

Terms and Conditions of UK DCTN Themed Call Award

The aim of the UK DCTN Themed Call Award is to help facilitate study teams working in strategic areas to overcome hurdles that may be impeding the development of clinical trials research in that area. The work conducted should be pilot/feasibility work or other developmental work (such as a Priority Setting Partnership, outcome measures related work) that will eventually help with the development of a full scale randomised controlled clinical trial in that area.

1. This award scheme is only available to study teams who:
 - Are working in the disease area of the themed call and undertaking work that will go on to support an RCT in that area
 - Agree to work with the UK DCTN on future related studies
2. Application forms are available on request from the UK DCTN Trial Development Manager ukdctn@nottingham.ac.uk or via the UK DCTN website
3. Maximum funding available via a UK DCTN Themed Call Award is £10,000
4. The awards are made for a maximum period of 2 years with 6 monthly progress reports and a final report being mandatory.
5. Applications for laboratory based research studies are not applicable for this funding stream.
6. Only one award can be made per year in that themed area of research.
7. Short-listing of applications is made on the recommendation of a specially convened UK DCTN Themed Call Awards Panel based on the following criteria: clinical relevance, importance to NHS, need for UK DCTN involvement, patient numbers, likely interest, avoiding duplication of effort, timeliness, feasibility and experience of research team.
8. A final funding decision is made by the UK DCTN Steering Committee following presentation by the short-listed study teams.