

Funded by government through the Department of Health, the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Clinical Research Network is the clinical research delivery arm of the National Health Service in England. The NIHR Clinical Research Network turns the pledges in the government's Strategy for UK Life Sciences into reality, by creating a better environment for conducting large scale commercial contract clinical research, so that life sciences companies can allocate clinical studies to the UK with confidence.

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With a degree in Clinical Psychology and a Masters in Clinical Research, Divya has worked with the Clinical Research Network for the past 6 years. Divya's first role with the CRN was delivering commercial contract clinical research within a National Health Service hospital. Prior to her current role, Divya worked as the Industry Manager within the Mental Health team, performance managing and maintaining oversight of the national mental health portfolio of studies. Thus, Divya has experience of clinical research from the site level and from a national perspective in the UK. Divya is also currently studying for a PhD in Dementia care from the University of Birmingham.



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