
| Novel therapeutics. |  |

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| **Please explain how your project proposal fits the research goals you have indicated:** (maximum 200 words) |
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**Which NIHR Maudsley BRC research theme/s does your project proposal fit with?** Please indicate all that are applicable.

## Clinical disorder focused research themes

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| Child Mental Health and Neurodevelopmental Disorders |  |
| Eating Disorders and Obesity |  |
| Psychosis and Mood Disorders |  |
| Pain and Addictions |  |
| Motor Neuron Disease |  |

## Technology and methodology focused research themes

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| Informatics |  |
| Trials, Genomics and Prediction |  |
| Neuroimaging |  |
| Experimental Medicine and Novel Therapeutics |  |
| Digital Therapies |  |

**Does the placement involve either of the Maudsley BRC Cross-cutting infrastructure? *(please tick all that are applicable)***

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| BioResource |  |
| Clinical Research Facility |  |

**Letter of Support from proposed supervisor**

Please ask your proposed supervisor to either provide their letter of support on this page, or add their letter to the end of this document

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**Thank you.**