

Research Involvement Network (RIN) Terms & Conditions

1. Terms of Membership

- 1.1** Membership in the Research Involvement Network begins once an email is sent to you acknowledging the success of your online application.
- 1.2** If you are for any reason unwilling or unable to continue being a member of the group, temporarily or permanently, you are required to inform one of the RIN administrators.
- 1.3** RIN administrators reserve the right to terminate someone's membership on the basis of inappropriate behaviour towards RIN administrators and other RIN members or if a member is inactive for over a calendar year without giving notice.

2. Terms of Involvement

- 2.1** All members of the Research Involvement Network are eligible to receive opportunities for involvement in research via Facebook (by joining the private RIN Facebook group) or via email.
- 2.2** All opportunities posted on the RIN are open to involvement by all members unless otherwise stated. For example, if there is an opportunity to review a grant application on paediatric tumours, adult tumour patients and carers are also welcome to take part, unless explicitly stated that the researchers in question are looking for feedback from a specific group such as 'parents of children with a brain tumour'.
- 2.3** Involvement opportunities are usually open for a finite amount of time and members should be alert to notifications from the RIN, whether they are Facebook notifications or emails.
- 2.4** Involvement in projects is not compulsory, and members can be selective as to what they contribute to. However, in the spirit of collaboration and of the efforts to strengthen patient voice within research, all members are encouraged to take part in as many RIN opportunities as possible.

3. Terms and Conditions of Confidentiality

- 3.1** All internal opportunities posted on the RIN (those that have resulted from researchers approaching the RIN directly), including summaries of grant applications, consultations and steering group meetings are the intellectual property of researchers and so are confidential to members and administrators of the RIN. Members are not allowed to discuss or publicize current, past or future involvement opportunities with third parties who are not current members or administrators of the RIN.
- 3.2** Failure to follow clause 3.1 of the 'Research Involvement Network (RIN) Terms and Conditions' document by anyone will result in immediate termination of RIN membership.