

Research Champions Newsletter

Showcasing the amazing work of our Research Champions



A huge congratulations to Research Champion Hussein on his fantastic achievements at the Sussex Clinical Academic Conference. Hussein presented a poster on workforce diversity among physiotherapists in Sierra Leone, highlighting workforce needs and potential solutions to improve equity and professional recognition. He also confidently chaired the second half of the oral presentations, leading discussions for a large audience.

An inspiring achievement, well done Hussein!



Gamification of learning

"I'm a critical care nurse, researcher, and creator of Care Combobulation - a board game project that uses gamification to improve clinical reasoning, communication, and team-based learning using frontline experience. Presenting the project at the Champions meeting was invaluable, allowing me to explore its educational and research potential with people who bring both research insight and lived experience. Their feedback helped shape ideas on implementation, collaboration, and community engagement, and it was encouraging to see interest in creative approaches to healthcare education." Emanuele

Champions in action



Feasibility Study of Hearing Devices for Adults with Conductive or Mixed Hearing Loss

"Our study is looking at two types of hearing devices in adults with conductive or mixed hearing loss, with participants trialling each device over 12–14 weeks. We presented to the Research Champions for PPIE input and found the session really helpful - the feedback gave us a fresh perspective on how our study materials would come across to potential participants. It was a great opportunity and we really appreciated everyone's time and thoughts." Anjola



International Clinical Trials Day (ICTD)!

We had a fantastic ICTD at UHSussex, with brilliant support from our Research Champions at both Worthing and Brighton.

There was great engagement from both the public and staff, with many people getting involved in our James Lind "You've Been Randomised" trial and enjoying the activities on offer.

It was also wonderful to see our Champions and staff featured in social media vignettes, helping to create a strong and visible research presence. Thank you all for your passion and support in raising research awareness!