

**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 Cadwaldr 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 Morganwng 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.