

PATIENT INVOLVEMENT FOR FUNDING INSTITUTIONS

Quick guide

PATIENT INVOLVEMENT IN PRIORITIZATION AND GENERATING TOPICS FOR CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

Funders should engage with patient advocates when compiling calls for proposals (CFP), to make sure patient relevance is considered in their text, and to define the requirements applicants would need to fulfil in terms of their patient involvement strategy when responding to a specific CFP. Patient involvement should also be ensured in the dissemination of published CFPs to raise the patient community's interest to collaborate with researchers in applications.



1 Generating patient-relevant Calls for Proposals

BRING RESEARCHERS AND PATIENT COMMUNITIES TOGETHER



Funders should facilitate that researchers identify relevant patient partners for the application and, should the project be approved for funding, for implementing their project.

2 Bringing researchers and applicants together

PROVIDING GUIDANCE TO APPLICANTS

There are different established models and roles of patient involvement. The funder should provide guidance to the applicants in how to develop a patient involvement plan when compiling applications/proposals. Applicants should be encouraged to submit a thorough patient involvement plan with their proposal.



3 Guiding applicants on patient involvement in applications

PROVIDING PRE-APPLICATION FUNDING FOR PATIENT INVOLVEMENT



The patient community often operates with very limited resources. Funders should support organisations or advocates during the application phase, before a project is being funded, for example with small kick-off grants for time resources into the application.

4 Providing pre-application funding

PATIENT INVOLVEMENT IN THE ASSESSMENT OF APPLICATIONS

Funders should engage with patient experts as review panel members when assessing grant applications.



5 Patient involvement in grant reviews