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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 Duhrin, 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

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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