**Application form**

**Round 2 – Patient Safety Research Development Award**

To proceed with your application to the [NIHR GM PSRC Patient Safety Development Award](https://www.psrc-gm.nihr.ac.uk/development-award/), please submit the following documents to [gmpsrc@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:gmpsrc@manchester.ac.uk) by **5pm on Monday, 20 October 2025**.

1. Completed application form
2. Your current CV
3. A letter from your organisation confirming their support for your release from regular duties to undertake this Patient Safety Research Development Award. Please see suggested template [here](https://www.psrc-gm.nihr.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/415/2025/09/Patient-Safety-Research-Development-Award-suggested-letter-1.pdf).

Following submission, candidate applications will be shortlisted for interview and those who are successful will be informed of their interview by Friday, 7 November**.** Interviews have been scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 18 November 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact us at [gmpsrc@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:gmpsrc@manchester.ac.uk).

# **Candidate background information**

1. Candidate full name:
2. Email address 1:
3. Email address 2:
4. Employer name 1:
5. Employer name 2:
6. Work address for correspondence:
7. Contact telephone number 1:
8. Contact telephone number 2:
9. Current position 1:
10. Current position 2:
11. Please provide a brief summary of your current role(s):

*(up to 800 characters)*

1. Professional and higher education qualifications:

1. Please provide details of any current registration(s) with Professional Bodies where applicable:

*Including body name and registration number.*

1. Please use this section to provide details of any publications on which you are an author using the Vancouver referencing format, including published conference abstracts:

*If you have more than 10 journal publications, please provide your top 10.*

*Please state "Not applicable" if you do not have anything to add to this section.*



Not applicable

1. Please use this section to provide details of any conferences you have presented at in the last 5 years:

*Include the name, city and year of the conference, alongside details of whether you presented an oral or poster presentation.*

*Please state "Not applicable" if you do not have anything to add to this section.*

Not applicable

1. Please use this section to describe any awards, prizes, or equivalent markers of esteem you have received that are relevant to research:

*Please include the name of the award, year, and awarding body.*

*Please state "Not applicable" if you do not have anything to add to this section.*

Not applicable

# **What you are applying for**

1. Use the check boxes below to identify the NIHR GM PSRC Teams and named team leads/co-leads that you have previously contacted and sought advice from to prepare this application:

Developing safer health and care systems

[Professor Caroline Sanders:](mailto:Professor%20Caroline%20Sanders:)caroline.sanders@manchester.ac.uk

[Professor Tom Blakeman](mailto:Professor%20Tom%20Blakeman): t.m.blakeman@manchester.ac.uk

Enhancing cultures of safety

[Professor Carolyn Tarrant:](mailto:Professor%20Carolyn%20Tarrant:)carolyn.tarrant@leicester.ac.uk

[Professor Nicola Mackintosh:](mailto:Professor%20Nicola%20Mackintosh: )nicola.mackintosh@leicester.ac.uk

[Professor Natalie Armstrong:](mailto:Professor%20Natalie%20Armstrong:) natalie.armstrong@citystgeorges.ac.uk

Improving medication safety

[Professor Tony Avery:](mailto:Professor%20Tony%20Avery: )anthony.avery@nottingham.ac.uk

[Professor Darren Ashcroft](mailto:Professor%20Darren%20Ashcroft): darren.ashcroft@manchester.ac.uk

Preventing suicide and self-harm

[Professor Nav Kapur](mailto:Professor%20Nav%20Kapur) nav.kapur@manchester.ac.uk

[Professor Roger Webb](mailto:Professor%20Roger%20Webb) roger.webb@manchester.ac.uk

Health economics

[Professor Rachel Elliott:](mailto:Professor%20Rachel%20Elliott:) rachel.a.elliott@manchester.ac.uk

Behavioural Science

[Professor Chris Armitage:](mailto:Professor%20Chris%20Armitage: )chris.armitage@manchester.ac.uk

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

[Dr Penny Lewis](mailto:Dr%20Penny%20Lewis): penny.lewis@manchester.ac.uk

Academic Career Development

Medication Safety in Mental Health or Prison Health Care Transitions

[Dr Richard Keers:](mailto:Dr%20Richard%20Keers:) richard.keers@manchester.ac.uk

Academic Career Development

Patient Safety in Primary Care Transitions and/or Workforce Impacts on Patient Safety

[Professor Maria Panagioti:](mailto:Professor%20Maria%20Panagioti:) maria.panagioti@manchester.ac.uk

1. Please use the box below to indicate your proposed placement start date with the NIHR GM PSRC:

*Note – the award start date must be before the end of January 2026. You are expected to have agreed this information with your line manager(s) and proposed NIHR GM PSRC placement supervisor(s) prior to making your application and your line manager will be asked to confirm on this application.*

Click or tap to enter a date.

1. Please use the box below to indicate the proposed number of placement months you expect to spend with the NIHR GM PSRC (Maximum 12 months):

*Note – you are expected to have agreed this information with your line manager(s) and proposed NIHR GM PSRC placement supervisor(s) prior to making your application and your line manager will be asked to confirm on this application.*

Choose an item.

1. Please indicate below how many days per week you have agreed to be released from your usual duties to attend a placement with the GM PSRC:

*Note – you are expected to have agreed this information with your line manager(s) and proposed NIHR GM PSRC placement supervisor(s) prior to making your application and your line manager will be asked to confirm on this application.*

Choose an item.

# **Payment**

The NIHR GM PSRC Patient Safety Research Development Award will pay your employing organisation backfill for your time spend on placement with us. The award amount is up to £15,000 per person, and this funding should be used to cover all salary backfill, training and public and community involvement and engagement (PCIE) costs for your placement.

Please liaise with the relevant person in your finance department (and your Research and Development Manager if possible) to provide you with the appropriate backfill costings for your time according to the number of days per week and Award length as outlined above.

1. Please provide the cost for your salary backfill based on the number of days per week and Award length as outlined in earlier questions:

*(up to 400 characters)*

1. Please provide the anticipated costs for your training and public and community involvement and engagement (PCIE) activity during the placement:

*Note – you are expected to discuss this issue with your proposed supervisor(s) prior to making your application, and describe these plans further below.*

1. Please provide the total cost of your proposed placement with the NIHR GM PSRC:

*Maximum 15,000*

1. Please indicate here if there are any funding contributions from any other sources (e.g. any matched funding or contributions):

*(up to 400 characters)*

# **Justification for your application**

1. Please explain why you would like to undertake a NIHR GM PSRC Patient Safety Research Development Award:

*Include in your explanation how the Award may support you in your current role and/or future career plans.*

*(up to 800 characters)*

1. Please describe the patient safety challenge that you plan to focus on with this development award:

*(up to 400 characters)*

1. Please describe any current or previous experience you have in patient safety research, audit, service evaluation, or quality improvement:

*Include any conference presentations, publications, and other presentations you have to date.*

*Please state "Not applicable" if you do not have anything to add to this section.*

*(up to 800 characters)*

Not applicable

1. Please outline suggested plans for your placement with the NIHR GM PSRC:

*Note – you are expected to discuss this issue with your proposed supervisor(s) prior to making your application.*

*(up to 800 characters)*

1. Please describe what you hope to achieve by the end of your Award.

*Include in your answer specific reference to:*

1. *A named NIHR Career Development Award (or alternative funding scheme) application that you will work towards, including an anticipated submission date*
2. *Any new skills, knowledge or other development goals.*

*Note – you are expected to discuss this issue with your proposed supervisor(s) prior to making your application.*

*(up to 800 characters)*

1. Please indicate which NIHR Career Development Award (or alternative funding scheme) you intend to work towards an application for as part of your NIHR GM PSRC placement:

*This must have been discussed with your planned placement supervisor(s) prior to submitting your application.*

1. Planned submission date for this application:

Click or tap to enter a date.

1. Please describe the areas of training you would require as part of this Patient Safety Research Development Award.

*Where possible, please indicate the names and dates of specific training course(s) and/or conferences that you would like to attend (training may include for example completing certain postgraduate modules, specialist research skill/method training, leadership, public engagement and co-design training, project planning and dissemination training).*

*Note – you are expected to discuss this issue with your proposed supervisor(s) prior to making your application.*

1. The NIHR GM PSRC Research Development Award includes funding for public and community involvement and engagement (PCIE) work you can complete during your placement with us.

*Please indicate plans you have for PCIE work during your placement, including why this is required, when you intend to carry it out and what impact you expect it to have.*

*Note – you are expected to discuss this issue with your proposed supervisor(s) prior to making your application.*

# **Submission declarations**

1. We will need to liaise with the relevant person in your organisation to arrange the payments for reimbursement of your salary. Please enter the details of the relevant person in your finance department below:

*Name, job title, email address, phone number*

1. **Submission Declarations**

I confirm that the details and information given on this application form are correct and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that no material information has been omitted.

I confirm that this application has been discussed with my employer’s finance department and that the funded provided by this award is enough to support my salary backfill costs for the duration of my proposed Award as stipulated in this application.

If my application is selected following review, I agree to attend an interview on 3rd February 2025 for this Patient Safety Research Development Award.

**END**

Thank you for completing this form.

Please submit it to [gmpsrc@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:gmpsrc@manchester.ac.uk), along with your current CV and a letter from your organisation confirming their support for your release from regular duties to undertake this Patient Safety Research Development Award