

AT A GLANCE

Clinical Research Strategy 2022/27



Research at the heart of North Bristol NHS Trust

North Bristol NHS Trust (NBT) is proud to provide hospital and community healthcare that supports our local populations across Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucester and those we serve as part of our regional and national specialised services.

Research forms an integral part of the Trust's strategic aims and the delivery of the Trust's ambitions. Encouraging a research-positive culture in healthcare is important to give patients wider access to clinical research, improving treatment outcomes, patient care and experience.

Maria Kane, Chief Executive

Our VISION

To improve peoples' health and care through the development and delivery of world-class research.

Our MISSION

To improve the health and wellbeing of our patients and local populations through excellence in research, conscious of inclusivity, minimising environmental impact, developed and delivered by a highly skilled, committed workforce.

Founding Principles

The last five years has seen substantial changes in societal attitudes and responsibilities in two significant spheres. COVID-19 and the Black Lives Matter movement have both highlighted the lack of progress healthcare and research has made in ensuring inclusivity and representation from all our communities and the consequential health and wellbeing inequalities. During the same period the NHS and NBT have declared a climate emergency in recognition of the impact on health and wellbeing that environmental factors are causing. As a result two overarching principles have been included in the new strategy.

Principle One

In everything we do we will seek true equality and inclusivity.

Principle Two

In everything we do we will seek to minimise the negative environmental impact of our actions.



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Aim ONE

Engage and empower patients and public as partners in our world-class research

What we will do:

- Enable more people to engage in public and patient involvement (PPI) and co-production of research
- Provide research opportunities that reflect our patients' experiences
- Improve patient safety and experience by demonstrating and implementing research results

Aim TWO

Support our workforce to develop and enhance their knowledge and skills to deliver world-class research

What we will do:

- Build upon the skills of our workforce and volunteers
- Develop the future workforce
- Develop improved career pathways for all our research staff

Aim THREE

Research will be a core principle underpinning the day-to-day business of the Trust

What we will do:

- Increase awareness of research and its impact on clinical care
- Deliver research that improves healthcare and patient experience
- Embed research in the care pathway of all NBT services

Aim FOUR

Further develop our expertise in research design, management, and delivery to make NBT a national exemplar for cross-system research and innovation

What we will do:

- Build on our reputation for cross-system research and innovation to make us the collaborator and centre of choice
- Identify our strengths, clinical priorities, and opportunities to develop and deliver world-leading research
- Ensure efficient resource utilisation for the delivery of NBT and cross-system research