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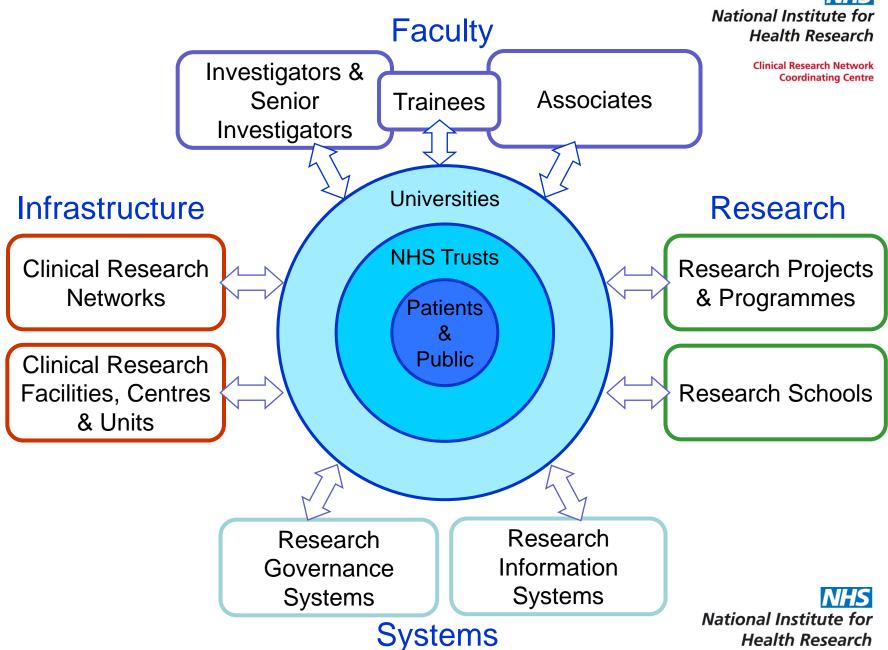
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Speaker Name	Statement
Professor Robert Read:	None declared
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UKCRN, the Comprehensive Clinical Research Network and Specialty Groups



The NIHR Health Research System



NIHR Clinical Research Networks

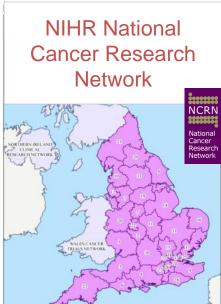








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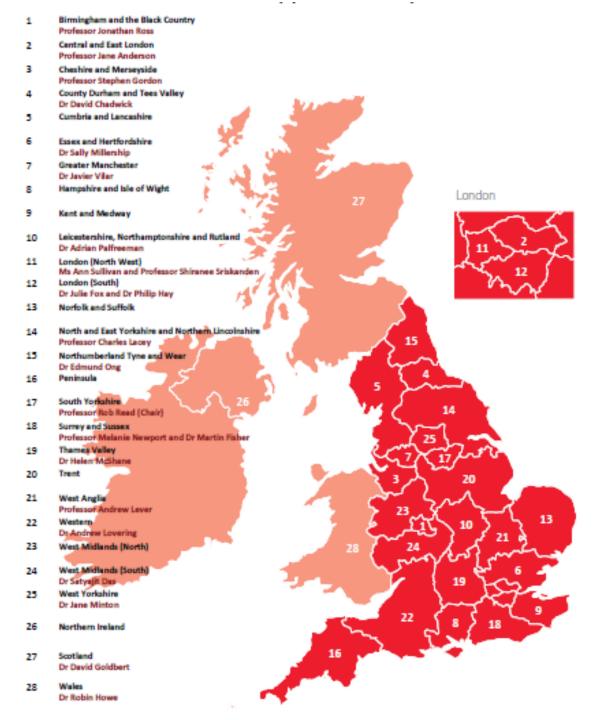




A change in the way the NHS supports research



- Ring fenced R&D budget (>£250m for CRNs) and a rigorous process of accountability
- Activity-based funding allocations to CLRNs
- Directed to research of demonstrable quality
- A national database of research projects with key information
- Streamlined approvals process
- Active management of the portfolio
- Identification of barriers and an infrastructure to address these



NHS Vational Institute for Health Research



6 Consultants Microbiology

7 Consultants GU

3 Consultants Virology

3 Consultant Nurses

7 Portfolio Research Projects

13 Non-portfolio projects

4 (3 WTE)
Research Nurses

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Clinical Research Network
Coordinating Centre

What is Portfolio?



Clinical Research Network
Coordinating Centre

- NIHR/Department of Health
- Research Council
- Research Charities; open competition/peer review
- Industry-sponsored NIHR-adopted

NOT PORTFOLIO:

Industry/commercial non-adopted Local funding



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Nursing, admin and clerical support

Clinical Research Facility

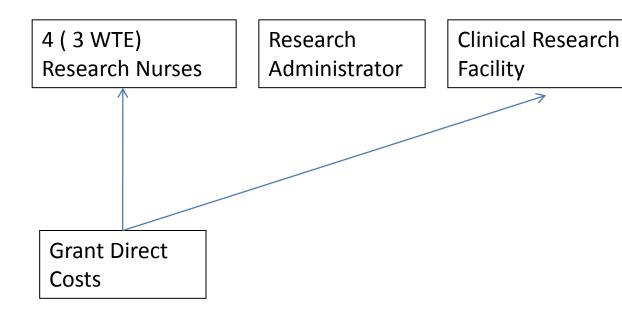


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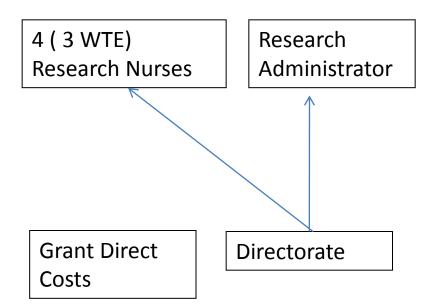


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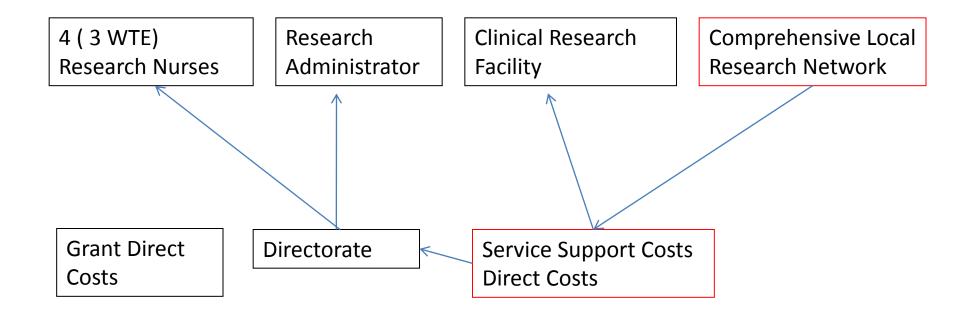
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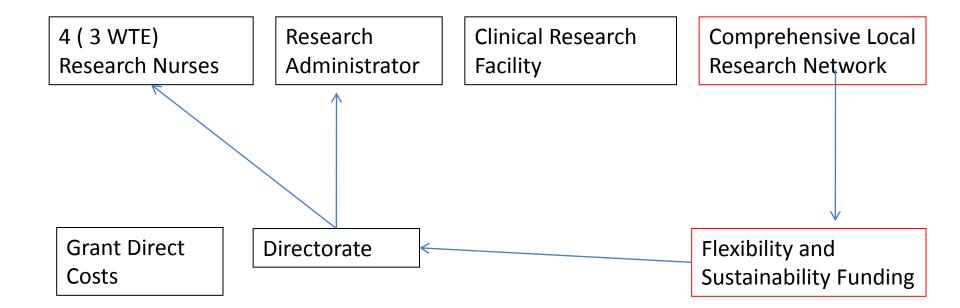




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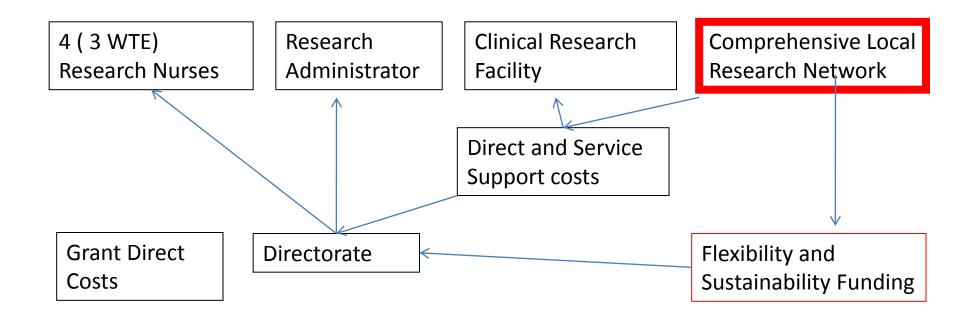




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What type of support do CLRNs provide?

Clinical Research Network
Coordinating Centre

appropriate staff costs, such as:

a part time Clinical Lead for Research

a full time Network Manager

Research Management staff

Research Nurses

Clinical Trials Officers/Practitioners

Data Managers

sessional protected time for clinicians of all professions recruiting portfolio patients other clinical staff sessions

appropriate diagnostic test or clinical services costs, such as:

pharmacy support microbiology support radiology support information technology support

essential running costs

office set up office consumables

essential training and education:

launch meetings

topic specific operational and training meetings.



Specialty Groups

- Age & Ageing
- Anaesthetics
- Cardiovascular
- Clinical Genetics
- Critical Care
- Dermatology
- FNT
- Gastroenterology
- Health Services Research
- Hepatology
- Immunology & Inflammation
- Infectious Diseases & Microbiology
- Injuries & Accidents

- Metabolic & Endocrine
- Musculoskeletal
- Nervous System Disorders
- Non-Malignant Haematology
- Ophthalmology
- Oral & Dental
- Paediatrics
- Public Health
- Renal
- Reproductive Health & Childbirth
- Respiratory
- Surgery
- Urogenital

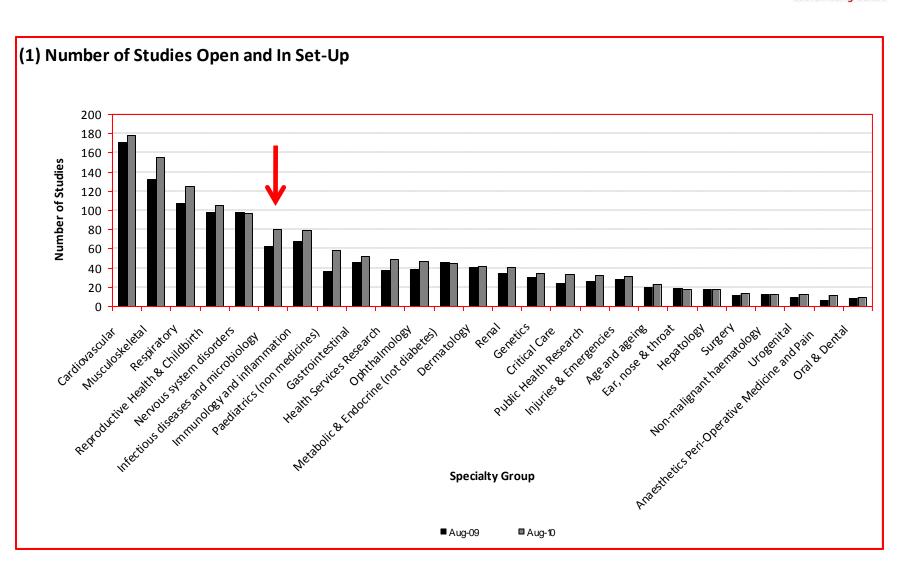
The NIHR Clinical Research Network's national objectives



- Increase the number of participants involved in research
 - Identify failing studies and support recruitment
- Increase the proportion of studies delivering to time and target (commercial and non-commercial)
 - Identify failing studies and recruit new centres
- Increase the percentage of industry contract studies delivered through the NIHR CRN
 - Teleconferences to assign portfolio status
- Increase the percentage of NHS Trusts participating in NIHR Portfolio studies
 - Identify failing studies and recruit new centres
 - Identify portfolio studies that are not automatically portfolio

Specialty Groups







Thank you!

