



Research in Memory Services

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Top Level - Political support

"We want more people into clinical trials; more people getting that chance to get the very latest drugs. Our ambition is this: at least 10 per cent of people with dementia should be able to take part in clinical trials – up around ten times from today"

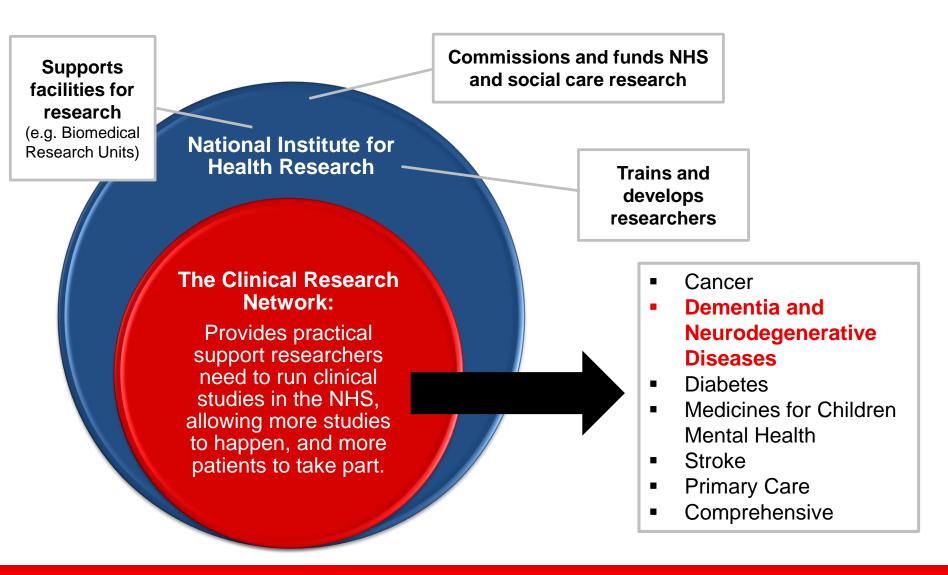
March 26 2012: Prime Minister's Challenge on Dementia: Delivering major improvements in dementia care and research by 2015

Drive improvements in health and care

Create dementia friendly communities

Better research

Where we fit in...



The local DeNDRoN community

Locally we provide researchers with the practical support they need to make clinical studies happen in the NHS, so that more research takes place across England and more patients can take part.

- Dementia
- Parkinson's Disease
- Huntington's Disease
- Motor Neurone Disease



Increasing patient participation in research

How we are doing it

- Recruiting participants into our studies quickly
- Public involvement
- Embedding research in clinical practice
 - 100% coverage across England (CLRN / DeNDRoN partnership)
 - 18 improvement projects to evaluate and compare different ways to embed research.
- Developing a nationally consistent system for patients to register their interest in research – Patient Registers
- Developing a network of 'research-ready' care homes.

Benefits of becoming research ready

- Directly and indirectly enhances the quality of life for patients
- Can lead to professional development opportunities for staff.
- Can provide additional income to your service
- Provides your home with the latest in medical advances and clinical practice.
- Support from DeNDRoN local research network in the delivery of studies
- Demonstrates your commitment to the Prime Minister's ambition "10% of patients into clinical research"

New MSNAP Research Standards

Standard 1.2.6N

The service provides people with dementia and their carers with information about opportunities to participate in local, national and international research, such as National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) portfolio studies

What does this mean in practice?

- generally promote NIHR research e.g. Literature distribution, display posters etc.
- actively support DeNDRoN to identify patients and carers that may be eligible to participate in studies e.g. receive study information and consider in terms of current patients and support recruitment
- allow DeNDRoN to appropriately promote studies to suitable participants
- join the DeNDRoN newsletter mailing list

How to meet this standard

- Contact your nearest DeNDRoN Local Research Network (LRN) for support.
- Become familiar with studies available and promote these to patients.
- Promote research through the literature and posters available
- Ask your patients if they would like to be involved in research and explain the benefits to them.

New MSNAP Research Standards

Standard 1.2.7N

The service ensures that all people with dementia and their carers are offered the opportunity to register their interest in participating in research.

How to meet the standard – 3 options

- 1. Contact with your nearest DeNDRoN LRN Office to be prioritised in local delivery plans. DeNDRoN will be able to provide an update on the approach being identified in your region.
- 2. DeNDRoN is currently developing a portal which would allow NHS patients to register themselves into a national register. Once complete it would be possible for Memory Services to sign-post / register patients directly into this register via a website. Details will become available through www.dendron.nihr.ac.uk
- 3. Memory Services could link with local researchers to develop local registers / lists, which suit their needs. DeNDRoN LRN Offices will be able to help you identify researchers, and options for delivery which meet national standards around Minimum Datasets and Information Governance.

Quality Indicators

Memory Services working with DeNDRoN can expect support to measure the number of patients coming on the register, allowing Memory Services to measure against this required indicator.

Indicator	Numerator	Denominator
The percentage of people with dementia who have registered their interest in participating in research over the past year	The number of people with dementia registering their interest in participating in research over the past year	All people with dementia who have had an appointment with the service in the past year

Further information

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