

Public Involvement & Community Engagement (PICE) Induction Pack

- Introduction to the ARC (Applied Research Collaboration), North East and North Cumbria (NENC)
 - [Plain Language Summary](#)
 - [Home - ARC \(nihr.ac.uk\)](#)

- What is Public Involvement & Community Engagement?
 - The role and activities involved in health and care research are described here: [Public Involvement and Community Engagement - ARC \(nihr.ac.uk\)](#)
 - The PICE Strategy for the ARC NENC: [Our Public Involvement & Community Engagement Strategy - ARC \(nihr.ac.uk\)](#)
 - The PICE Strategy is built on the UK Standards for Public Involvement: [UK Standards for Public Involvement \(google.com\)](#)
 - NIHR Guidance on Public Involvement: [PPI \(Patient and Public Involvement\) resources for applicants to NIHR research programmes | NIHR](#)

- Roles/activities
 - Public contributors are members of the public who get involved in research. Activities might include:
 - Identifying research topics and questions of importance to members of the public, patients and service users
 - Acting as applicants alongside researchers on funding grants
 - Offering advice and feedback as a member of a project's steering group/research team
 - Reviewing documents
 - Helping to develop materials such as information sheets, interview guides or questionnaires
 - Carrying out interviews/taking part in focus groups with research participants
 - Analysing data
 - Writing up research findings
 - Helping to share research findings and get research evidence into practice.

- Co-delivering training, seminars, workshops or attending conferences
 - Co-authoring papers, articles or reports
 - Writing blogs or content for ARC website & social media
 - Representation at a governance level across the ARC (Stakeholder Board, Executive Board, Implementation Advisory Group, EDI Group etc.)
- **Training, learning and development opportunities**
 - E-Bulletin – Circulated weekly this bulletin contains news, opportunities to engage in new areas of research, events, training, tools & resources.
 - The ARC NENC has a Virtual College which provides information about training and learning opportunities: [Introducing our new Virtual College Training Hub - ARC \(nhr.ac.uk\)](#)
 - There are a number of free online training resources available: [Homepage - Learning for Involvement](#)
- **Support/Networks**
 - Public Advisory Network – This group includes individual members of the public, service users, carers, experts by experience and voluntary/community sector groups. It meets quarterly, either online or as a hybrid online/face to face meeting. Meetings are chaired by a member of the Network. For further information please contact: felicity.shenton@cntw.nhs.uk
 - [Public Advisory Network Registration Form](#)
 - Young Public Advisory Network – A group of young people who meet regularly both online & in person to discuss opportunities to engage in health and social care research. For further information please contact: felicity.shenton@cntw.nhs.uk
 - [Young Public Advisory Network Registration Form](#)
 - PICE Special Interest Group – Meets online on the last Thursday of the month. Each session will focus on a different theme, area of interest related to public involvement & community engagement. For further information please contact: felicity.shenton@cntw.nhs.uk
 - Mental Health Special Interest Group – a group of researchers, public contributors, practitioners, clinicians and VCSE organisations with an

interest in mental health. For further information please contact:
arcnenc@cntw.nhs.uk

- Deaf/British Sign Language (BSL) Experts by Experience Group – a group that includes D/deaf people, people who use BSL, practitioners and VCSE organisations. For further information please contact: emmanuel.chan@nhs.net OR felicity.shenton@cntw.nhs.uk
- Developing PICE In Care Homes - For further information please contact: felicity.shenton@cntw.nhs.uk
- **Remuneration**
 - [ARC Remuneration Policy 2023](#)
 - [Payment guidance for researchers and professionals | NIHR](#)

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