



North East and North Cumbria Peer Research Community of Practice This 'insider' status of the peer-researcher

12th December 2024, 1-2pm

Online

Time	Activity
1.00	 Welcome and introductions Felicity Shenton, NIHR ARC NENC PICE Manager, CNTW NHS FT Peter van der Graaf, AskFuse Research Manager, Northumbria University
1.05 – 1.35	Dr Gill McGill - Co-Director of The Northern Hub for Veterans and Military Families' Research & Mary Moreland PhD Candidate, Northern Hub for Veterans and Military Families' Research Peer-informed exploratory research has played a critical role in providing a conduit for the voices of the Armed Forces bereaved community. This 'insider' status of the peer-researcher, Mary Moreland, was viewed as a crucial intermediary between the research team and the military bereaved community, and it had a significant impact on the recruitment of 'seldom heard' participants.
	The peer researcher role also supported the design of studies with military bereaved families and key stakeholders, writing of the technical reports for funders, dissemination of the findings and contributing to published academic papers. These opportunities for personal development were also considered as an important aspect of embedding a peer-researcher within the study teams. This led to an opportunity for Mary to undertake a PhD and to take forward evidence-based recommendations.
1.35 – 1.50	Q&A
1.55	Next meeting (Joint ARC, Fuse & PHIRST) Tuesday 21 st January 2025, 1.00pm-3.00pm "Co-producing evaluations and mobilising knowledge with local authorities" Theatre Room, Jarrow Focus, South Tyneside
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