

Response from AIL Ireland Institute for Hospice and Palliative Care

Our feedback is as follows:

1. We welcome consideration and review of infrastructure –whilst investment has been made this way in the past, a review of effectiveness of some of the networks is required and timely. From AIIHPC's perspective the move towards networks is of benefit and does develop collaboration but they do require some human support (e.g. Postdoctoral or similarly qualified)
2. We welcome the priority re EU funding but researchers need support to attract this funding – therefore investment is needed in supporting and linking people and bringing two academic institutions more closely together (NI)
3. Longer term objectives re service user involvement is also welcomed and a key aspect that AIIHPC has been leading on.
4. Importance of building research capacity and also consideration given to supporting clinical colleagues –importance of clinical academic pathways. Need to maintain focus on overall research pathway -PhD and post docs
5. Welcome the promotion of North/South partnerships and AIIHPC ideally placed to enable this and for the delivery of joint funding initiatives.