

# Research delivery in the NHS

## Key statistics for 2012/13



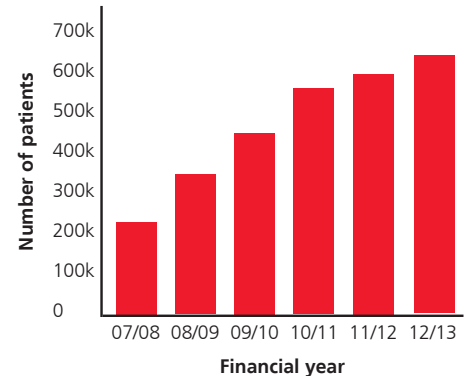
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The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Clinical Research Network is funded by the Department of Health to deliver a portfolio of high-quality clinical research in the NHS in England. Here are the key statistics in relation to 2012/13.

### PATIENT RECRUITMENT HITS NEW HIGH

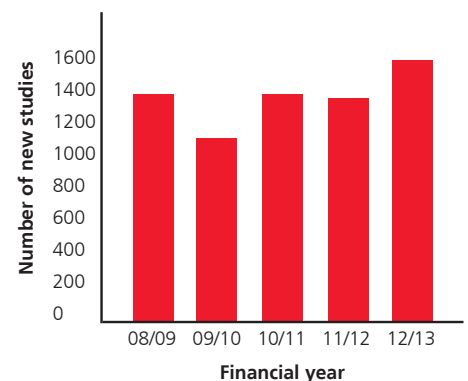
The NIHR Clinical Research Network recruited more than **630,000** patients to clinical studies in 2012/13, a 7% increase on the previous year. This means the Network has tripled patient recruitment in just six years.



### NHS ENGAGEMENT IS STRONG - STUDY NUMBERS ARE UP

The proportion of research-active Trusts recruiting patients onto NIHR Clinical Research Network Portfolio studies remains high at **99%**.

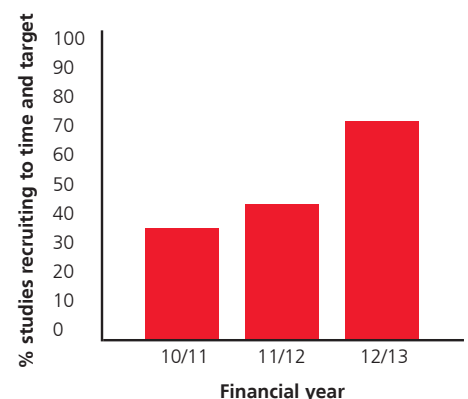
At the end of 2012/13, the Network was supporting more than **4,200** studies in the NHS, a 12% increase on the previous year. During the year, the Network pledged research delivery support to **1,592** new studies, a 17% increase on the previous year.



### IMPROVED STUDY SET-UP AND DELIVERY

With Network support the speed of study set-up has improved five-fold in two years. This means the median number of days it takes to achieve NHS permission for all study sites is **44** calendar days.

The percentage of studies recruiting to time and target is improving year on year. Over the last two years the number has doubled across the NIHR Clinical Research Network Portfolio.



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