Health and Care Research Wales
NHS Research Time Award (NHS.RTA) 2021
Panel Meeting

Public minutes

Date
Wednesday 1 December 2021

Venue
Virtual meeting

Chair
Michael Bowdery, Head of Programmes, Health and Care Research Wales

Panel members present
Adele Battaglia, Public member
Steve Bain, Swansea Bay University Health Board
Lynne Grundy, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
Zoe Hoare, Bangor University
Kerry Hood, Cardiff University
Richard Kyle, Public Health Wales NHS Trust
Bob McAlister, Public member
Push Mangat, Health Education and Improvement Wales (HEIW)
Leighton Phillips, Hywel Dda University Health Board
Nigel Rees, Wales Ambulance NHS Trust
Jeremy Tuck, Powys Teaching Health Board
Nicola Williams, Health and Care Research Wales Support & Delivery Centre

Health and Care Research Wales secretariat
Marc Boggett, Research & Development Division, Welsh Government
Emma Small, Research & Development Division, Welsh Government

Apologies
Greg Fegan, Swansea University

Observers
Claire Bond, Research & Development Division, Welsh Government
Pablo Sanz, Reserve Public Member
**Introductory summary**

Following remit and eligibility checks, the NHS Research Time Award (NHS.RTA) Panel considered 17 applications. A summary of the funding recommendations can be found below.

Four applications were recommended for funding by the Board, all of which were subsequently approved for funding by Health and Care Research Wales, with a total lifetime value of £356,789.

In line with the Health and Care Research Wales’ Conflicts of Interest policy, individuals with conflicts did not take part in discussions of the relevant application and did not score those applications.

**Summary of funding recommendations**

The four applications recommended for funding were:

**Project reference:** NHS.RTA-21-01  
**Awardee:** Dr Lucy Jones, Associate Specialist in Sexual health and Infectious disease  
**Area of research interest:** Differential immune responses to COVID/COVID vaccines in adults and children/young people  
**Institution:** Cwm Taf Morganwg University Health Board  
**Cost:** £83,322

**Project reference:** NHS.RTA-21-02  
**Awardee:** Dr Alan Woodall, Clinical lead in integrated mental health  
**Area of research interest:** Public mental health and polypharmacy optimisation for patients with serious mental illness  
**Institution:** Powys Teaching Health Board  
**Cost:** £86,769

**Project reference:** NHS.RTA-21-06  
**Awardee:** Dr Peter Cnudde, Consultant Trauma & Orthopaedics  
**Area of research interest:** Development of a technology-enabled pathway for arthroplasty patients  
**Institution:** Hywel Dda University Health Board  
**Cost:** £90,231

**Project reference:** NHS.RTA-21-08  
**Awardee:** Dr Sarah Bell, Consultant Obstetric Anaesthetist  
**Area of research interest:** Post-partum haemorrhage, obstetric sepsis, obstetric critical care  
**Institution:** Cardiff and Vale University Health Board  
**Cost:** £96,467
Further information

Further details of the awards will be available on the Health and Care Research Wales Our funded projects tool.