

Health Services Research Network Symposium

Delivering better health services

19-20 June 2012, Manchester Central

The Health Services Research Network Symposium, now in its fifth year, is the field's premier knowledge event.

It brings together presentations and discussion at the leading edge of UK and international health services research.

This year, for the first time, the Symposium will be followed by the NHS Confederation Annual Conference and Exhibition, in an unparalleled interface between researchers, practitioners, senior managers and policy makers.

Objectives

- To bring communities and stakeholders together to share knowledge and through that exchange to adopt better ways of collaborative working.
- To align researchers and service leaders to deliver against mandated strategic objectives of safe, high quality, cost effective, accountable services to patients and populations.
- To triangulate research, policy and practice in support of innovative, sustainable and patient-centred solutions to the present and future challenges of delivering health and social care.

Who should attend?

The Health Services Research Network Symposium expects over 300 delegates attracted by the opportunity to share innovative thinking and high quality debate around the application of Health Services Research (HSR) knowledge and the landscape needed to best support HSR.

Delegates are typically researchers from leading academic institutions together with senior managers and decision makers from a broad range of NHS and social care bodies.

The audience also includes research funders, commissioners, government departments, local authorities, third sector, arms length organisations and professional membership groups.

Evidence for innovation

The December 2011 report, *'Innovation Health and Wealth: accelerating adoption and diffusion in the NHS'* places innovation at the top of the service agenda, and

features an ambitious set of recommendations. The challenge for the health services research community is to produce evidence to inform, to direct and to challenge the adoption and diffusion of innovation in the NHS.

Day one of the 2012 Symposium brings together research presentations and discussions of key work in HSR. It offers the opportunity to explore how the research landscape has and will support HSR and to influence key stakeholders including funders, industry partners, research infrastructure.

Translating knowledge into practice

Day two is focussed on the application and spread of innovation. Sectoral streams, including mental health, new technology for integrated working and patient safety, will engage producers and users of HSR evidence in what can be done to deliver effective, efficient and patient-centred health service innovation.

Join us

The HSRN Symposium is the essential date in the HSR calendar. Join your peers and counterparts in the health services research, management, practice and policy communities in Manchester on 19 and 20 June 2012.

Please save the date or email [**hsrn@nhsconfed.org**](mailto:hsrn@nhsconfed.org) to register your interest. Online bookings will be open in due course - further information to be publicised soon.