



## National HSCP Office Opportunity for HSCP Research Funding

The National HSCP Office has agreed to providing seed funding on a once off basis which will be awarded for one research project with funding up to €20,000 and two or three smaller projects to enable and encourage HSCP to undertake research activity. For example, the project may be a preparatory study for a larger research project or support collaborative research in its early stages. It is our hope that funding these demonstrator projects would enable HSCP in their journey to seek and secure funding for taking the next steps in research.

### Key selection criteria

Consideration and preference will be given to research projects that are interdisciplinary or promote interdisciplinary working.

### Selection criteria

- Promotes high quality HSCP research, especially practice based research
- Demonstrates impact and outcomes of HSCP in addressing key challenges facing the healthcare system
- Aligns with the *HSCP Deliver, A Strategic Guidance Framework for Health and Social Care Professions* (HSE, 2021) co-created by the National HSCP Office in partnership with HSCP and service users.
- Supports delivery of *Slaintecare*.
- Represents value for money.

### Examples of themes for research projects that may be considered:

A.	<b>Population health approach with HSCP focus on prevention and proactive care</b>
B.	<b>Reshaping care</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• developing integrated, person-centred seamless care,</li><li>• care delivered as close to home as possible &amp; at the lowest level of complexity needed</li><li>• engagement with patients/service users, co-design, co-production</li></ul>
C.	<b>Driving quality improvement, delivering sustainable quality and safety</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Best evidence based practice</li><li>• Quality improvement methodology</li><li>• Innovation to improve experience &amp;/or outcomes for patients/service user &amp; /or service</li><li>• Demonstrates extended scope and/or advanced practice</li><li>• Modernise and maximise resources (facilitates effective, efficient care)</li><li>• Transferable</li></ul>
D.	<b>Demonstrating professional leadership</b>
E.	<b>Strengthening interdisciplinary working</b>
F.	<b>Innovating and transforming eHealth solutions</b>
G.	<b>Supporting HSCP workforce engagement and development as appropriate</b>
H.	<b>Enhancing clinical and academic partnership</b>



## Date for receipt of Applications

Applications will be accepted from eligible HSCP<sup>1</sup> working in publicly funded health services (see application form for more details). The application process will open on **25<sup>th</sup> September 2023** and close on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2023**. The winner(s) will be contacted by 24<sup>th</sup> of November 2023.

## Useful resources

- HSE Research and Development <https://hseresearch.ie/>
- Research Resources Repository for HSCP developed by HSCP Research Group member, Laura Healy, Clinical Specialist Dietitian in St James Hospital. See HSCP Hub on HSELand.ie
- HRB <https://www.hrb.ie/>

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<sup>1</sup> Health and Social Care Professions currently under the remit of the National HSCP Office are: Audiology, Clinical biochemistry, Clinical Engineering, Clinical Measurement (includes 5 disciplines cardiac, GI, neurophysiology, respiratory & vascular), Counsellors/ Therapists, Dietetics, Medical Physics, Medical Scientist, Occupational Therapy, Orthoptics, Perfusionists, Phlebotomy, Physiotherapy, Play Therapy, Podiatry, Psychology, Radiation Therapy, Radiography, Social Care Work, Social Work, Speech & Language Therapy