

# Research priority setting in health services research

#### PenCLAHRC

(Peninsula Collaboration for Leadership in Applied Health Research and Care)



## Objective

To share PenCLAHRCs experience of priority setting

Whear, R., Thompson-Coon, J., Boddy, K., Papworth, H., Frier, J. And Stein, K. Establishing local priorities for a health research agenda. (under review) Health Expectations.

- How PenCLAHRC began
- Who is involved
- Describe the process
- Successes and challenges
- Questions/discussion afterwards

### What is PenCLAHRC?



Report of the High Level Group on Clinical Effectiveness

Chaired by Professor Sir John Tooke

A report to Sir Liam Donaldson Chief Medical Officer

#### <u>Aims</u>

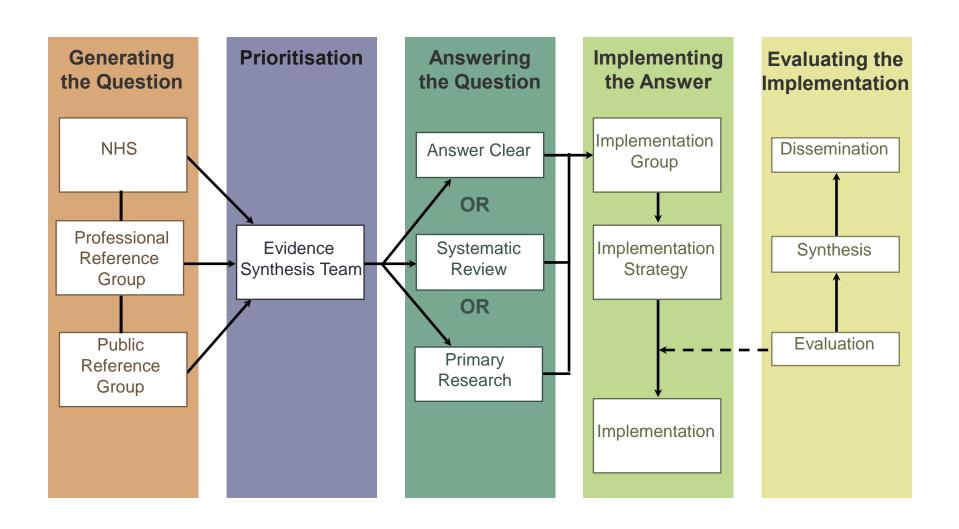
 To further embed partnership between the NHS and academia

 To promote engagement and involvement from clinicians and service users

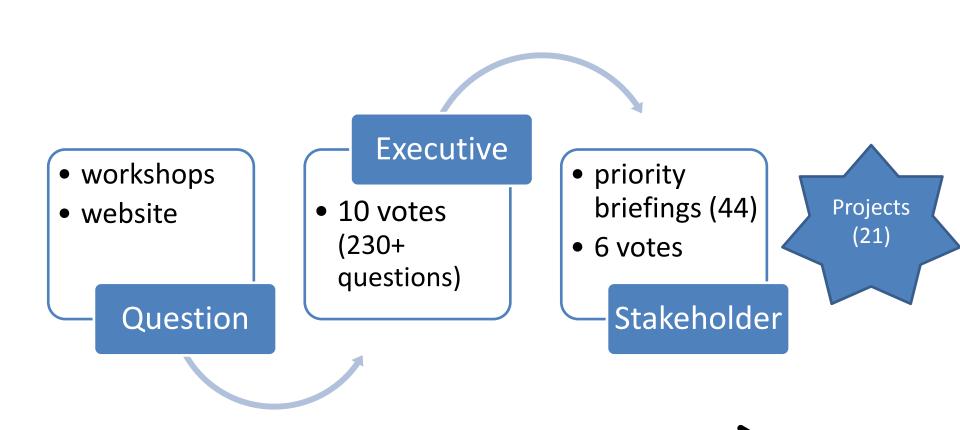
### Who?

- Medical School
- Two universities (Plymouth and Exeter)
- 5 acute hospitals (North Devon HT, Plymouth Hospitals Trust, Royal Cornwall Hospital Trust, South Devon HFT, Royal Devon and Exeter HFT)
- 4 primary care trusts (NHS Southwest, Devon, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly, and Plymouth)
- 3 mental health providers (Cornwall Partnership Foundation Trust, Devon Partnership NHS Trust, Torbay Care Trust)
- South West Ambulance Service NHS FT

### How does it work?



#### **Process**



9 months from question submission to Stakeholder decision

#### Prioritisation criteria

- The size of the health problem
- The potential for health improvement
- The feasibility of the question
- Whether the south west is a good place to do the research
- Alignment with priorities set by the NHS

#### Successes

- Stakeholder agreement
- Collaboration
- Outputs grant funding
  - publications
  - primary research
  - training
- Engagement

## Challenges

Geography

Initial clinician engagement

Technical difficulties with the webtool

Detailed feedback

Peninsula
Collaboration for
Health Operational
Research and
Dissemination
(PenCHORD)

Health Technology Commissioning Group

Other opportunities

Other systems in PenCLAHRC

### Round-up

- Some success in engaging a wide variety of stakeholders
- Collaboration on projects has been good
- Priority setting method seems acceptable



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http://clahrc-peninsula.nihr.ac.uk/

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