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Piloting UK Standards for Public Involvement in Research:

The Northern Ireland Cerebral Palsy Register 'test-bed' experience

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Cerebral Palsy is a wide-ranging condition



Jason Smyth ✓

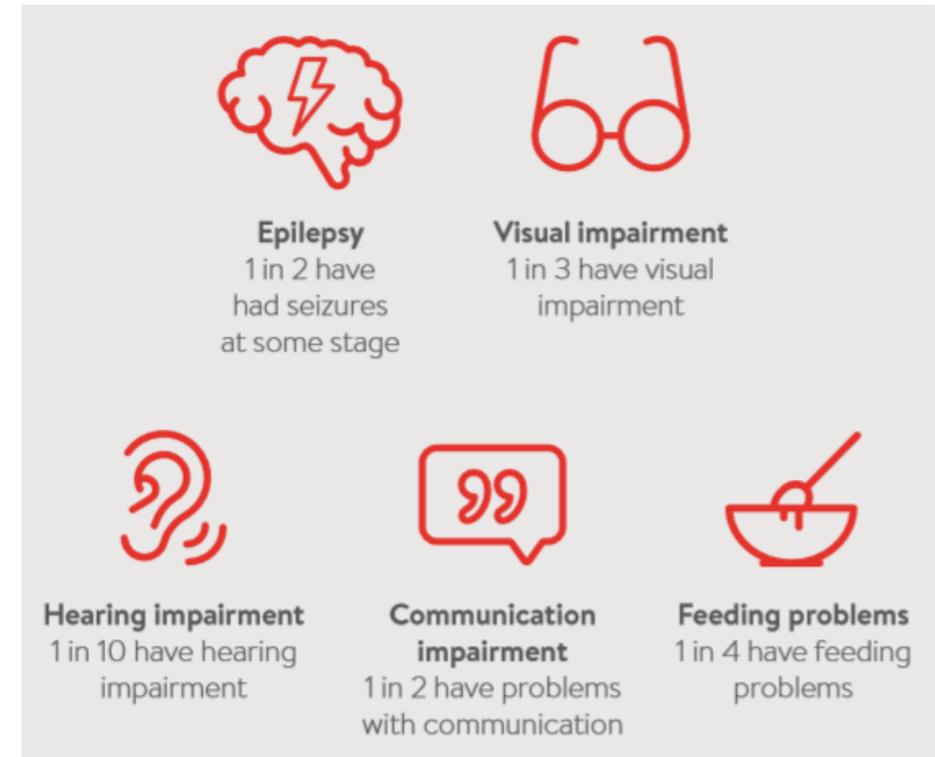
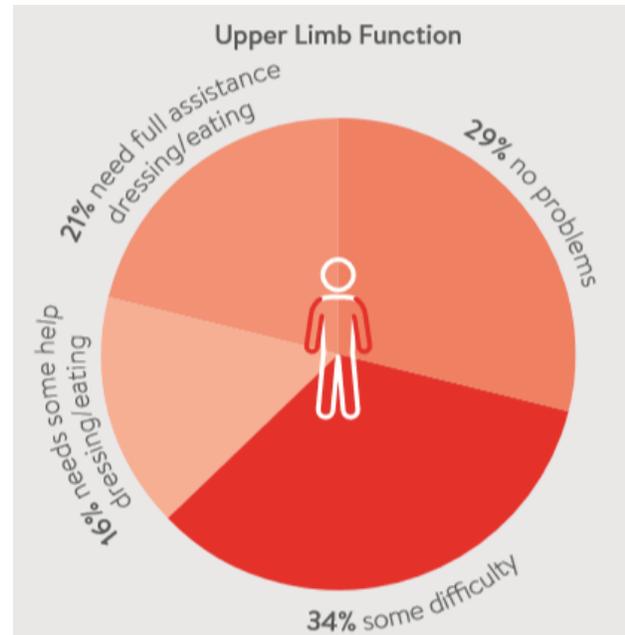
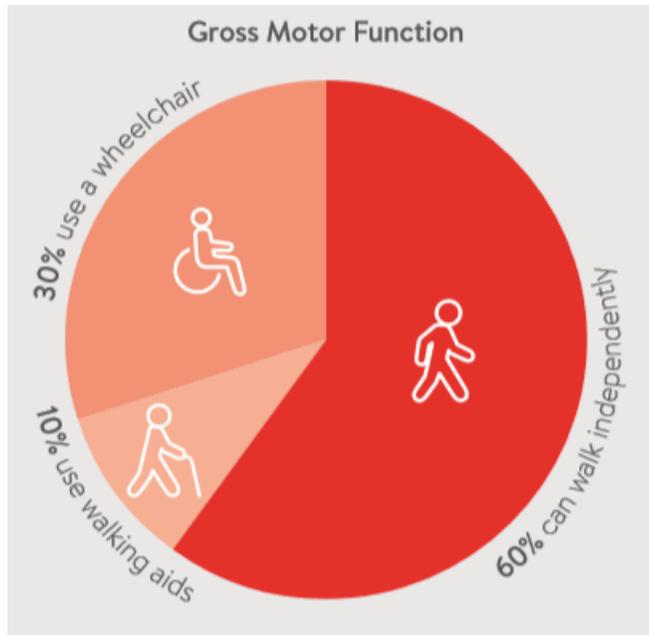
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Cerebral Palsy in Northern Ireland

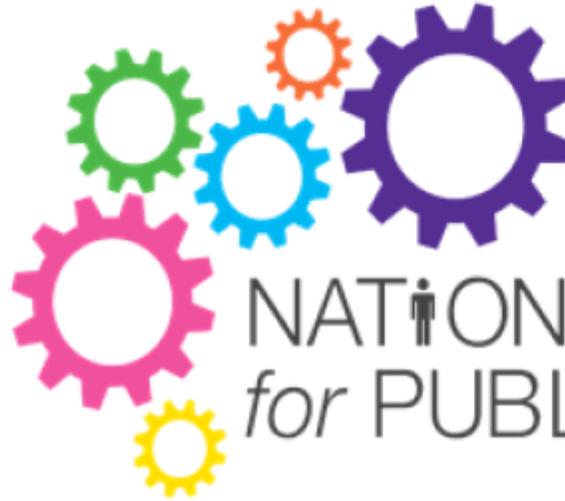
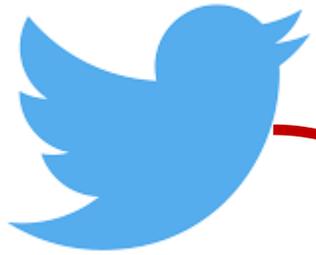
Approximately 55 children are born with CP each year in NI



Public Involvement (PI) in NICPR

- Parent and patient membership of the Northern Ireland Cerebral Palsy Register (NICPR) Advisory Committee
- Annual report
- Family conference/study days
- But how to **EMBED** public involvement day-to-day?

February 2018



NATIONAL STANDARDS
for PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Would you be interested in testing out the public involvement standards?

We are looking for people, groups, teams and organisations that want to get involved in:

- Putting the standards to practical use in their own working environment
- Sharing what they learn

What are the Public Involvement (PI) Standards?



The Standards are a set of statements that describe what good public involvement in research looks like.

Together they provide a framework for improving the quality and consistency of public involvement in research.

Standard 1

Inclusive opportunities - we provide clear, meaningful and accessible opportunities for involvement, for a wide range of people across all research.



Standard 4

Communications - we provide clear and regular communications as part of all involvement plans and activities.



Standard 2

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Standard 5

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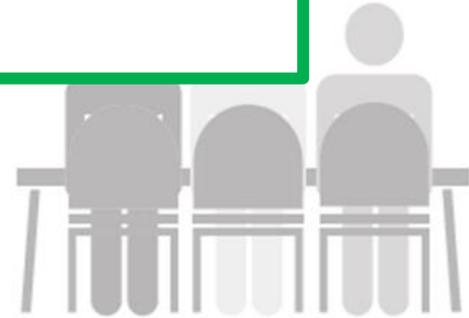
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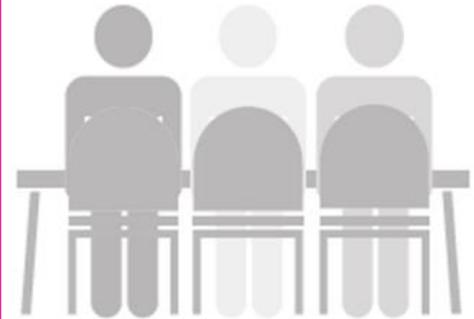


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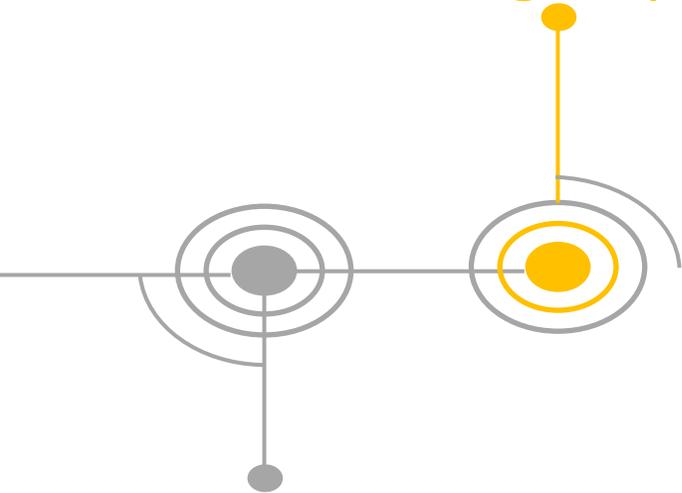
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- NICPR named as one of ten 'test-beds' to work with NIHR on piloting the UK PI Standards
- Variation in locations, size, conditions and affiliations
- Supported by workshops, teleconferences & shared resources



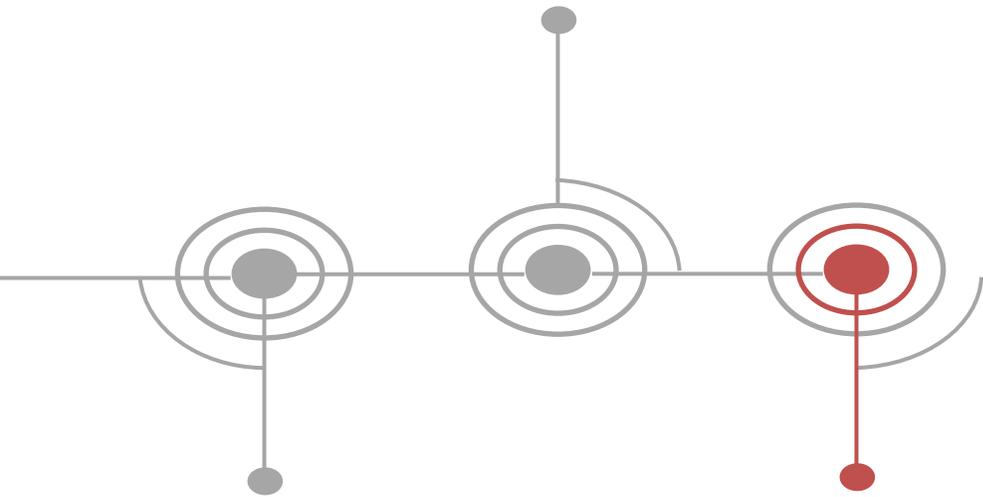
May 2018

Local meeting to
plan set up of
dedicated
PI group



April 2018

First NIHR
workshop
(London)



July-Aug 2018 Launched & promoted Community Mailing List



NICPR

Please subscribe to the Northern Ireland Cerebral Palsy Register (NICPR) community mailing list by completing the form below. By subscribing you will receive emails about NICPR news, events, research and how you can get involved with our work. We look forward to hearing from you and working together to make sure cerebral palsy (CP) research is relevant and useful to those who need it. Thank you!

Please note personal details will be held by MailChimp and not passed on to any third parties.

Email Address

First Name

Surname

Cerebral Palsy Community Mailing List

The Northern Ireland Cerebral Palsy Register (NICPR) invites you to join a community mailing list for persons with cerebral palsy, their families, friends and carers. We will use this mailing list to email NICPR news, events, research and ways to become involved with our work.



If you would like to subscribe please visit following link: <http://eepurl.com/ds-Hj> or scan the QR code.

If you change your mind you can unsubscribe at any time.

The NICPR is managed by researchers at Queen's University Belfast in collaboration with the Public Health Agency. For more information on the NICPR please visit our website: qub.ac.uk/NICPR

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact us by email at nicpr@qub.ac.uk or telephone 028 9097 1616.

2 in 5
Children with CP are born prematurely.

3 in 5
Children with CP are born at normal birthweight (2,500g or more).

Spina Brain Function



Hearing impairment
1 in 10 have hearing impairment.

Communication impairment
1 in 2 have problems with communication.

Feeding problems
1 in 4 have feeding problems.

Aims of the NICPR:

- to establish a systematic approach to the surveillance of CP among children in NI
- to support research and audits into the condition, covering causes, treatment, assessment and health and social care service provision.



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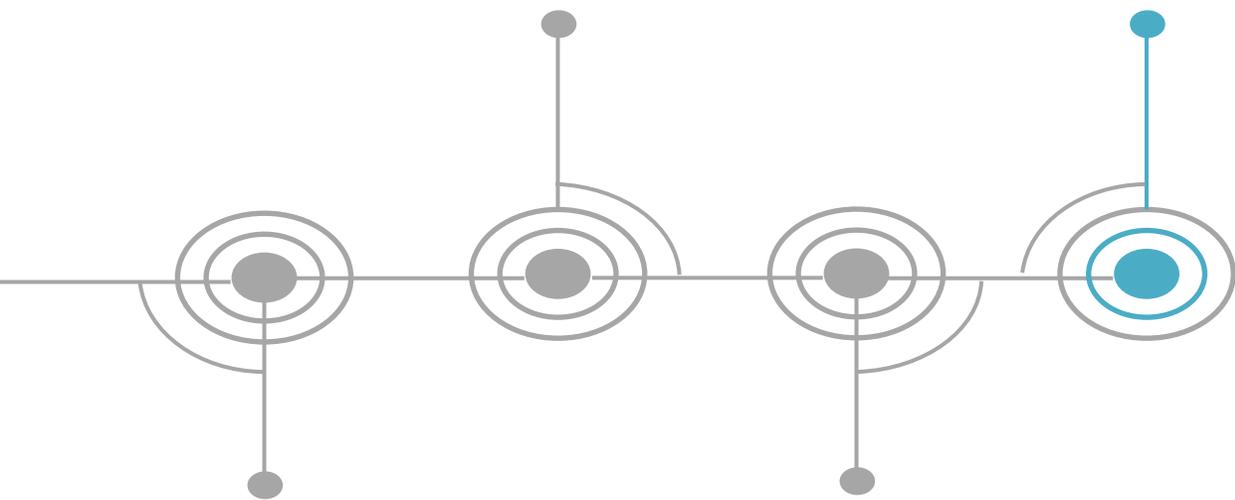
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Sept-Nov 2018

PI video;
planning &
hosting first PI
event



Considerations

Location and Access

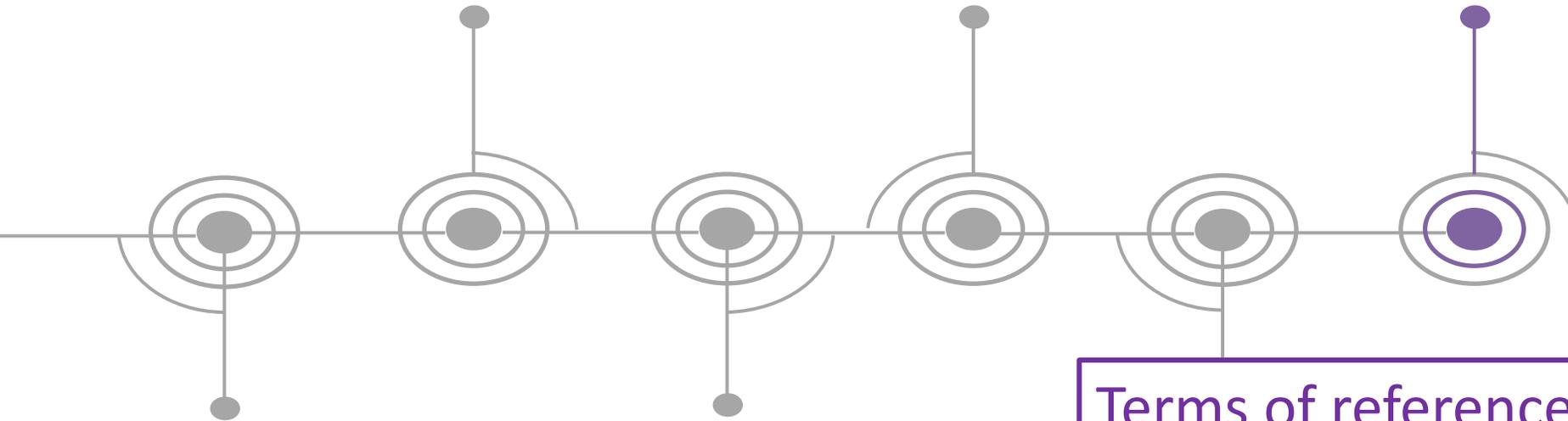
Dietary requirements

Communication requirements

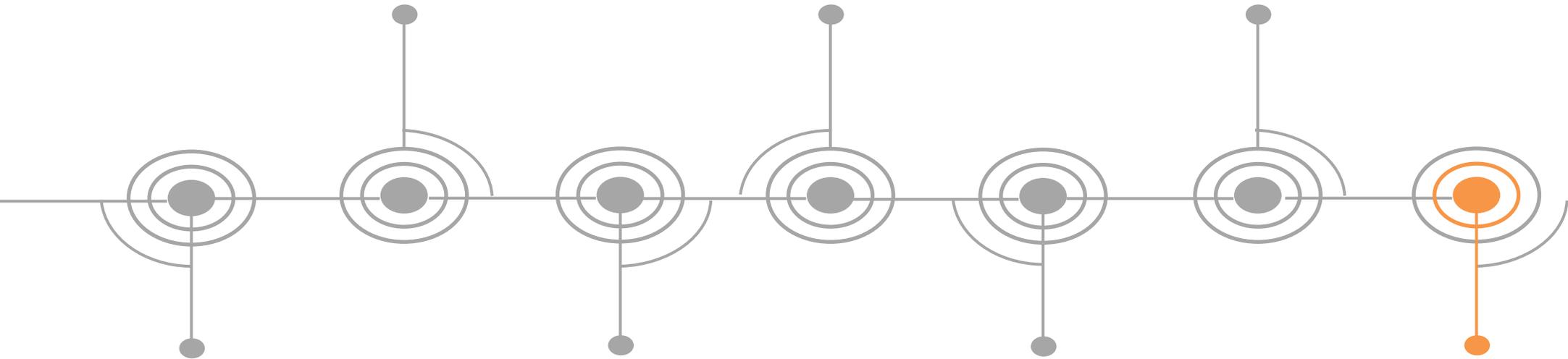
Childcare

Attendance numbers (32/16/6)

Jan 2019
1st PI group
meeting

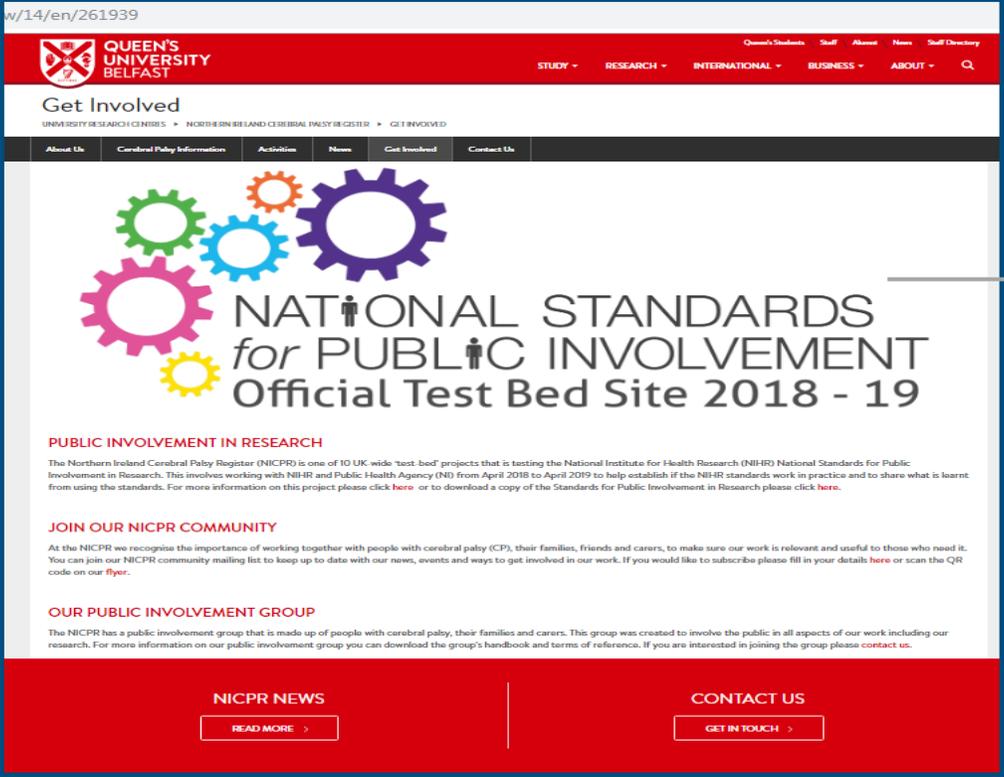


Terms of reference of group
Scope of activities
Training needs



April 2019
PI group training

May 2019
2nd PI group meeting;
PI webpage;
Final NIHR workshop



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PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN RESEARCH

The Northern Ireland Cerebral Palsy Register (NICPR) is one of 10 UK-wide 'test-bed' projects that is testing the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) National Standards for Public Involvement in Research. This involves working with NIHR and Public Health Agency (PHA) from April 2018 to April 2019 to help establish if the NIHR standards work in practice and to share what is learnt from using the standards. For more information on this project please click [here](#) or to download a copy of the Standards for Public Involvement in Research please click [here](#).

JOIN OUR NICPR COMMUNITY

At the NICPR we recognise the importance of working together with people with cerebral palsy (CP), their families, friends and carers, to make sure our work is relevant and useful to those who need it. You can join our NICPR community mailing list to keep up to date with our news, events and ways to get involved in our work. If you would like to subscribe please fill in your details [here](#) or scan the QR code on our flyer.

OUR PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT GROUP

The NICPR has a public involvement group that is made up of people with cerebral palsy, their families and carers. This group was created to involve the public in all aspects of our work including our research. For more information on our public involvement group you can download the group's handbook and terms of reference. If you are interested in joining the group please [contact us](#).

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Progress on our original aims

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WORK IN PROGRESS

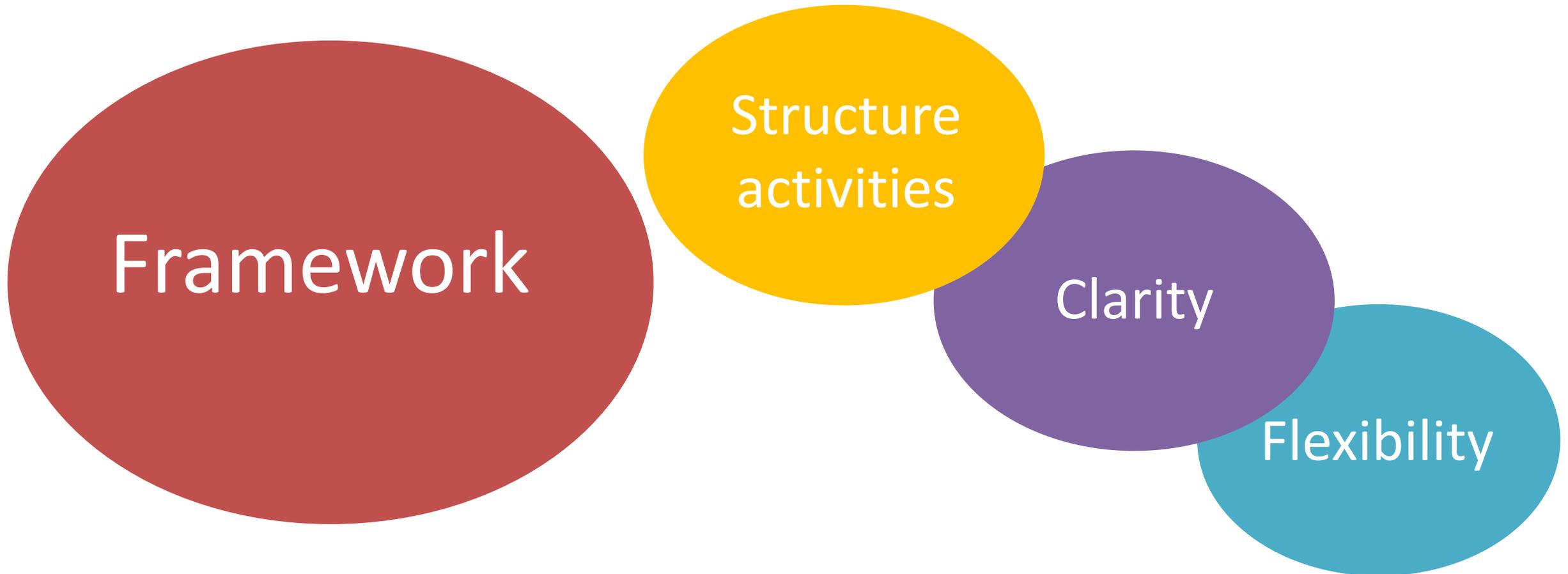
IMPACT

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Reflections on piloting the PI Standards and lessons learned...

What was been the **greatest benefit** of implementing the Standards in your project/organisation/network?



What was the **greatest challenge?**

Resources

Overwhelming

Over-complicated

How to measure
impact?

Some last thoughts from Helen on her PPI experiences to date...

“Shared my personal journey”

“Encouraged others with CP, and their families, to engage with public involvement that will result in high quality research to improve the lives of people with CP”

“benefitted me personally as I have gained confidence with public speaking, meeting new people and getting involved with new projects that will make a difference to people’s lives now and in the future”

“Advocated for others with CP”

Thank you

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