Westminster Health Forum policy conference: Next steps for clinical trials and research in the UK

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 11th March 2025

Taking place online

Draft agenda subject to change

8.30 Registration

9.00 Chair's opening remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

9.05 The current clinical research landscape and opportunities for growth

Professor Andrew Ustianowski, Interim National Executive Director, RDN National Coordinating Centre, NIHR Research Delivery Network

Questions and comments from the floor

9.30 <u>Increasing public involvement and trust in research trials</u>

Senior speaker confirmed from Health Research Authority

9.45 Priorities for streamlining clinical trials delivery and broadening options for participation

developing new clinical trials hubs | priorities for regulation to support innovation | building clinical trials infrastructure | implementation of decentralised clinical trials | improving transparency and accessibility | priorities for workforce recruitment and retention | flexible sample sizes and treatment doses | identifying and catering to varying patient needs

Dr Catriona Manville, Director, Research Policy, Association of Medical Research Charities

Dr David Strain, Chair, Board of Science, and Academic Staff Committee, British Medical Association; and Parliamentary Thematic Research Lead, Health, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology

Professor Michael B Cook, Executive Director, Science, Our Future Health

Senior representative, pharma Senior representative, research

10.15 Questions and comments from the floor

10.35 The role of regulatory reform in encouraging innovation

Dr Kingyin Lee, Head, Clinical Trials, Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency Questions and comments from the floor

11.00 Chair's closing remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

11.05 Break

11.15 Chair's opening remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

11.20 Priorities for the effective use of collaborative frameworks and research in the NHS

Senior representative, NHS Senior representative, research

11.40 Next steps for innovation in the delivery of clinical trials

opportunities for harnessing AI and developing technologies | next steps for data-sharing between bodies | improving use of metrics | removing obstacles to innovation whilst maintaining patient safety | furthering the UK as an attractive destination for clinical research | developing ethical best practice for innovative trial delivery | the role of digitalisation in improving access

Senior representative, innovation Senior representative, international

Senior academic

Senior representative, clinical staff

12.10 Questions and comments from the floor

12.30 Policy priorities and the long-term plan for clinical research in the UK

Senior representative, policy

Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 Chair's and Westminster Health Forum closing remarks

Senior Parliamentarian

Jessica Lear, Westminster Health Forum

