



## Research & Development Approval Guidelines to the application process

All research activity must be registered with the Research & Development Office and approved by the R&D Internal Review Panel. Conducting research in the absence of R&D approval is in breach of Good Clinical Practice.

The R&D approval process is co-ordinated on an All Wales basis by Health and Care Research Wales Permission Co-ordinating Unit (PCU).

R&D approval is granted by the Internal Review Panel across Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board.


The application form for R&D approval can be found on the Integrated Research Application System (IRAS) website at <https://www.myresearchproject.org.uk> - the web based integrated application system through which you can apply for all permissions needed for research in the UK.

### **Integrated Research Application System (IRAS)**

- ) Is a single system for applying for permissions and approvals for health and social care / community care research in the UK.
- ) Enables you to enter the information about your project once instead of duplicating information in separate application forms.
- ) Uses filters to ensure the data collected and collated is appropriate to the type of study, and consequently the permissions and approvals required.
- ) Helps you meet regulatory and governance requirements.
- ) Retains familiar aspects of the online ethics application system.

IRAS captures the information required for the relevant approvals from the following review bodies:

- ) NRES / NHS / HSC Research Ethics Committees
- ) NHS / HSC Research and Development offices
- ) Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA)
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Submissions should include (*bold are mandatory documents – without them an application cannot be accepted*):

1. **The Checklist** – this is generated in IRAS from the Checklist tab, all documents included in the submission need to be listed on this form.
2. **Signed**



Validation of an application shall be undertaken within five days of receipt of the application and the Chief Investigator shall be notified of a valid or an invalid application.

Once a complete application is received by PCU, they will notify the relevant NHS Organisation

## **We are here to help**

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