

## global implementation conference 2019

Glasgow, 16-17 September  
2019.

Colleagues from CELCIS (the Centre for Excellence for Looked After Children in Scotland) are calling for presenters for the upcoming 2019 Global Implementation Conference.

Focusing on 'Implementation for Impact', the GIC 2019 will engage the expanding global implementation community through dialogue and discussion on cutting edge implementation policy and practice and real-world examples of achieving impact, guided by effective implementation.

They are accepting proposals in two formats:

- Parallel Sessions (Topic-Specific Facilitated Discussions)
- Storyboard Presentations

**Deadline: 29 March 2019**

Visit :

<https://gic.globalimplementation.org/call-for-presenters/>



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### What Works Now - Evidence-Informed Policy and Practice

Published 27 Mar 2019, Policy Press

With contributions from UK-IS members, *What Works Now* builds substantially on the earlier, landmark text, *What Works?* (Policy Press, 2000). The book brings together key thinkers and researchers to provide a contemporary review of the aspirations and realities of evidence-informed policy and practice, with chapters on a range of public service topics including: social care, criminal justice, health and education.

The text provides sector-by-sector analysis of evidence use in policy-making and service delivery. It considers some cross-cutting themes, including new perspectives from implementation science and practice, and includes a section of international commentaries. It concludes by looking at lessons from the past and prospects for the future.

This book will be of interest to a wide range of social science researchers, students and practitioners as well as those interested in supporting more evidence-informed policy and practice. **More...**



## 2nd uk implementation science research conference

King's College London's Denmark Hill Campus, 18 July 2019

The theme of the second UK conference dedicated to implementation science research will be: **'Advancing the science of scaling up: Improving efficiency and effectiveness of implementation strategies in healthcare.'**

The one-day conference will showcase the latest international research in the field of implementation science applied to health and social care.

The organisers are welcoming abstract submissions from a wide range of researchers who would like to offer an oral or poster presentation.— accepted abstracts will be submitted for open access publication in the BioMed Central Journal. **The deadline for abstracts is 15 April. More...**

**2 free places are available for UK Implementation Society members.**

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## news from the UK Implementation Society

**Group Memberships** - did you know that as well as welcoming individual members, the UK Implementation Society offers discounts for groups of five or more members joining together?

In 2018 we welcomed 7 members from Leeds Rethink team, and 22 members from CELCIS at the University of Strathclyde.

If you have colleagues who would like to benefit from membership in 2019, contact:

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### Bloggers Required

The UK-IS blog page is a great place to get your thoughts and observations about implementation science and practice into the public domain: the blog is part of our open access resources and reaches not just other UK-IS members but a large number of international readers.

Contact our Commissioning Editor for Blogs, Mark Pearson at:

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## upcoming events

Meetings, seminars, talks, calls for abstracts, conferences. Keep on top of what's coming your way in the coming months with an implementation focus.

### UK Implementation Week 2019

**Stop press** – The UK Implementation Society have just announced that the week of 15th -19th July 2019 will be UK Implementation Science and Practice Week. UK-IS plans to run events with a particular focus on the in-practice applications of implementation science, with distinguished guests from Canada, the US and of course the UK.

**More news to follow soon, but mark that week in your diaries now.**

### 17<sup>th</sup> Quality & Safety Improvement Research Network (QIRN) meeting, Bergen, Norway

25-26 April 2019 – Convened by Professor John Ovretveit (Karolinska Institute), QIRN is for PhD students and researchers who want to improve their research in the field of improvement and implementation in healthcare. This year, the meeting will be co-hosted by Haukeland Hospital Bergen and Hesle Fonna. If you would like to know more or are interested in participating contact Professor John Ovretveit (jovretbis@aol.com).

### Implementation Science Institute, Philadelphia, USA

29-3 May 2019 – The University of Pennsylvania's Master of Science in Health Policy Research (MSPH) is convening a 3-day Implementation Science Institute. The aim is to provide participants with the tools to design and execute rigorous implementation science research. The Institute will introduce the foundations of implementation science (e.g. terminology, conceptual models and frameworks, study design). Participants will receive an overview of advanced topics including implementation strategies and examples of successful research programs. **More..**

### Summer Institute on Implementation Science, Chapel Hill (North Carolina), USA

10-12 June 2019 – The purpose of the second annual Summer Institute is to share methods and tools for integrating equity and inclusion in implementation science and practice. The Summer Institute is aimed at social workers and public health professionals working as agency leaders, directors, program managers, and program evaluators, and implementation researchers and practitioners. **More...**

### EBM Live, Oxford

15-17 July 2019 – EBM Live explores ways to make evidence relevant and replicable for policy, patients and professionals in healthcare. The event focus of four themes: identifying and fixing the problems with research evidence, developing better research evidence, enhancing real-world practice, and adding capacity in EBM globally. The call for abstract is open until 31 March 2019. **More...**

### Social Outcomes Conference 2019, Oxford

5-6 September 2019 - Governments and international donor agencies are increasingly focused on outcomes (rather than the quantity or quality of activity). This conference will focus on models that encourage collaboration across sectors (such as outcomes-based commissioning, social impact bonds, outcomes funds, and place-based approaches) and is interested in exploring how well these approaches work in practice. Abstracts are invited for both original research and proposals for practice-focused presentations by 7 May 2019. **More...**

### 2019 Biennial SIRC Conference, Seattle, USA

12-14 September 2019 – the 5th Biennial SIRC Conference aims to explore the ways in which research, policy and practice intersect to advance the field and improve outcomes for populations served. Where does the "rubber meet the road" and how do our advances in implementation science have a direct and relevant impact on policies and programs in real world settings? **More...**

## training opportunities

### Knowledge into Action, Oxford University

20-24 May 2019 - This module aims to introduce you to implementation science and related interdisciplinary perspectives on the links between research evidence, practice and policy. Lectures and seminars will cover models and tools for implementing evidence. Teaching will be led by Professor Trish Greenhalgh and Dr Kamal R. Mahtani, both clinicians and researchers at the Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences. **More...**

### Implementation Science Masterclass 2019, King's College London, London

16-17 July - Now in its sixth year, the Masterclass is a two-day course for health and social care professionals, researchers, patients and service users, policymakers, commissioners and managers who want to ensure health and social care services offer care based on the latest evidence. The Masterclass features lectures from world-renowned experts, small group workshops facilitated by leading researchers, and advice on how to work on your own implementation projects. If you are involved in an implementation project within health or social care services, or planning to carry out or evaluate one, then this Masterclass will be of interest.

**More...**

### Implementation Theory and Application in Health Care, Linköping, Sweden

4 September-28 November 2019 - This PhD-level course provides a broad introduction to the development of implementation science and the research conducted in this field. The aim is to increase understanding of the challenges of implementation in healthcare and convey in-depth knowledge concerning theories, models and frameworks that are of practical use in the participants' own implementation studies. The course is taught in English. Work is conducted on a half-time basis and course participants meet in Linköping on three occasions for lectures and group discussions. Course materials are studied in between these meetings. **More...**

## knowledge resources

**Cyberseminar: Implementation Strategies for HCV Treatment that Distinguish Higher-Performing VA Facilities: An Applied Use of Configurational Comparative Methods** - The QUERI Implementation Network host Edward Miech, EdD and Vera Yakovchenko, MPH to present results from a national evaluation applying Configurational Comparative Methods (CCMs) to identify the implementation strategies or combinations of strategies linked to HCV treatment initiation at VA hospitals across the USA. **More...**

**KIS glossary of terms used in improvement and implementation** - King's Improvement Science has published a glossary on a collection of terms and definitions from the fields of quality improvement, improvement science and implementation science. It also contains relevant terminology from health economics, patient and public involvement, evaluation and research. It is based on the work and experience of the King's Improvement Science team. **More...**

**Evidence Store for children's social care** - The What Works Centre for Children's Social Care has launched its Evidence Store. It currently comprises summaries of interventions that the research team has reviewed to date, including at-a-glance ratings for overall effectiveness and strength of evidence. Information is provided on how the intervention works, who it's for and where it's been studied. They have included some basic implementation details and relevant UK contacts and case studies where available. The Evidence Store also has a list of the review work that is currently being undertaken. **More...**

**Using theory, models and frameworks in implementation and improvement** - There is a wealth of theories, models and frameworks (TMFs) at the disposal of researchers and practitioners working in the field of implementation and improvement. However, there is continued criticism about our collective poor use, under use and mis-use of TMFs. There have been a number of useful analyses that have helped to map and categorise TMFs relevant to implementation (e.g. [Nilsen, 2015](#); [Tabak et al, 2012](#)). In 2017, [Birken and colleagues](#) analysed the type, use, and criteria for selecting TMFs amongst the implementation researcher community. More recently, [Birken and colleagues \(2018\)](#) have gone on to produce a implementation theory comparison and selection tool (T-CAST) to help researchers and practitioners select appropriate TMFs to guide their implementation projects.

## jobs & opportunities

### THIS Institute post-doctoral and senior fellowships

THIS Institute fellows gain the opportunity to join a supported community of improvement researchers and develop their research leadership skills to improve healthcare quality and safety.

Applications are welcome from a broad range of fields and any discipline that has the potential to contribute to the study of how to improve healthcare. It may be held at any UK university.

Post-doctoral fellowship applications close on 14 May 2019 and the senior fellowship competition opens on 20 May and closes on 18 July 2019. **More...**

### Associate Professor

The University of Washington is recruiting an Assistant Professor in implementation science in global health.

It is a full-time, 12-month service period position with an anticipated start date in fall of 2019. **More...**

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## about us

Across the world, scientists, policy makers, funders and practitioners recognise that there is an implementation gap between what we know about effective services, and how we deliver them in practice.

In social care and in health and education as well as in other areas of services for people, the fields of implementation, improvement and innovation science and practice are rapidly developing, aiming to pool knowledge and knowhow in order to bridge this gap more quickly.

The UK Implementation Society (UK-IS) is working to promote, increase and sustain knowledge and understanding of the science and practice of effective implementation. We bring together professionals and students working to share cross-disciplinary learning to address the implementation gap. UK-IS is funded entirely by donations and subscriptions.

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Are you interested in improving the effectiveness of services using the latest knowledge from the globally developing field of implementation science and practice? If so **Join the UK Implementation Society**.

The Society was formed by an independent group of researchers, practice leaders, and policy professionals working in academia, central and local government and the third sector. It is one of a number of similar groups developing across the world.

The Society is for people who want to be part of a multidisciplinary learning community working towards the implementation of more effective services for people and communities. We are building a range of activities and resources to bring people together and develop the field in the UK.

### Members have access to these opportunities:

- Meet and share learning with others working in policy, practice, and science across a wide range of services to people
- Reduced fees for learning and networking events, seminars and conferences both virtual and physical, at different locations around the UK
- Access and contribute to online and other resources including publications, learning resources, links and information on relevant events and developments in implementation science and practice around the world

### SUBMISSIONS FOR THE NEXT ISSUE

Please forward all submissions for the next issue to the Society's Knowledge Resources Officer, Andrew Walker, by  
**14<sup>th</sup> June 2019**  
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