

**Are you an individual employed by
a health or social care organisation
with a research idea?**

**Do you need time and space to
pursue your research career goals?**

Springboard awards 2022

Building research careers across Kent, Surrey and Sussex

The Applied Research Collaboration Kent, Surrey and Sussex (ARC KSS) is pleased to announce the opening of our Springboard awards for 2022. There are two opportunities to apply either in April or September.

We are offering **£5000 over six months** to provide **dedicated time** for research development activities for individuals employed by a health or social care organisation (including social work, private or charity sector and public health).



The funding should enable you to build your skills in order to take your research idea/project forward, activities may include:

- developing a research project/idea through public, community and/or user engagement
- developing a research project/idea by understanding the population need, maybe through use of existing data or consultation
- developing your knowledge of current literature and evidence
- dedicated time to apply for research fellowship schemes (e.g. pre-doctoral awards, fellowships etc.).

To apply, **you must fit the following criteria:**

- not be in receipt of any external funding for a research project
- be employed by an [ARC KSS member organisation](#) with a remit for providing health or social care.
- Your area of research interest must align to one or more of the [ARC KSS research themes](#).

Applications should show how having dedicated time will help you on your research career pathway. You should use knowledge gained during the award for the benefit of your service.



How to apply:

To apply you should:

- Check your project aligns with the [ARC KSS research funding values](#) and [our themes](#).
- Complete an application form and send it together with a CV (no longer than 3 pages) to: arckssacademy@kent.ac.uk

Submit your application by 5pm by one of the deadlines below:

29th April 2022 or 16 September 2022.

Applications will be assessed and successful candidates notified within six weeks of the application deadline.

If you have any questions about the awards, please email arckssacademy@kent.ac.uk. We would be happy to speak with you about your application.

Be creative in care