

CALLS

NIHR COVID -19 FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) has launched a call for global health research to tackle COVID-19 in LMICs, in partnership with the UK Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) and the Medical Research Council (MRC), which is part of UK Research and Innovation (UKRI). This research call is aiming to support applied health research that will address COVID-19 knowledge gaps. The focus is on understanding the pandemic and mitigating its health impacts in LMICs. The call prioritises epidemiology, clinical management, infection control and health system responses.

- **The eligibility is as follows:**

- Applications are particularly encouraged from LMIC PIs, as well as PIs based in the UK working in equitable partnerships with LMIC investigators. Applicants must have a relevant academic affiliation to an eligible institution in an LMIC or the UK.

- **4 thematic areas considered from the WHO Covid Roadmap:**

- Theme 3: Epidemiological studies
- Theme 4: Clinical management
- Theme 5: Infection prevention and control including health care workers' protection
- Theme 9: Social Sciences and Humanities in the Outbreak Response.

- **3 different dates for application on a rolling call basis:**

- 22nd June 2020
- 10th August 2020
- 28th September 2020

- **Up to £1million per award, up to 18months duration.**

- **All proposals** will need to be able to show how progress within the period of award could make a valuable contribution in addressing the impacts of the COVID-19 outbreak in LMICs, with data and tools/reagents generated under this call to be made widely available.

More information is available here: <https://www.nihr.ac.uk/funding/global-effort-on-covid-19-geco-health-research/24844>