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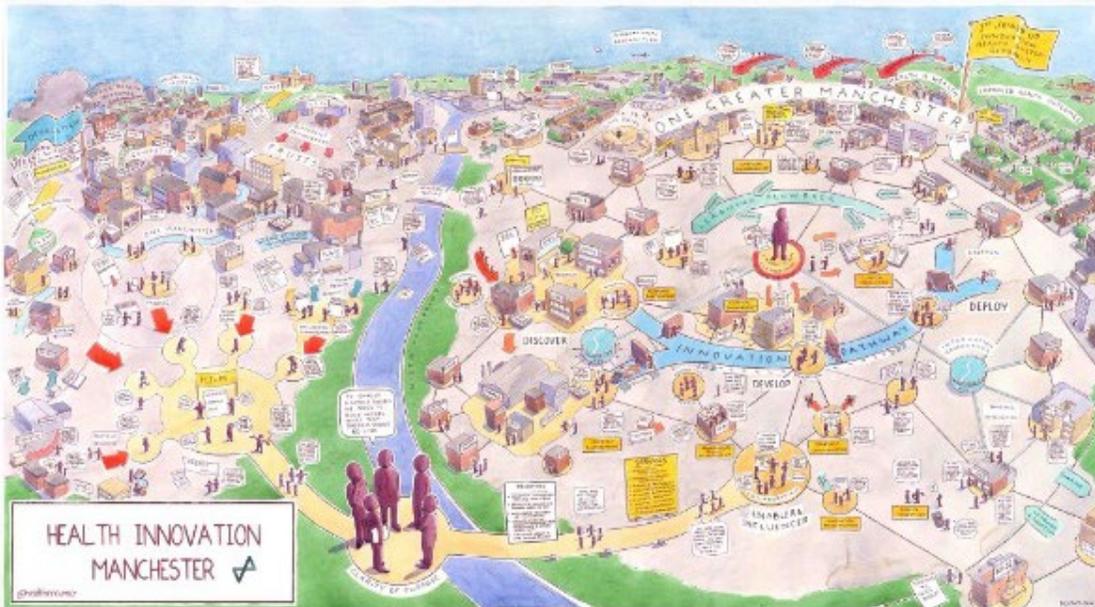
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Here is the Health Innovation Manchester newsletter, bringing you the most recent and trending news from across Greater Manchester's academic health science system (AHSS) and the region's burgeoning life sciences sector.

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News & Updates



Our strategy and plans

Over the last few months Health Innovation Manchester has spent time defining its priorities and plans, as described in the new 'Discover, develop, deploy' Business Plan for 2018 to 2021.

Here in Greater Manchester, we have the unique ability to deliver innovation into frontline care at pace and scale thanks to our £6bn devolved health and social care system, unrivalled digital assets and ambitions, exceptional academic and research capability and thriving industry partnerships. But despite having one of the fastest growing economies in the country, people here die younger than those in other parts of England. In response to this, Health Innovation Manchester has a pivotal role in bringing forward a constant flow of proven innovations that will improve standards of care, modernise practice and improve people's lives.

You can read more about our key priorities and how we will deliver against these in our business plan.

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NICE renews major health improvement partnership with Greater Manchester

A major collaboration between Greater Manchester and the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) has been secured for a further three years.

A Memorandum of Understanding between NICE, Health Innovation Manchester and The University of Manchester has been agreed which sets out a shared commitment to improving the overall health of the population through research and informing health policy and practice, as well as through the development and evaluation of health technologies. Collaboration between the three parties will also focus on teaching, training and education.

A key project which will be undertaken through the partnership is 'Data Lab', which will explore how routinely collected information, such as anonymised data derived from patient records, may be used to evaluate the effectiveness of medicines, new technologies and interventions in the development of NICE guidance.

Ben Bridgewater, Chief Executive of Health Innovation Manchester, commented:

“Being able to use data for research purposes is vital so that we can provide modern day healthcare that radically improves the health and wellbeing of our citizens. Having a shared care record through the LHCRE programme will greatly enhance our ability to conduct world-leading research here in Greater Manchester, providing a richer and more accurate data pool.

“The Data Lab will be a key part of Greater Manchester’s digital innovation offer, where we will use data, insights and engagement to transform services and provide better care to our citizens.”

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New Chair appointment strengthens Health Innovation Manchester Board

Rowena Burns has been appointed as Chair of Health Innovation Manchester for a three-year term.

As the current Chair of Manchester Science Partnerships (MSP), the UK's largest science and technology park operator, Rowena has an impressive track record in senior leadership, including previous roles as group director of the Manchester Airports Group and chief operating officer of Bruntwood, MSP's majority shareholder.

Commenting on her appointment, Rowena said: “Greater Manchester is home to some of the world’s leading research and academic bodies and now thanks to our devolved health and social care system, we have a unique opportunity to combine our efforts and deliver real and lasting improvements for the benefit of our citizens. Crucially, we need to ensure that innovations properly address the health and care needs

of our population and that we radically reduce the time it takes to embed them into practice. This will require collaboration and commitment across the system and Health Innovation Manchester has a significant role in making this happen. I am delighted to be leading the board through this important journey.”

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Professor Donal O'Donoghue awarded OBE in Queen's Birthday Honours

Health Innovation Manchester's Medical Director Donal O'Donoghue has been awarded an OBE in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours List, for his dedicated service to kidney patients.

He was the National Clinical Director for kidney care from 2007 to 2013, working to improve services in vascular and kidney care across the NHS, and is also Professor of Renal Medicine at The University of Manchester. A world renowned researcher who has shaped modern nephrology, he has particular interests in the epidemiology of chronic kidney disease, progression of glomerular disease, renal anaemia, models of service delivery and clinical outcomes.

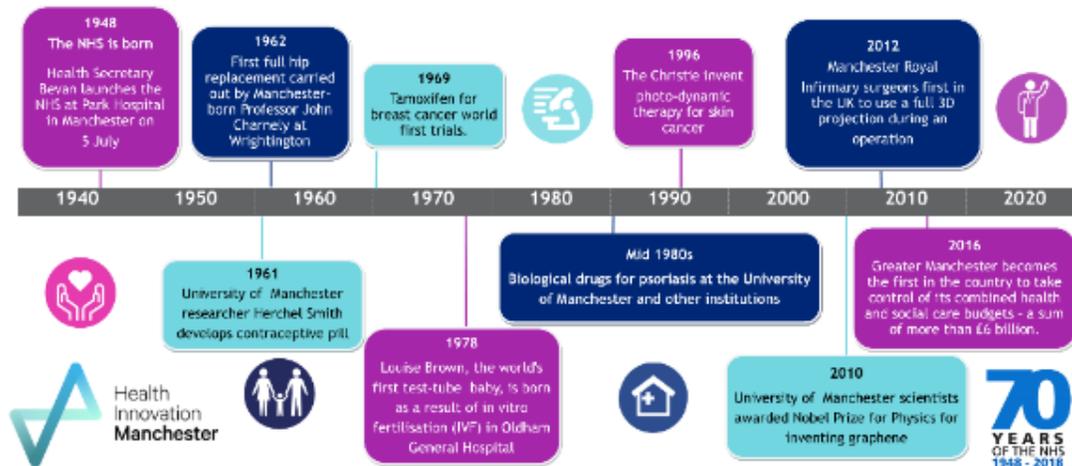


Professor O'Donoghue said of his honour: "I am delighted and humbled to be included in the Queen's Birthday Honours list for services to kidney patients. Kidney disease affects 850 million people worldwide – much of it preventable. It has been my privilege and pleasure to work with a countless number of brilliant and dedicated colleagues and patients locally, nationally and internationally to raise awareness, increase choices and improve care for people with kidney disease."

Congratulations must also go to our Board Director and Chief Officer of the GM Health & Social Care Partnership, Jon Rouse, who was also awarded a CBE in this years' Honours List.

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Celebrating 70 years of Greater Manchester innovations and discoveries



Health Innovation Manchester celebrates 70 years of the NHS

To celebrate 70 years of the NHS on 5 July, Health Innovation Manchester has been sharing infographics and images of key Greater Manchester innovations from the past 70 years as well as some of the innovations Health Innovation Manchester are currently playing a part in.

Follow our Twitter account [here](#) to follow the campaign and see some of the innovations. You can also follow the national campaign using #NHS70.

Salford Royal kidney patients benefit from smartphone home testing device

An innovative digital home testing kit for patients with kidney conditions has been launched by Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust, in partnership with Healthy.io.

The test project will, for the first time in the UK, enable a group of patients to do regular urine tests at home using their smartphone cameras and a digital testing kit. Known as the 'Salford Royal Virtual Renal Clinic', the project will open with its first 50 patients this month, who will be able to use the kit to test their urine from home, reducing the need to visit hospital for the simple test.

Healthy.io is the first company in the world to enable the smartphone camera to be used as a clinical grade diagnostic device. The company is part of the NHS Innovation Accelerator Programme, which aims to facilitate and scale innovation across the NHS.

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AHSNs are the "change catalysts" of the NHS

Speaking last week at the AHSN Network reception at Confed18 in Manchester, Simon Stevens, chief executive of NHS England, thanked the AHSNs for the impact they are having in speeding up the adoption and spread of innovation in the health service.

Simon Stevens said: "We are hugely enthusiastic, not only about the work you've been doing, but frankly the work you are going to do over the coming years."

“You are our ‘change catalysts’ – you know what needs to be done, you’ve got the fuel in the tank to get the job done for us and we are very optimistic that you stand a real chance of producing measurable impact. We want to back you in that effort and strength to your elbows.”

The AHSN Network launched its latest publication at Confed18, detailing the collective impacts since the AHSNs were established in 2013 and outlining future plans and priorities.

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Opportunities and support

NIHR Research for Patient Benefit applications

The NIHR has recently announced the next call for RfPB applications. The research team at Health Innovation Manchester will be reviewing applications for the **Wednesday 18th July 2018 deadline**.

The aim of the internal Peer Review is to enhance the competitiveness of applications from MAHSC members, improving quality by providing critical evaluations of applications in final draft stage.

It is hoped that this procedure will bring about an increase in quality of proposals and with it higher success rates.

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Expert Blogs



Ben Bridgewater, CEO: All models are wrong but some are useful

I spent 10 years or so of my life building risk prediction models to enable comparisons of hospital or surgeon outcomes – building risk models is complex and models will never be perfect, as they are unable to deal with the very rare circumstances, but once they get to a certain level or predictive ability they can be very useful, as long as you know what you are doing when you interpret and use the results.



Dr. Richard Deed, TRUSTECH: Accelerating clinical research into clinical practice

The rising costs of health and social care and slow introduction of innovative solutions are a major frustration to policy-makers and care providers. The obstacles preventing rapid implementation of innovations nationwide include fragmented and slow decision-making; structures which do not assist collaboration and co-ordination; lengthy and uncertain routes to

As I spoke about this around the world, I slightly misquoted the eminent British statistician [George Box](#) – “*all models are wrong but some are useful*”. I have been increasingly interested in models of various types since then and my two-year sojourn into global tech was dominated by bedding my learning within various models, many of which I have blogged about.

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adoption; excellent initiatives in one locality that are not shared across systems; and a multiplicity of organisations and initiatives that industry finds confusing and adds to their risk.

Greater Manchester is facing significant public health challenges. A significant increase in over 65s and 85s is expected (20 per cent, and 30 per cent respectively between 2011 and 2021), against a backdrop of rising health and social care costs and a decreasing budget.

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Events



Greater Manchester Research and Innovation Assets

Masterclass event

26th July 2018 | 1.00pm - 4.00pm | Alderley Park Conference Centre



Greater Manchester Research and Innovation Assets 26 July

This event will explore Greater Manchester's footprint (including Cheshire East) research assets, the Greater Manchester Research Hub, the GM Universities, the national R&D facility for targeted medicines, diagnostics, and biomarkers and the NHS infrastructure available to support Research and Innovation in the region.

Information will be available as to the support Health Innovation Manchester, some NHS Trusts, Medicine Discovery Catapult and Universities within the Greater Manchester footprint can offer to businesses who are on the journey of developing products to the healthcare market.

This is also an opportunity for businesses across the region to meet and question senior staff from the NHS and Universities about our workplans. NHS advisors from Health Innovation Manchester will explain how to work, collaborate and develop products with the NHS more effectively.

Health Innovation Manchester can also offer Fully funded / Free Business Support to SMEs to help with the adoption of innovative products/services into the NHS.

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Greater Manchester SME Digital Event: Bringing SMEs into the public sector digital economy **23 July**

Greater Manchester Combined Authority invites SMEs in the digital sector and commissioners from across public services to an interactive information event that will provide examples of:

- How digital technology is helping achieve key public service outcomes
- How digital SMEs can best work with local public services
- How together we can build a better public digital ecosystem in Greater Manchester

Participants will be able to hear from peers and engage with partner agencies including Crown Commercial Service, Manchester Digital, GMCA and the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce.

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Courses



Course: Failure to learn
Friday 6 July

Click [here](#) for more information and booking.

Course: Key issues around 21st Century assessment and feedback
Wednesday 11 July

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Webinar: Life QI
Wednesday 11 July

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