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NCRI newsletter

Greetings!

Happy new year! We hope you had an enjoyable festive break. We're getting back in to the swing of things here and our Director, Karen Kennedy, gives an overview of the key plans for our activities in the year ahead. We also have a round up of updates across NCRI including an exciting opportunity for new trustees to join our Board of Trustees. Read on to find out more and for other research-related news from the NCRI Partnership and beyond.

Best wishes

The NCRI Team

This issue's features

What to look out for from NCRI in 2016

Much like last year, 2016 looks set to be a busy one for NCRI. Karen Kennedy, NCRI Director, gives an overview of the key plans and events that are on the cards for some of our collaborative activities in the year ahead.

[Find out more](#)

Updates across NCRI activities

NCRI trustee opportunities: join us in enabling faster progress against cancer

NCRI is seeking trustees to join its Board of Trustees and help strengthen its core purpose of promoting coordination and collaboration in cancer research. We're looking to recruit people from a wide range of backgrounds and encourage interest from individuals whose lives have been affected by

cancer. Our trustees are the custodians of the NCRI, responsible for ensuring that our resources are used effectively in pursuit of our objectives. Trustees also have oversight of our strategic vision and hold us accountable to our objectives.

[Find out more](#)

Applications for members of the NCRI Clinical Studies Groups now open

NCRI is seeking scientific members for ten of its Clinical Studies Groups (CSGs) as follows: Brain, Breast, Children's Cancer & Leukaemia, Colorectal, Lung, Lymphoma, Primary Care, Skin, Testis and Upper GI Cancer CSGs. Membership is for three years in the first instance, with an option to reapply for a further three years. Application deadline is 5pm, 29 January 2016.

[Find out more](#)

Welcome to NCRI's new Head of Strategic Planning and Initiatives

We're pleased to welcome Susan Kohlhaas as NCRI's new Head of Strategic Planning and Initiatives. Susan will be leading her team in scoping new strategic directions and initiatives for NCRI, maintaining the NCRI Cancer Research Database (CaRD) and developing and implementing plans for specific initiatives. Susan joins us from the Multiple Sclerosis Society where she was Head of Biomedical Research.

[Find out more about Susan and the rest of the NCRI Senior Management Team](#)

Partner and research news

Harpal Kumar, Chief Executive of Cancer Research UK, knighted for services to cancer research

Harpal Kumar, Chief Executive of Cancer Research UK and a past Chair of NCRI has received a knighthood for services to cancer research.

[Find out more](#)

Helen Rippon appointed Chief Executive of Worldwide Cancer Research

Previously Director of Research at Worldwide Cancer Research, Dr Rippon has been overseeing the charity's programme of research funding and acting as scientific adviser to the Chief Executive and the Board. Dr Rippon takes the reins from Norman Barrett, who after eight years with the charity, has taken retirement.

[Find out more](#)

Bloodwise introduce their new Research Director

In a recent blog on the Bloodwise website, Dr Alasdair Rankin, Bloodwise's new Research Director, updates readers on some of the exciting new blood cancer research the charity will be focusing on over the coming months.

[Find out more](#)

Children with Cancer UK announce their 2016 Conference

Childhood Cancer 2016 will take place from 5-7 September 2016 at Church House Conference Centre in London. This international conference will showcase state-of-the-art translational science in childhood cancer. The call for abstracts is now open, the submission deadline is 8 April.

[Find out more](#)

Cancer Research UK launch a new patient involvement webpage

Cancer Research UK have launched a new webpage aimed at people who have been affected by cancer; showcasing opportunities for them to help shape the work of the charity by sharing their

experiences of diagnosis, treatment and care.

[Find out more](#)

Good news for health research on the Data Protection Regulation

On 15 December the European Parliament, Council of Ministers and the European Commission finished their series of trilogue negotiations to find a compromise text on the Data Protection Regulation. The European Data in Health Research Alliance warmly welcomes the compromise text on research, which includes provisions to support scientific research while protecting individuals' rights.

[Find out more](#)

UK Policy Framework for Health and Social Care Research

The Health Research Authority and the Devolved Administrations are consulting on a new UK Policy Framework for Health and Social Care Research. This sets out principles of good practice in the management and conduct of health and social care research in the UK. Respond by 24 March 2016.

[Find out more](#)

Reports, publications and resources

Marie Curie: measuring the impact of research investment

Marie Curie have launched their first Research Impact Report for 2014/15, showcasing the outputs of the research they fund, and how this investment is helping to improve palliative and end of life care for people with any terminal illness, their carers, friends and families.

[Find out more](#)

Exploring barriers to public engagement by UK researchers: research results

The Wellcome Trust have recently published a report 'Factors Affecting Public Engagement by Researchers: A study on behalf of a Consortium of UK public research funders.'

[Find out more](#)

Tenovus Cancer Care 2014/15 impact report

Tenovus Cancer Care recently published their 2014/15 impact report online.

[Find out more](#)

Prostate Cancer UK 2014/15 annual review

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Events and opportunities

[NIHR Fellowships Programme 2016. Apply by 20 Jan.](#)

[2016 British Thoracic Oncology Group \(BTOG\) Conference, Dublin. Starts 27 Jan](#)

[The Cancer Research UK-MedImmune Alliance Laboratory call for proposals. Apply by 31 Jan.](#)

[Children with Cancer UK's research workshop, London. Starts 1 Feb.](#)

[NIHR public health research: Programme Advisory Board vacancies. Apply by 1 Feb.](#)

[Cancer Research UK's Grand Challenge. Apply by 12 Feb.](#)

[Cancer Research UK's Population Research Catalyst Award. Apply by 19 Feb](#)

[Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation research grant. Apply by 29 Feb](#)

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