**MAHSC & Health Innovation Manchester (HInM)**

**Mental Health Research Domain Award**

**Background**

Following our successful collaboration event in September 2022, the Manchester Academic Health Science Centre (MAHSC) Mental Health Research Domain, part of Health Innovation Manchester (HInM), are offering the opportunity to apply for awards to fund cross-discipline, multi-institution, research-led projects that have potential to generate clinical impact and patient benefit. The projects should focus on mental health and take into account the specific health needs of the Greater Manchester area, with a view to ongoing impact, publications, and securing further funding. Funding will be awarded up to £10,000 per project.

**Awards Available**

Projects may include, but are not limited to, studies to develop pilot data for external grant applications in mental health innovation; projects to develop new technologies or systems; projects to better understand mechanisms in mental health illness, to inform new innovations.

For guidance, the mental health domain operates under these five themes:

* Dementia
* Self-harm
* Physical health
* Digital
* Child and Adolescent Mental Health

**Grant Duration**

**1-year**

Awards may fund; staff salaries, project running costs, equipment essential to the study/project

**Guidance**

PI and team should be working in an established research institution or NHS in the GM Area

**Application Process**

* Applications must have the approval of the applicant’s Clinical theme lead. Any application involving the funding of time for a named researcher must also have the approval of the relevant line manager.
* Applications must consult, at the earliest opportunity, with their R&I departments, or research support managers, to get appropriate approvals and costings.
* Awards are available for one year. We envisage funding will be available from February 2023 and projects must start by 1st April 2023.

Applications should be made on the form on Pages 2-3 and be submitted by 3rd January 2023 to

MAHSC@healthinnovationmanchester.com, or peter.mellor@healthinnovationmanchester.com

* A decision will be shared with applicants by 20th January 2023

**Selection Process**

Selection of projects will be made by the Mental Health Domain Selection Committee using the following criteria:

* Quality of the proposal
* Potential for future external funding and future development of the work
* Potential for clinical impact and patient benefit
* Suitability to the MAHSC Mental Health Domain themes
* PPI/E inclusion

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**Application Form**

**Your details**

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| **Lead Applicant** |
| **Institution:** |
| **Contact details:** |
| **Co-applicants/Host Institution** |
| **Proposed duration for project** |
| **Project Costs (Please provide an itemised budget and a justification of how you will use it, including clear milestones at 6 months)** |
| **Name and contact of Clinical Director/Head of Research approval:**[ ] **I confirm I have received appropriate approvals and costings from my R&I department or research support manager** |

**Information on the grant application/project that the award will fund**

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| **Title of the grant application: (max 30 words)** |
| **Aims and objectives of project (250 words)** |
| **Summary of proposed research: (please include a project timeline and a GANTT chart/table as an appendix (750-1000 words)** |
| **Expected outcomes (250 words)** |
| **Potential Impact of this Work (250 words)** |
| **External Funding Plan (***this project should lead to submissions for external funding to continue this work).* |
| **Who are your collaborators?** |

Please return via email to MAHSC@healthinnovationmanchester.com,