**Bevan Health Technology Exemplars**

**Call for Applications**

## Overview

The Welsh Government, in partnership with the Bevan Commission’s Bevan Exemplars programme, is issuing a call to NHS staff to apply to become Health Technology Exemplars. The Health Technology Exemplars programme will provide funding and support for NHS Wales staff to work in partnership with industry to implement an innovative health technology in their clinical area, with the aim of improving NHS Wales ways of working, solving health problems and improving health outcomes.

More widely, the Health Technology Exemplars programme will provide a mechanism to accelerate the scale up and widespread adoption of innovative health technology products and services.

Through this open call, NHS Wales employees will be invited to work with Life Sciences and Health sector organisations to identify and rapidly introduce an innovative health technology into the Welsh health system during 2016/17.

Successful applicants will receive up to £7500 of enablement funding from the Welsh Government through the £10m Efficiency through Technology fund and membership of the Bevan Innovators; Bevan Exemplars programme.

The programme’s broader aim is to realise increased healthcare value for NHS Wales as part of Prudent Healthcare delivery; and to drive wider Welsh Government objectives to improve health, wellbeing and stimulate economic growth.

Bevan Health Technology Exemplars will need to make a measurable improvement impact against current practice within the project timetable (9 months) showing tangible ‘healthcare value’ gains through:

* improved resource efficiency,
* health outcomes, or
* patient experience

against pre-project baseline measures as part of an evaluation.

## Document Summary

This document aims to help people understand what being a Bevan Health Technology Exemplar is about and how to apply. In summary, it involves the following steps:

**Step 1** – Read this document to make an application. Check whether you can commit to the timescales at Section 8.

**Step 2** – Complete and submit the application form (Appendix 2)

**Step 3** – Your Local Health Board or Trust will then consider and select applications to submit to the Bevan Commission

**Step 4** – The Bevan Commission panel will shortlist applications for a Dragon’s Den

**Step 5 –** Shortlisted application will be invited to a Dragon’s Den event where the Bevan Commission will make its final selection.

**Step 6 –** You will be notified of the outcome

## Why apply?

Supported to take your health technology through to implementation;

Recognised and championed at senior levels within NHS Wales and the Bevan Commission;

Develop your leadership experience, personal knowledge and skills;

Access to training and mentorship;

Greater insight and access to wider views, people and perspectives;

Develop your personal networks and meet with other like minded people;

Become a champion for change within your organisation;

Influence thinking and practice within your organisation and further afield;

Make a change that makes a difference.

## Criteria for Application

**To apply to be a Bevan Health Technology Exemplar You:**

* must be an NHS Wales employee;
* must be working with an industry partner;
* have a good idea that supports prudent innovation and improved health outcomes;
* are keen and able to work with the Bevan Commission to change and improve healthcare;
* are enthusiastic and passionate about your NHS;
* will be ready to complete a rapid demonstration and practical evaluation of your promising or innovative health technology (within 9 months).

**Health technologies in scope for this programme:**

* Existing or new health technology products: a device, diagnostic or consumable that can be applied to or incorporated into a defined clinical area;
* Improved, or new, application or processes, knowledge, skills, organisational systems, clinical practice or procedures;
* Existing products or services;
* Have the required licensing and regulatory approvals for immediate use;
* Will be capable of making a measurable improvement impact against current practice within the project timetable (9 months) (showing tangible ‘healthcare value’ gains through improved resource efficiency, health outcomes, or patient experience, against pre-project baseline measures as part of an evaluation).

**The health technologies NOT in scope are?**

* Formal R&D studies or trials with requirements for ethics approvals and consent;
* Research studies and trials intended to secure licensing and regulatory approval;
* Ideas or concepts for development;
* Drugs, vaccines or medicines.

## As a Bevan Health Technology Exemplar...

**We expect you to:**

* Fully commit to participating in the Bevan Health Technology Exemplar programme of events and networking (up to 10 days);
* Publicise and promote your work;
* Evaluate the impact and outcomes of your work;
* Promote Prudent Healthcare;
* Champion the Bevan Health Technology Exemplar programme;
* Provide updates and reports as required.

**You should expect us to:**

* co-produce and deliver a programme of personal knowledge and skills development;
* provide tailored network events to support projects and encourage peer-support networks;
* provide coaching and mentoring support;
* provide support to resolve delivery issues;
* facilitate access to Bevan Commissioners;
* promote and publicise your work widely.

**You should expect your organisation to:**

* encourage and support you to take part in Exemplar events and activities and give you the time to do so;
* be fully committed to supporting you to deliver your project;
* help you to overcome challenges or obstacles to delivery.

**Your Industry Partner should:**

* Be committed to providing in-kind support such as equipment/time/resources or financial support;
* Manufacturing / supplying the technology;
* Support the project’s demonstration and evaluation.

## Funding

Enablement funding of up to £7,500 is available to support the implementation of your chosen technology in your clinical area and to measure its impact against the status quo option

This funding will be eligible to support the following:

* Backfill of time to implement your chosen health technology in your clinical area;
* Project delivery costs including engagement and communications activities within the host organisation;
* Practical evaluation of the improvement impact of the selected health technology, including the adaptation or enhancement of existing reporting and measurement systems.

## Benefits of participating for the Industry Partner

Rapid demonstration and practical evaluation of health technologies through working with a clinical champion focused on solving a real health challenge.

A mechanism which could provide evidence of improvement impact and real world feedback which can be used to further develop the technology.

Potential for scale-up and wider adoption across NHS Wales.

## Application & selection process and timescales

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| **Activity** | **Date** |
| Health Technology Exemplars call opens | 28 June 2016 |
| Closing date for applications | 15 August 2016 |
| Outcomes communicated (Progress or Out) and  Invitation to Dragon’s Den issued by... | 31 August 2016 |
| **Dragon’s den event** | **20 September 2016** |
| Communicate Outcome to applicants, sponsors and CEOs/Chairs   * Yes or No | 23 September 2016 |
| **Bevan Exemplars Event 1** | **20 October 2016** |
| Bevan Innovators Conference | 7 December 2017 |
| Bevan Exemplar events | October 2016 through to July 2017 |
| Evaluation reports submitted | July 2017 |

**When submitting your Application you must commit to holding the dates in bold in your diary – We cannot rearrange these dates.**

## Intellectual property considerations

Any existing intellectual property will remain as the property of the original owner.

Arrangements for the ownership of new intellectual property generated must be clearly set out. The default position is that new intellectual property generated will be jointly owned by the organisations delivering the project.

**Appendix 1**

**Bevan Commission & Bevan Academy – Brief**

## The Bevan Commission

The Bevan Commission is an independent, expert group established in 2008 to advise the Minister for Health and Social Services on taking forward health and health services improvement in Wales.

The Commission helps to ensure that Wales can draw on best practice from across the world while remaining true to the principles of the NHS as established by Aneurin Bevan. The Commission is not a formal part of the NHS in Wales and acts as an impartial and independent advisory group to the Minister for Health and Social Services, offering guidance and counsel on health and health related matters.

## The Bevan Academy

The Bevan Academy brings together the public, healthcare professionals, distinguished scholars and NHS staff to promote and improve standards in healthcare in a dynamic learning and development environment in to support inspirational leadership, innovative ideas, new ways of working and action research – learning through doing.

To support these objectives and to help engage the NHS in this work the Academy has created Bevan Innovators.

## Bevan Innovators

The Bevan Commission Innovators are a means to help stimulate, support and embed innovation within and across organisations, drawing together evidence from innovation, social movements for change and collective leadership. Innovators will identify, drive and spread innovation and act as agents for change. The Innovators are:

* **Exemplars** – NHS and other health organisation employees. Exemplars will design and develop ideas that are aligned to Health Board needs and Prudent Healthcare with a positive impact on patient outcomes; create a social movement for change across Wales by sharing approaches and inspiring others; and create a network to share ideas.
* **Fellows** – trainee clinical academics. Fellows will bridge clinical services, academia and practical application; develop proposals that address and support local health needs and improve clinical practice and health outcomes; improve local recruitment; and create clinical academic networks.
* **Advocates** – public, patients and patient organisations. Advocates will provide a voice for the public to contribute to Prudent Healthcare; allow for the Bevan Commission to engage public views, using key questions and topics of interest; and engage the public in supporting the delivery of Prudent Healthcare.

**Appendix 2**

**Bevan Commission Academy Health Technology Exemplars – Application Form**

**Please complete and submit electronically – Closing date 15 August**

**Personal Details**

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| **Job Title** |  |
| **Forename** |  |
| **Surname** |  |
| **Phone Number(s)** |  |
| **Email(s)** |  |
| **Organisation** |  |
| **Department/Section** |  |
| **Base** |  |

**Industry Partner’s Details (Lead Contact)**

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| **Organisation** |  |
| **Job Title** |  |
| **Forename** |  |
| **Surname** |  |
| **Phone Number(s)** |  |
| **Email(s)** |  |
| **Base** |  |

**Line Manager’s Details**

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| **Job Title** |  |
| **Forename** |  |
| **Surname** |  |
| **Department** |  |
| **Phone Number(s)** |  |
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| **Project Title** |
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| **Brief Description of your Project** |
| [Guide length – 300 words] |

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| **Funding & Resources** |
| **Contribution agreed with LHB/Trust:**  **Contribution agreed with Industry Partner:**  **Funding contribution required from the Bevan Commission:** |

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| **Commercial Arrangements** |
| [Briefly describe any commercial arrangements with your industry partner] |

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| **Plans** |
| [Outline your plans for delivery here. What? When?] |

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| **Anticipated Benefits / Outcomes / Results** |
| [Describe how your chosen Health Technology might improve existing NHS Wales' resource efficiency; improved healthcare outcomes; improved patient experience etc]  [Guide length – 250 words] |

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| **Evaluation** |
| [Describe how you will measure your project’s anticipated benefits / outcomes / results]  [Guide length – 250 words] |

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| **Commitments Please Tick to Confirm** | |
| I confirm that I can attend Dragons Den on 20 September 2016 |  |
| I confirm that I can attend the Opening Event on 20 October 2016 |  |
| I commit to participating fully in the Health Technology Exemplars Programmes programme of events, networking (up to 10 days) |  |
| I commit to preparing an evaluation of my project |  |

**Completed forms should be submitted by email to your Health Board/Trust Lead by 15 August 2016**

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