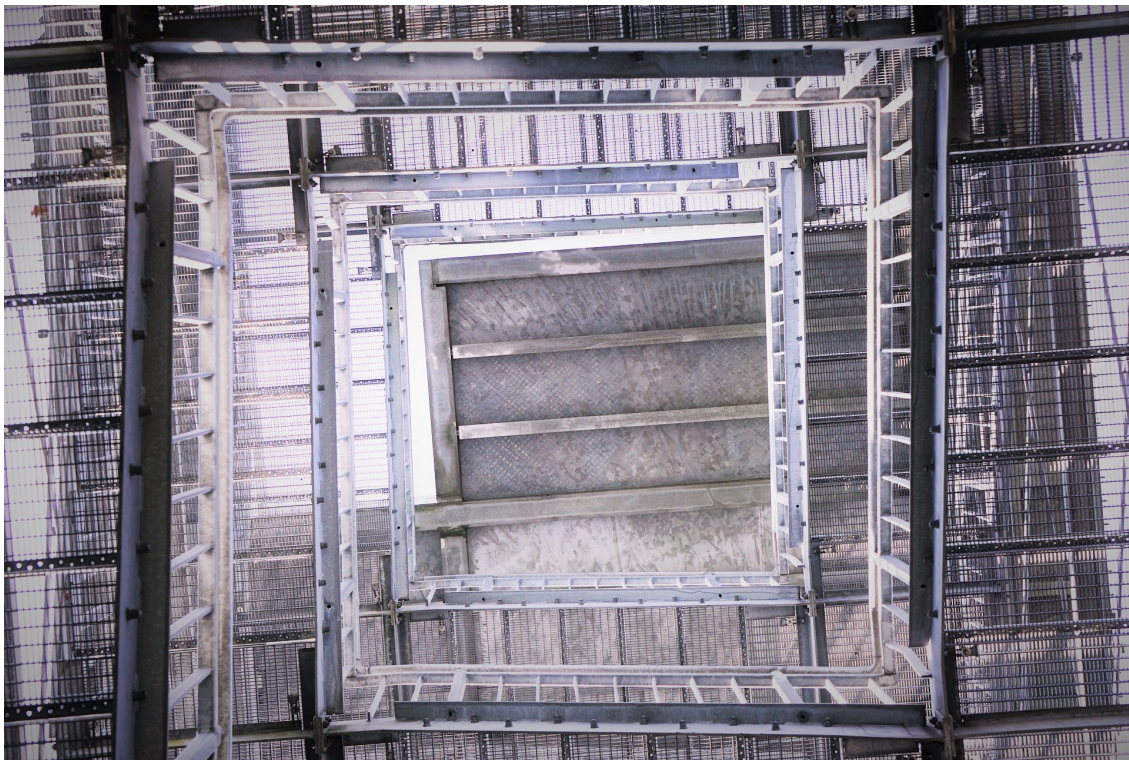


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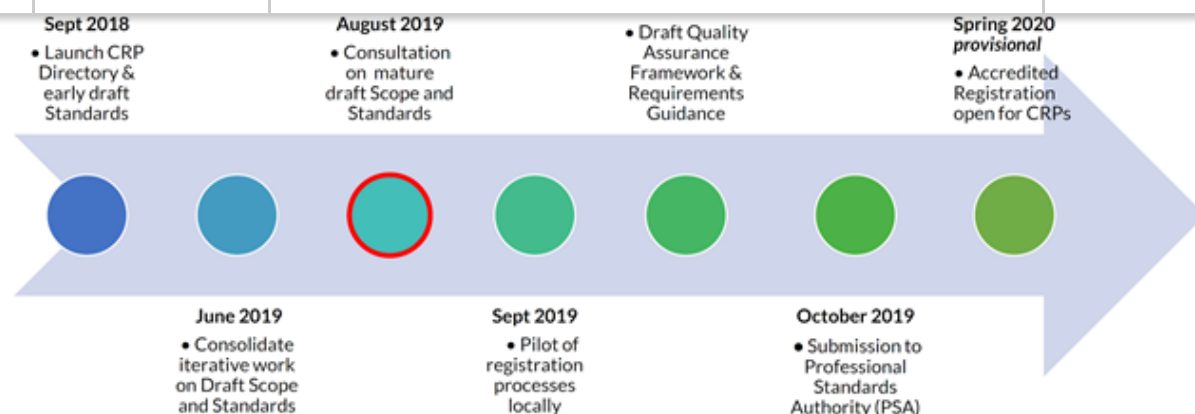
Building your Professional Identity

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Consultation. Draft Scope of Practice and Standards of Proficiency for CRPs

There are now over 500 CRPs listed on the CRP Directory, which is a fantastic achievement. Past, current and anticipated next stages in the work to implement accredited registration for CRPs are illustrated below and the current stage is highlighted red.



The Draft Scope of Practice for CRPs and Draft Standards of Proficiency for CRPs are now available for your review and feedback. The consultation documents have been developed with input from a range of key stakeholders, including many CRPs listed on the CRP Directory, other health and care professionals, senior managers and leaders.

Your response to this consultation will help to shape the introduction of accredited registration for CRPs. The consultation closes on 27 September 2019.

Respond now: Tell us what you think!

Involving CRPs in the wider workforce

At the same time we will expand distribution of a survey adapted from the one circulated previously to the CRP Directory community - thank you again to more than 200 of you who responded last time. We've noted that almost half of you have been working in Clinical Research for more than 5 years and that almost 70% of you are in a secondary care setting. Unique CRP qualities

The new survey will cover the same questions and include reference to your employing organisation to help us fully understand the broader picture of experience, training and education. Therefore, responses from you and all of your colleagues across the CRP workforce are needed. This will allow us to develop appropriate support for CRPs as a learning community and reach all CRPs interested in their own professional development.



Janice Paterson, Delivery Lead and Workforce Intelligence Manager at NIHR CRNCC

A frequent question about the CRP Registration initiative is how will CRPs demonstrate that they meet the requirements of the register? On 13th August 2019 at CRN: South London, CRPs and CRN Workforce Development Lead, Nhlanhla Mguni, worked together with leads for the initiative from AHCS and NIHR to look at this.

The group considered types and sources of evidence for five key areas of experience, including working across professional and organisational boundaries, professional accountability, leadership in your profession and understanding the limitations of your role. Participants were quickly able to offer examples of how individuals could evidence that they meet the standards. One of these related to setting up an agreement with a local hospital so that patients didn't have to travel long distances, which demonstrates effective working across boundaries and also evidences leadership for improvement and innovation.

The group felt that registration and professionalisation of CRPs will help clarify role boundaries for themselves and others in the team, prevent pressure on some CRPs to undertake inappropriate tasks and permit access to the same statutory and mandatory training available to other research delivery professionals.

THANK YOU



A big thank you to Nhlanhla and her team for a very productive afternoon



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Question. Should I renew my subscription to the CRP Directory?

Put simply: Yes!

Almost a year in the making, the CRP Directory has grown to a community of over 500 and continues to expand. CRPs are more connected with colleagues than ever

real networks for you and your colleagues to talk with one another. We have plans to create community spaces exclusively for CRPs listed on the CRP Directory. These are being created within NIHR Learn to help you connect, share best practice and grow your networks to better develop as CRPs.

To begin, and if you are happy to share, please tell us your CRP Story in a short Q & A for others to read when this resource becomes available.

CRP Profile Q&A Form

For those of you that don't know, [NIHR Learn](#) is a source of free, quality-assured learning accessed by over 40,000 learners across the NHS and partner organisations every year, managed by the NIHR CRNCC in support of the CRN Workforce Development Strategy. You may have accessed the resource to complete online training in Good Clinical Practice (GCP).

By remaining on the CRP Directory, you will continue to receive direct messaging from our teams, informing you of these developments and how to access our resources.

Look out: Notifications to renew, coming soon!

The CRP Directory renewal period starts on 1 October 2019. The annual subscription fee of £10 will be deducted from your registration fee should you proceed with an application once the register is officially up and running. Your fee for registration for the first year would then be £20 instead of £30.

Around the regions

Our colleagues in CRN: North East and North Cumbria (NENC) have appointed CRP Champions to act as ambassadors within their network to help boost the visibility of CRPs within partner organisations across the region. Abigail Harrison, one of the new champions, says: "The behind-the-scenes work carried out by CRPs is vital but may not always be known. I work with knowledgeable and skilled practitioners from a range of backgrounds and it's important they're recognised. I believe the CRP Champion project will help do this."

Meet the NENC CRP Champions

Are you a CRP in the Eastern region? If you are interested in networking with other CRPs in your region, keeping up to date with events and more then please e-mail crp.crneastern@nihr.ac.uk to be added to the regional mailing list.

Follow @NIHRCommunity

The NIHR's twitter handles have changed. **@NIHRCRN is no more!**

For the latest research delivery workforce updates >>> **follow** [@NIHR Community](#).

Why not try using these hashtags to make your tweets more visible?

#CRPractitioner
#whywedoresearch
#bepartofresearch

Also, include your organisation hashtags to share your work with your colleagues and further increase your visibility.

Share to support our 1000 CRPs campaign

Not signed up? Apply to join the Directory

Individuals and organisations who want to know more can go to bit.ly/CRPdirectory.

There are more than 100 applications open but not completed on CRP Directory. If you know someone who is having problems with this and wants to continue through to being listed, please ask them to get in touch with Carolyn or Carly. Thank you.

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