

Network News - January

Welcome to Network News, our monthly update from the Emerging Minds Network. Read on to find out about:

- Our **first funding call** is currently open
- We are hosting **events** across the United Kingdom to provide information about the funding call and support proposal development
- The Emerging Minds **podcast** returns for another episode with **Professor Cathy Creswell** answering your frequently asked questions about the funding call.
- Funded placement opportunities available for early career researchers
- News from our network members and the wider world

First Funding Call



We are now inviting proposals for targeted and piloted research projects to address our Research Challenges

Deadline for applications is 21 February 2020 - 9am

The full **briefing** and **application form** are both available for **download here**. You can check our regularly updated **FAQs** for more info on who can apply

Upcoming events

We are hosting optional **Proposal Development Workshops** to help applicants develop their proposals with the opportunity for informal feedback from peers and our reviewers:



- January 24th Birmingham
- January 31st London

To reserve your free place, please click on the Eventbrite links above.

We are also hosting our postponed Belfast events on **5 & 6 February 2020** and free places are still available:

- February 5th Kick off meeting
- February 6th Proposal development meeting

Both workshops will be hosted at **the MAC, 10 Exchange Street West, Belfast** and you can reserve your free place on the Eventbrite links above.

Emerging Minds Podcast Interview

Professor Cathy Creswell joined us for the Emerging Minds Podcast to provide more information about the Network as people start to think about their Funding Call applications.

Our Network Manager Emily Lloyd also sat in to provide more information on the Funding Call itself and Frequently Asked Questions on eligibility and the practicalities.

These episodes are definitely worth checking out if you're preparing a Funding Call application or indeed just want to find out more about us. As well as viewing it on the website, you can also listen to the episodes directly on <u>Youtube</u> and <u>Soundcloud</u>.



Placement opportunities

We are offering funded cross sector placements for PhD students and early career researchers. These will involve spending 3 months working full-time (or a longer period on a part-time basis) in a host organisation in the public or third sector.

Our first round of Emerging Minds cross sector placements are now open for applications. For full details of how to apply, please check out our website



Embracing Complexity Coalition

Embracing Complexity is a coalition of over 50 leading UK charities working together to think differently about people with neurodevelopmental conditions (NDCs).

It is common for people with NDCs to have more than one condition, yet current systems are set up to consider one diagnosis at a time. They are calling for a more joined-up approach to diagnosis, services and research.

This three-month placement will be hosted by Autistica, the UK's autism research charity, who chair the coalition.

The deadline for applications is **3 February 2020**

To apply, visit our website here

Centre for Mental Health



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The Centre for Mental Health drives change in policy and practice in mental health and well-being through life-changing research and policy influencing. They are values led and inspired by difference and diversity.

This placement will contribute to a larger project that is seeking to develop a fully co-produced culturally appropriate approach and tool to measure mental health outcomes for young black men.

The deadline for applications is **10 February 2020**

To apply, visit our website here

Collaboration Opportunities

Funding Call Open

The Kavli Trust Programme on Health Research will be awarding a total of NOK 20 M (Norwegian currency) to collaborative research projects addressing their stated ten evidence gaps in child and adolescent mental health.

More information is available <u>here</u> and interested parties can register <u>here</u>.

The deadline for initial pre-proposals is **28 February 2020**.



The Loneliness and Social Isolation in Mental Health Network is hosting their first funding call. They are looking into the experience of loneliness and the link between loneliness/ isolation and mental health problems. They are strongly encouraging interdisciplinary and cross-sector approaches and welcoem applications led by Early Career Researchers and those with lived experience.

More information is available <u>here</u> including a full call brief, FAQs and an application form.

The deadline for applications is **31 January 2020**.





Research Associate

The Department of Psychology at the University of Bath is seeking a postdoctoral researcher to work on a 4-year MRC funded study, examining the longitudinal pathways via which trauma exposure influences child mental health.



The project will capitalise on a unique South African birth cohort, the Drakenstein Child Health Study, which focuses on children growing up in conditions of significant adversity.

The closing date for applications is **29 January 2020**

For more details and information on how to apply, please visit here

Fellows Award

MQ's Fellows Award supports the best and brightest early career scientists who are asking challenging questions that will contribute to transformative advances in mental health research.

Submissions open in **February 2020** and for more information and how to apply, please visit here



Funding Call Open

SMaRteN is hosting their second funding call. This time, the call asks "What can non-clinical universal approaches to student mental health achieve?'

They are inviting proposals for small research projects to investigate non-clinical and universal approaches to improving student mental health.

For more information and how to apply, visit their website.

The deadline for applications is **March 2020**.



Recommended Reading

Access to child and adolescent mental health services in 2019

<u>The Education Policy Institute (EPI)</u> has published its Annual Report on access to child and adolescent mental health services (CAMHS).

The key findings were that 1 in 4 referrals to specialist children's mental health services were rejected in 2018-19. This amounted to 133,000 children and young people who did not receive support.

Rejection rates have not improved over the past 4 years although there is considerable regional variation.

Trauma, challenging behaviour and restrictive interventions in schools

The Centre for Mental Health has published a report focusing on restrictive interventions in schools (such as seclusion, restraint and exclusion), highlighting the way they can exacerbate distress and behavioural problems among children who have experienced trauma.

<u>The Failure of Children and Young People's Mental Health Services - 2019:</u> **Another year in decline**

<u>Stem4</u> has published a report which highlights that over 4 in 10 NHS GPs advise parents of children with mental health problems to seek treatment privately because NHS services are too overwhelmed to help.

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