

## What we offer

Using a wide range of expertise, we can:

- Help you develop your research proposals
- Assess study feasibility
- Provide expert advice
- Ensure parent representation in all activities
- Direct applicants to funding advice and funding opportunities



## Get involved with the Pain & Palliative Care CSG

Please contact [csg.crnchildren@nihr.ac.uk](mailto:csg.crnchildren@nihr.ac.uk) if you:

- Would like advice on study development, at any stage but in particular at the initial stage of planning the research design
- Are interested in becoming a member

## More information

To find out more information about what the Pain & Palliative Care CSG can offer you contact:

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# Pain & Palliative Care Clinical Studies Group

(CRN: Children / Louis Dundas  
Development Fund collaboration)

**Find out who we are and how we can  
help you.**



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**Delivering research to make patients,  
and the NHS, better.**

## National Institute for Health Research Clinical Research Network: Children

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Clinical Research Network (CRN) provides researchers with the practical support they need to make clinical studies happen in the NHS, so that more research takes place across England, and more patients can take part. We work collaboratively with our counterparts in the Devolved Nations where similar arrangements exist to support clinical research.

The Children Specialty is one of 30 specialties which bring together communities of clinical practice to provide national networks of research expertise. It is made up of research-interested clinicians and practitioners who work at both national and local levels to ensure the studies that are included in our national portfolio of research are delivered successfully in the NHS. By “successfully” we mean ensuring that studies recruit the right amount of patients within planned timescales.

We support and deliver clinical research involving children that includes:

- Clinical trials
- Randomised controlled trials and other high quality research of new and established medicines for children
- Screening, diagnosis and the development of prognostic tools including imaging interventions such as behavioural interventions and medical devices
- Studies on normal development and the pathogenesis, monitoring and prevention of disease
- Cohort studies and the effect of lifestyle factors such as diet, nutrition and exercise

## Pain & Palliative Care CSG

The Pain and Palliative Care CSG is one of 14 CSGs (see box opposite) which have been established by CRN: Children to cover the majority of paediatric specialties.

The membership of our CSG includes: active researchers (medical and other professions), parents, nurses, charity representatives and formulation experts. We are responsible for developing and overseeing a comprehensive Portfolio of clinical trials and related studies in pain management and palliative care in children. The CSG is supported by the Louis Dundas Development Fund at UCL ICH and GOSH.



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## Our experience

Clinical trial design, development and support for:

- Analgesics and anti-neuropathic pain treatments
- Symptom management in palliative care
- End of life care management
- Complex pain management interventions



### CRN: Children CSGs

- Allergy, Infection and Immunity
- Anaesthesia, Intensive Care and Cardiology
- Cleft and Craniofacial Anomalies
- Diabetes and Endocrine
- Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition
- General Paediatrics
- Inherited Metabolic Disorders
- Neonatal
- Nephrology
- Neurosciences
- **Pain and Palliative Care**
- Pharmacy and Pharmacology (including Paediatric Formulations and Pharmacokinetics)
- Respiratory and Cystic Fibrosis
- Rheumatology