



**CMHP**  
College of Mental Health Pharmacy

**Pharmacy Research UK**

## CMHP-PRUK Research Award Frequently Asked Questions

1. Who can apply for this research award?

Answer: each application needs to have a lead applicant who is registered with a professional regulatory body for pharmacy in their home nation (e.g. the General Pharmaceutical Council), AND who is a full or associate member of CMHP at the time of applying.

2. Can the award be used to fund my PhD?

Answer: We ask that the research is carried out should be completed within 12 to 20 months funding, therefore this is unlikely to cover the duration of a full PhD research study. However, if applicants want to consider the CMHP-PRUK research award funding to support an aspect or component of a wider piece of research, then this can be considered.

3. I am currently not a credentialed CMHP member – am I eligible to apply for this research award?

Answer: Yes, you will still be considered, as both full or associate CMHP members are eligible.

4. When should I expect to hear back about my application after the closing date/submission deadline?

Answer: a shortlisting decision will be made by the review panel in prior to the outcomes letters being sent to applicants by the end of July 2022.

5. If my research proposal requires ethics approval, who and how should this be carried out?

Answer: It would be expected to gain ethics approval prior to your application where possible or at least prior to commencement of your research, given the time it often takes to gain approval. If you wait until your research timeframe has started, it might delay your research progress.

6. Is there an extension to the application closing date if I miss it?

Answer: Applications received after the closing date cannot be considered. For the 2022 application process, the deadline is 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

7. Would there ever be a need to re-submit an application?

Answer: Yes – if a application was received and a panel member felt that any section of the application form were lacking or required additional information, then the applicant would receive feedback and given the opportunity to take on board this constructive feedback and re-submit the application.

8. Is there anyone I can speak to gain advice about my research application and its content?

Answer: Yes, this is something we would strongly encourage – that you have gained the advice, feedback and support from others for your application.

Other places for advice and support include:

- RPS 1:1 Research Support Sessions  
<https://www.rpharms.com/development/research-and-evaluation/research-guidance-and-support>
- RPS Research and Evaluation Guidance -  
<https://www.rpharms.com/resources/pharmacy-guides/research-and-evaluation-guide>
- NIHR Research Design Service (RDS) –  
<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/explore-nihr/support/research-design-service.htm>
- Network with experts in your area