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Social care research, innovation and improvement skills project: what this means for social care research in Wales

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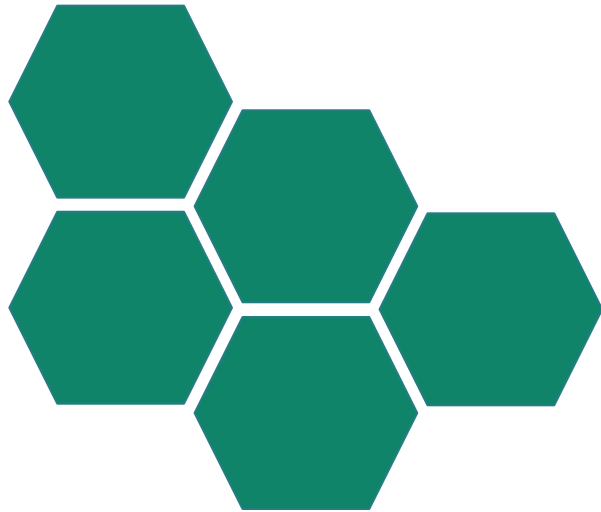
- Increased support for practitioners in social care to be more research minded and undertake action research, support the delivery of research projects, and undertake service evaluations within their own organisations
- What about those who want to develop a research career further?
- Historically there has been relatively few opportunities in a landscape that isn't easy to navigate and with barriers to access (often financial)
- Professional doctorates (predominantly self-funded); doctoral studentships (stipends often much less than salary); lack of intermediate steps

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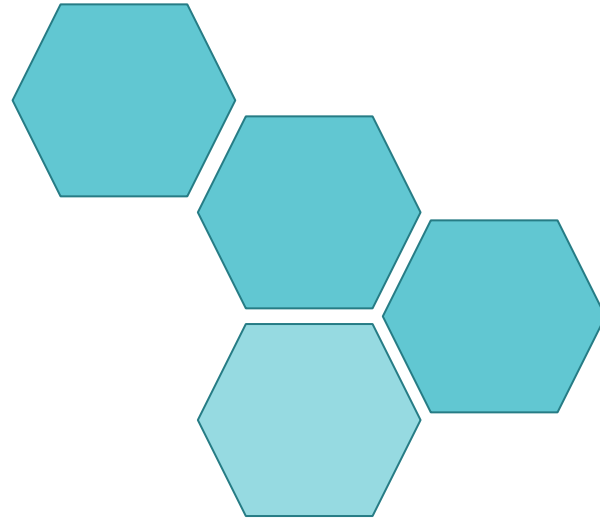
- The new personal awards programme through the Health and Research Wales Faculty
- Research Training Award - course fees and buy out of one day a week to attend a masters level research methods-based course.
- Emerging Researcher Award – a first steps award providing funding to buy out time for 2 days a week for up to 2 years
- Doctoral Fellowship awards – funding to undertake a full-time PhD covering course fees and full salary replacement – increased capacity in terms of places.

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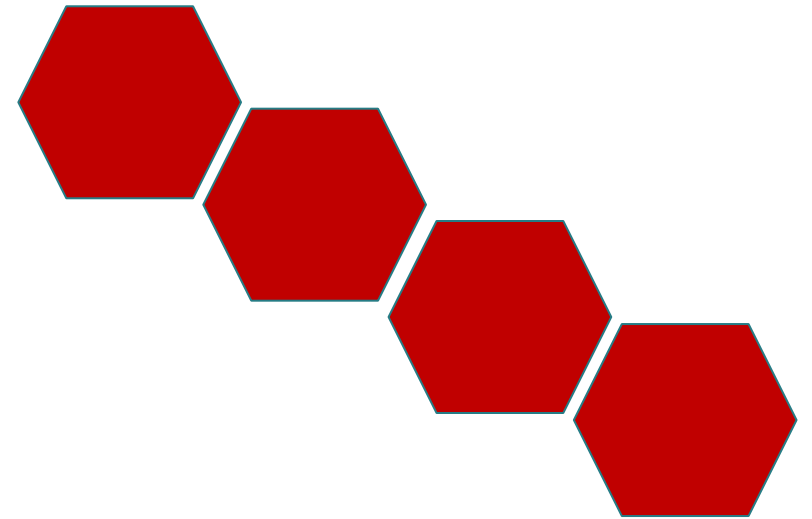
- These sit within a wider programme of awards that provide support at various stages of a research career – post doctoral fellowships, advancing researcher awards, personal accelerator awards
- Funding of Welsh social care research infrastructure – CASCADE, CARE, CADR
- Providing a route through not historically available to those wanting to be social care researchers in Wales



Research Mindedness



Pre and Doctoral



Independent Research



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