

Three NIHR Research Schools' Mental Health Programme Newsletter

Funding Opportunity:

The Three NIHR Research Schools' Mental Health Programme has launched a new funding call for an Impact Accelerator Award for Phases I and II award holders.

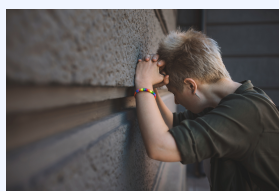
Deadline for applications: 12.30pm on Thursday 17 April 2025.



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News and Blog Posts:

Dr Maria Michail, Three Schools' Mental Health Award holder, has been commissioned to lead a new study exploring how voluntary organisations support young people at risk of suicide.



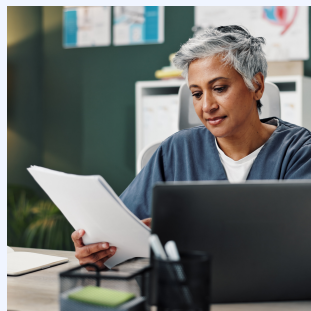
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Dr Rhiannon Barker, Mental Health Fellow, writes about the recent qualitative study she led, reflecting on the team's findings and actions schools should take to improve practices.



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The NIHR Three Research Schools' Mental Health Programme is delighted to announce that a study led by Dr Juan Carlos Bazo Alvarez has been recognised as one of the Top 10 articles of 2024 by the British Journal of General Practice (BJGP).



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Outputs:

Ruth Naughton-Doe, a previous Three Schools' Mental Health Programme Fellowship holder is leading on a new project to identify ways to boost mental health support for young mothers and birthing parents.

[New research to tackle poor mental health in young mothers - News and events, University of York](#)

She has also had a [LGBTQ+ parents and carers zine published](#) which was funded by the ESRC Festival of Social Science.

Finally she is excited to share a new UK-based network LENS (Lived Experience Network for Scholars) that aims to provide a supportive space for academics in the UK with lived experience of mental health and/or addictions. This network has been funded by the NIHR Mental Health Research Incubator.

This is the first online network meeting and will involve:

- Introduction to the network
- Short presentations from organisers Dr Ruth Naughton-Doe (University of York) and Dr Ruth Knight (York St John)
- A session delivered by the McPin Foundation on managing decisions about disclosure
- An 'Open Space' to ask questions and decide on topics for future meetings

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Stephanie Ejegi-Memeh, a previous Three Schools' Mental Health Programme Career Development Award holder has created a [directory of Black-led voluntary and community sector organisations](#). Stephanie has also produced a [blog post](#) partly based on her previous award.

