



Do you have experience of bowel or abdominal cancer?

We're looking for someone to join our research team as a patient advisor for a new clinical trial.

What are we doing?

The Southampton Clinical Trials Unit runs trials of new treatments and diagnostic tools to gather evidence that could see them adopted in the NHS. We're planning a new study which aims to help find ways to diagnose cancer in its earliest stages when symptoms may be vague and the cause of them unclear.

How can you help?

We are looking for people who have personal experience of diagnosis and treatment for bowel cancer, or another abdominal cancer, to join our research team. You will be involved in helping to design the study so it truly meets the needs of the people who will participate and benefit from the results in the future, and will advise the team throughout the funding application process and beyond if the study is funded.

This role will involve:

- Meeting with the trial team, online via Microsoft Teams, 3-4 times throughout December and January to give feedback on the study design and funding application.
- Potentially being a named co-applicant on the funding application.
- If funded, joining the Trial Management Group (TMG) and meeting online, initially every month, throughout the development and duration of the study.

Reimbursement

We offer reimbursement in line with the SCTU PPI Payment Policy and NIHR guidelines of £27.50/hr for meetings and document review. Small tasks, e.g. answering emails or very quick calls may not be reimbursed.

How will we support you?

The Chief Investigator and trial management team will give you an initial overview of the project and support you throughout your role. There will also be wider support and resources available from our local network of public involvement professionals and other public contributors.

Interested?

If you are interested in this role or have any other questions, please email Victoria Goss, V.M.Goss@soton.ac.uk, with a brief description of your personal experience.

Deadline for application – Wednesday 26th November 2025.