

# PUBLIC PARTNERSHIP TRAINING PROGRAMME

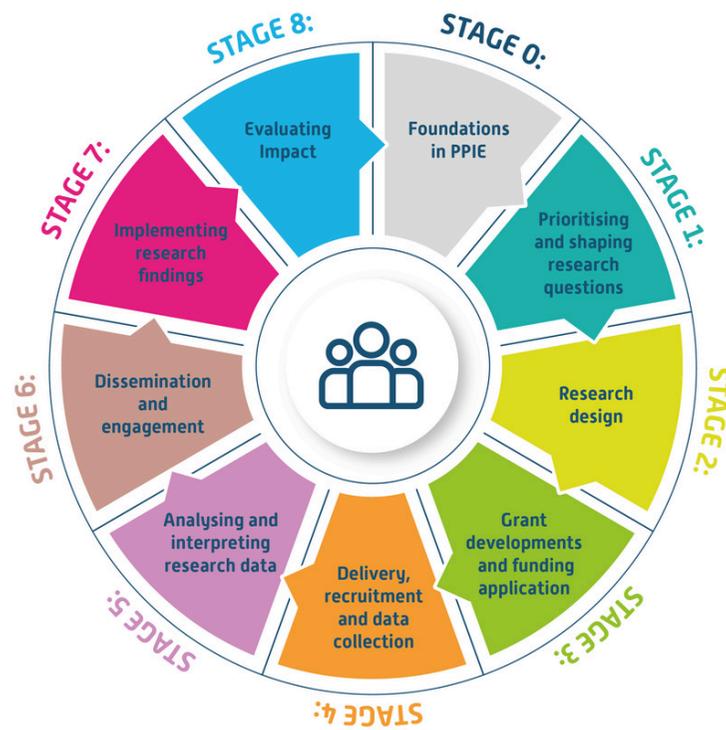
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Join us for our **free**, engaging and comprehensive public partnership training programme, designed for:

- Research staff
- Public contributors
- PPIE professionals
- Healthcare professionals
- VCSE sector staff



A session from the successful  
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**September 2025**  
– June 2026



**North East Region**

# Programme: September – November 2025

Stage	Session	Session Info	Trainer(s)	Audience	Date & Time	Format	Spaces available
Research Inclusion	D/deaf Awareness	Comprehensive guide to understanding and supporting individuals with hearing loss. Designed to educate about the nuances of D/deafness	Heidi Jobling, Deaflink	All	10/09/25 13:00 – 16:00	In person	15
Stage 0	Confidence to do Patient and Public Involvement	Practice discussing your research with PPI contributors in a safe, supportive session designed to build confidence and improve communication	Chris Gibbs, CNTW & Hannah Murray, Newcastle University	Research staff	16/09/25 13:00 – 15:30	In person	20
Research Inclusion	Navigating Intersectionality & Public Involvement	Conducting research with marginalised groups may highlight issues of power and privilege, along with cultural twists and turns to navigate	Dr Mark Adley, Newcastle University, Liv Evans and Kassim Ali	Research Staff	18/09/25 10:00 – 13:00	In person	30
Stage 0	Introduction to PPIE in Research	Introduction to public involvement and community engagement in health and social care research	Dr Felicity Shenton & Dr Angela Wearn, NIHR ARC	All	23/09/25 13:30 – 15:00	Online	30

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Stage 1	Facilitating PPI Sessions & Supporting Participants	This will explore facilitating group discussion sessions with public contributors, how best to support their involvement and to consider some of the barriers	Janine Smith, Public Contributor	All	08/10/25 10:30 - 11:30	Online	15
Stage 0	Introduction to PPIE in Research for Public Contributors	Learn about the fundamentals of PPIE and why public contributors should get involved	Victoria Bartle & Chris Lloyd, Public Contributors	Public Contributors	16/10/25 10:00 - 12:00	In person	20
Stage 0	Introduction to PPIE in Research for Research Staff	We will explore different PPIE activities and their impact, barriers and enablers that exist, and provide examples of PPIE in action	Dan Duhin, NIHR	Research staff	23/10/25 10:30 - 12:00	In person	20
Research Inclusion	Disability Awareness	An engaging training session on Disability Equality and Inclusion, delivered by disabled people who share both personal and collective lived experiences, alongside key theories and models of disability	Ian Atkinson and Sandra Atkinson, Involved & Equal	All	13/11/25 13:00 - 16:00	Online	25

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Stage 1	Dark Models and Bright Ideas: Shaping Research Questions with the Public	This session explores the role of PPIE in shaping research questions. Co-delivered by a public contributor actively engaged in multiple research projects	Raya Vinogradov and Janine Smith	All	17/11/25 10:00 - 11:00	In person	15
Stage 2	Ethics in Community Research: What Do We Need To Think About?	This session will focus on the issue of ethics within community research. The issue of ethics and ethical research is one that is essential to <i>any</i> research, but is particularly pertinent in the context of research that focuses on communities	Dr Andy Divers, Teesside University	All	24/11/25 10:00 - 12:00	In person	20
Research Inclusion	Navigating Intersectionality & Public Involvement	Conducting research alongside marginalised groups may bring issues of power and privilege to the foreground, and there may also be some cultural twists and turns to navigate	Dr Mark Adley, Newcastle University, Liv Evans and Kassim Ali	Research Staff	27/11/25 10:00 - 13:00	In person	30



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# UPCOMING SESSIONS

## Research Cycle Sessions

Introduction to PPIE

Introduction to PPIE in Research  
for Research Staff

Confidence to do PPIE

Introduction to Setting up a  
Public Advisory Group

Inclusive Research Design  
and Delivery

How to Involve People in  
Funding Applications

From Stage to Study: Using  
Drama to Facilitate Inclusive  
Focus Groups

Making Sense of Qualitative  
Data Together

Introduction to Engagement  
and Dissemination

Dissemination of Research  
Outputs by Engagement

Evaluating Impact

This programme is open to people and organisations based in the **North East** and **North Cumbria**, as well as those from the **following organisations**:

- NIHR Biomedical Research Centre (BRC)
- NIHR Applied Research Collaboration (ARC)
- NIHR Innovation Observatory (IO)

- NIHR Research Support Service (RSS)
- NIHR Policy Research Unit (PRU)
- NIHR Research Delivery Network (RDN)
- NIHR HRC in Diagnostic & Technology Evaluation (HRC)

# UPCOMING SESSIONS

## Research Inclusion Sessions

Jewish Cultural Awareness

Engaging Women from  
Marginalised Communities

What is the Voluntary,  
Community and Social  
Enterprise Sector (VCSE)?

Cultural Competency Training

How to Speak Simply to  
Learners of English

Research Abilities - How to  
Engage People with Learning  
Disabilities in Research

Unlocking Young Voices:  
Engaging the next  
Generation in Research

Understanding Islam and  
Muslims

Health Inequalities

Health Literacy

How to Work Effectively with  
Interpreters and Translators

Health on the Move

How to Engage, Undertake and  
Deliver Equitable Research with  
People Seeking Asylum and  
Refugees



Sessions taking place from **January - March 2026**  
will be advertised in October 2025



Sessions taking place from **April - June 2026**  
will be advertised in February 2026



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