

Personal and Public Involvement (PPI) Training Needs of Health and Social Care Researchers

Survey results



In June 2025, HSC R&D Division issued a survey to identify the PPI training and support needs of researchers in Northern Ireland.



Number of respondents

83

A wide range of academic and Health and Social Care professionals across a range of disciplines responded.

Preferred Training Format



Shorter PPI training sessions (1 – 2 hours/half-day session) that include a PPI contributor and are either online or in-person.



Training and Support Needs



The main training content suggestions were:

- Practical steps to involve PPI contributors
- Evaluating the impact of PPI
- Identifying and engaging with PPI contributors
- How to plan and cost PPI in grant proposals

Support needs included:

- Ongoing PPI support after training (e.g. shared PPI learning group)
- Case study examples on how involvement can work well in different research scenarios



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For further information on current PPI training see: <https://research.hscni.net/personal-and-public-involvement-training>