

Do you deliver health, social care and/or support in Dumfries and Galloway?

Do you have an idea that could enable people to live well at home for longer across Dumfries and Galloway? Then we would like to hear from you! Supported by leaders across the partnership, Dumfries and Galloway Health and Social Care Partnership have made £50,000 available to invest in ideas that can make a real difference for local people and how we provide care and support.

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

CLOSING DATE: 6 December 2023

We'd love to hear from you if you have an idea that:

- Enables people to live well at home for longer.
- Amplifies the voice of people using care, Carers and the workforce (paid and unpaid).
- Reduces pressures on the system and the people who deliver health and social care and support, including volunteers and unpaid Carers.
- Supports personal and community resilience, and wealth building.
- Promotes equality and inclusiveness.
- Demonstrates creativity, added value and innovation through news of working and collaboration partnerships.
- Is preventative and demonstrate human and economic cost benefits.
- Addresses risk and have the potential to be scaled and replicated.

The application form:



To access the form, visit [here](#) or scan the QR code. Should you need an accessible version, please do not hesitate to contact The Lens team who would be delighted to assist via hello@lensperspectives.org.uk.

Don't worry if you aren't sure about every detail of your idea. If your idea is shortlisted, you will work on the idea through the Developing Intrapreneurship Workshops.

Please visit our FAQs below to find out more.

FAQs

Who can apply to the Programme?

It is often the people closest to the problem have the best ideas. The Programme is open to all people who deliver health and social care and support, including unpaid Carers, third sector and other sector organisations.

How can I develop my idea?

To help you turn your idea into action, successful applicants will be supported through a series of workshops delivered by The Lens.

Through a bespoke programme of practical workshops, coaching and peer support, they will ensure you have the skills and confidence you need to make your idea a reality by pitching for investment (e.g. senior support, resources, funding).

How to apply

To apply, please [complete an application form](#) using the QR code above to outline your idea and how it fits the investment criteria outlined above. The deadline for applications is the **6 December 2023**.

If you are unable to access the online form, please get in touch with the team at The Lens via hello@lensperspectives.org.uk who would be delighted to ensure you have all you need in order to apply.

Need support with your application?

If you have an idea you'd like to discuss in more detail with the friendly team at The Lens, sign up for our Studio and Activating Intrapreneurship workshops by scanning the QR code above.

What Happens If You Are Shortlisted?

As an Intrapreneur, you would be invited to the Developing Intrapreneurship workshops. Please ensure you, or a member of your team, can attend each workshop as they will develop you and your idea in readiness for potential investment. The workshops are also an important opportunity to build connections with the other Intrapreneurs and to build on your ideas together.



To find out more about the programme and book support for your application, scan the QR code above.

Workshop	Date	Time
Business Storytelling	9 & 10 January 2024	09:30 - 16:30
Business Model Canvas & Value Proposition	24 January 2024	09:30 - 16:30
Prototyping	7 February 2024	09:30 - 16:30
Securing Investment	22 February 2024	09:30 - 16:30
Investment Event	7 March 2024	09:30 - 16:30

FAQs

Who is The Lens?

The Lens is an independent charity that works with organisations across the public, private and third sectors. Founded in 2015, The Lens team have over seven years' experience delivering support to organisations that want to better their services and by extension, the lives of those who access them. They strongly believe that those closest to the problem are the best equipped to solve it, so a key part of their work is providing frontline staff and volunteers the opportunity to feedback on services and share their ideas on how to improve them.

You can find out more about The Lens and the work they've supported [here](#).

What is Intrapreneurship?

Intrapreneurship means to act like an entrepreneur within an existing organisation.

Still unsure?

We know that making your voice heard and sharing your idea can be daunting. Many of our past intrapreneurs/ participants felt anxious about applying to a programme but have since gone on to achieve enormous success.

Take Veronica Culley for example. She took part in the Clackmannanshire Council and Family Wellbeing Partnership Intrapreneurship Programme last year. Working collaboratively with local parents, she and her team, 'Without Exception', successfully secured funding and are now busy improving the lives of young people across the region.

But don't just take our word for it – you can find out more about Veronica's journey here: <https://vimeo.com/808980606>

You can also read about other life-changing ideas currently in development over on our website: <https://www.lensperspectives.org.uk/life-changing-ideas/>