

BUILDING RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS

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Research is for everyone.
Everyone can help shape the future of research.

By sharing free resources and working in partnership across health conditions, we can help a greater number of people get involved in shaping the future of health and social research.

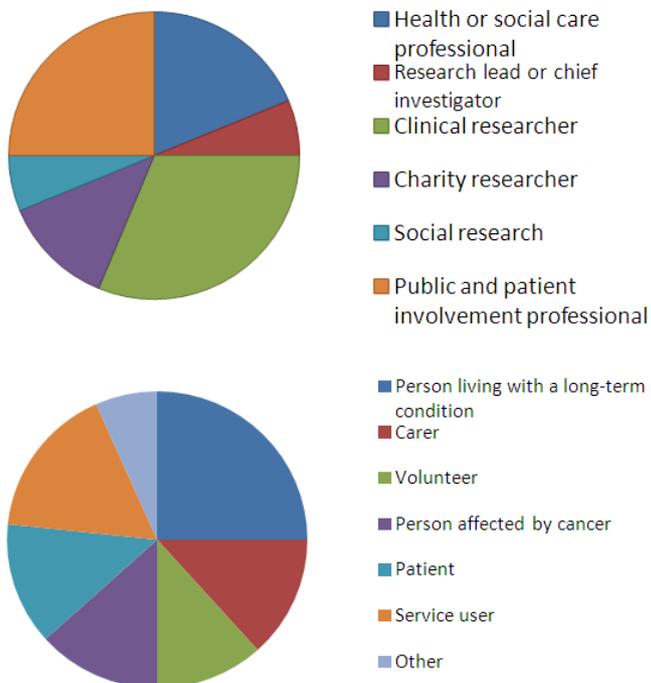
What have we done?

Over the last three years we have trained 10 facilitators to run over 30 events across the UK to support public involvement in research for over 700 researchers and members of the public.

How did we do it?

Macmillan Cancer Support developed a number of three-year partnerships at a national level in three different countries by sharing our resources with national organisations with a remit for public involvement in research. We helped them take ownership by encouraging them to budget for the training of local lay-facilitators and committing to pay them to run a programme of **shared learning events for members of the public and professionals** about public involvement in research. Our partners include the *Public Health Agency (Northern Ireland)*, the *National Institute for Social Care and Health Research Clinical Research Centre (Wales)* and the *National Institute for Health Research (England)*.

Who attended the events?



Results

98% of participants thought that public involvement in research had made a difference or had an impact.

96% of professionals said as a result of attending, their understanding of how to involve the public in research has increased.

75% of the public who attended said their involvement in research has increased since attending the course.

72% of professionals said they involved the public more in their research since attending.

Conclusion

Building Research Partnerships has demonstrated a **successful model of working** for helping the public improve and shape the future of research across health conditions. It has made a **measurable impact** on practice and has received **international recognition**.

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