



## Easier

- Sign-posting a clear path through NIHR infrastructure for researchers and research funders

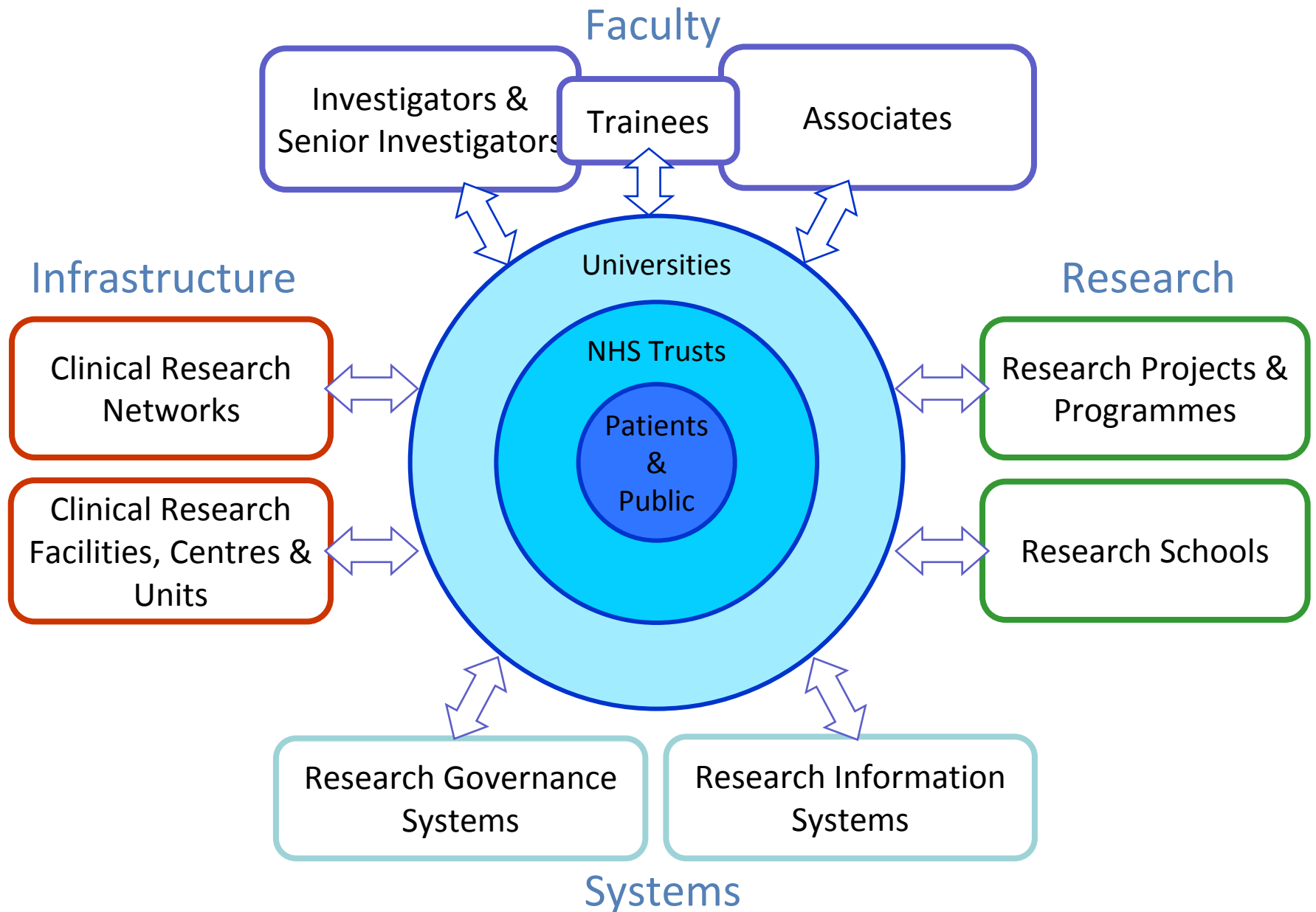
## Better

- Promoting the highest quality research environment

## Faster

- Catalysing faster set up, delivery and translation of research into clinical practice

# The NIHR Health Research System



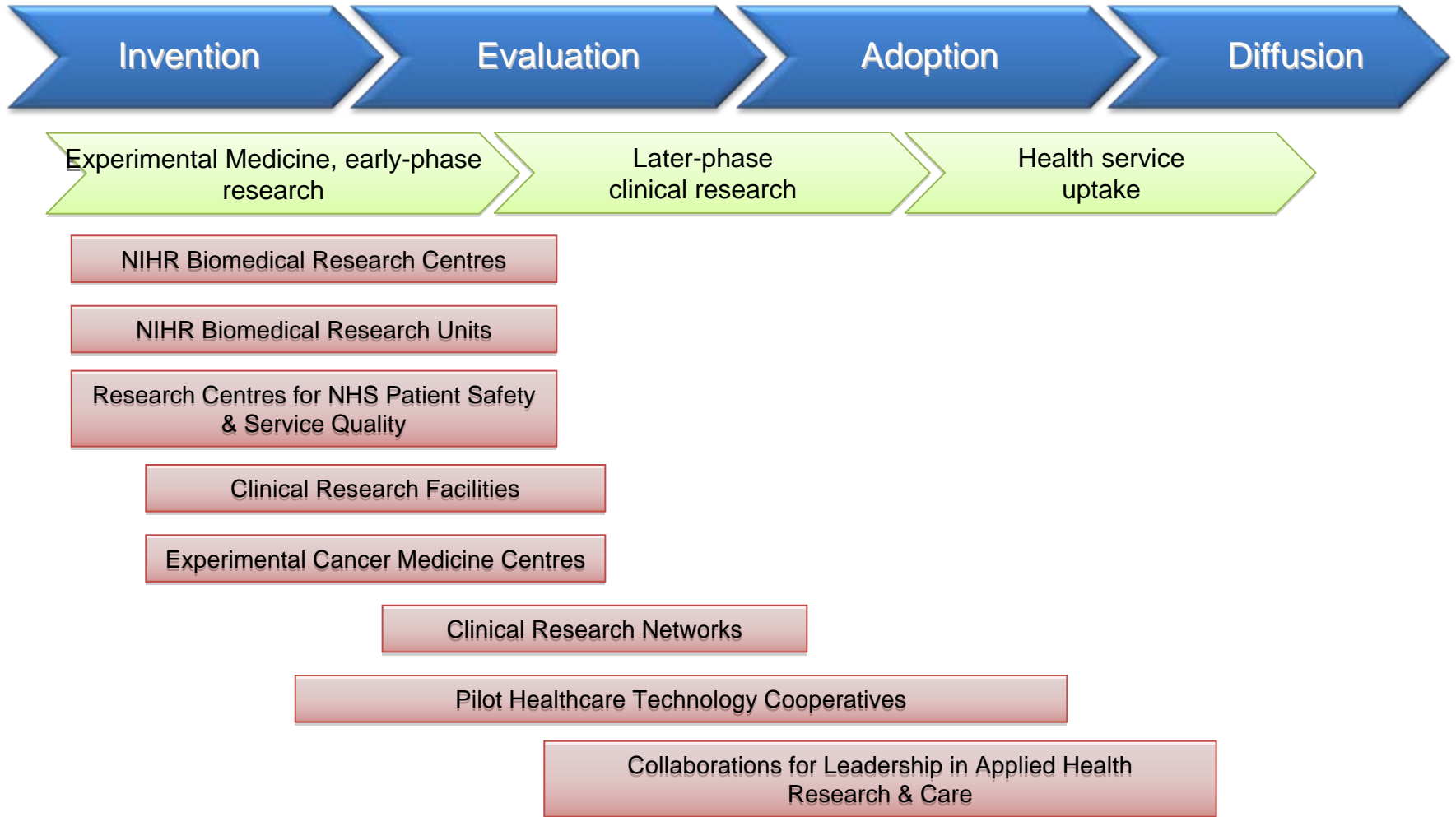
## Infrastructure

Clinical Research  
Networks

Clinical Research  
Facilities, Centres &  
Units

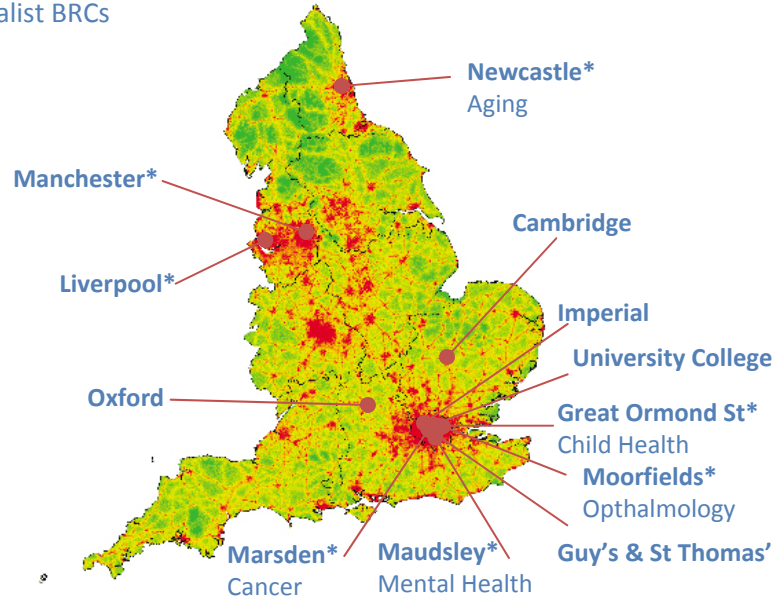
*“...the support and facilities the NHS  
needs for first class research...”*

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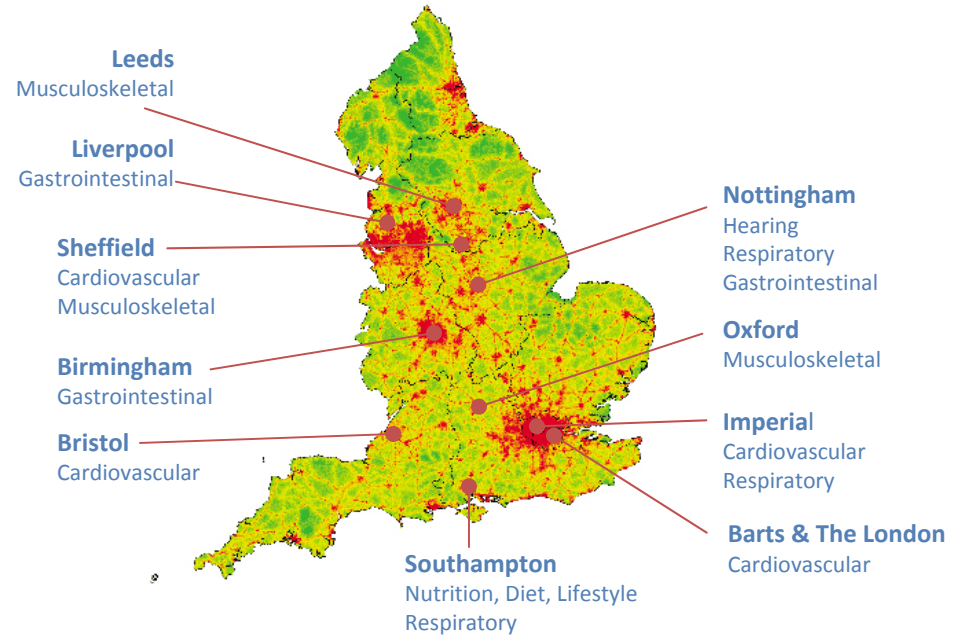


## NIHR Biomedical Research Centres

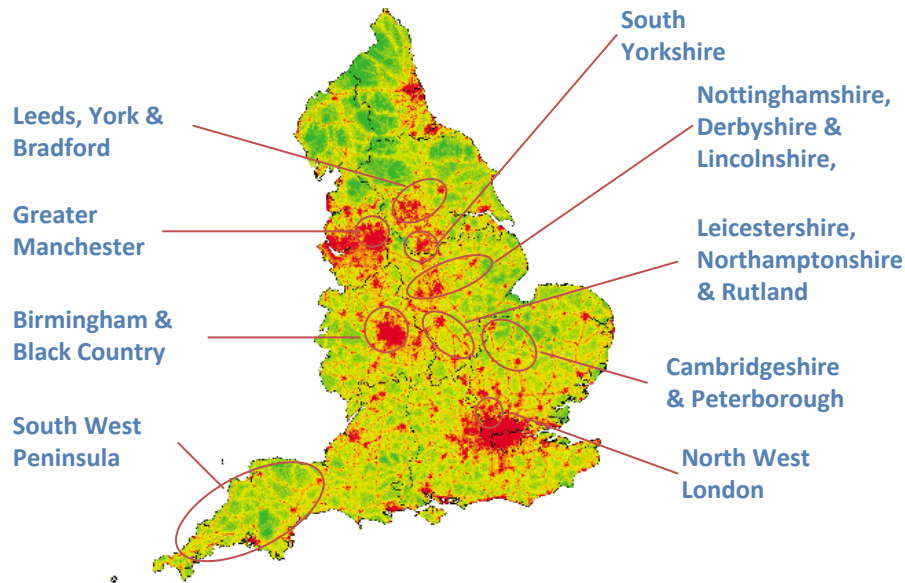
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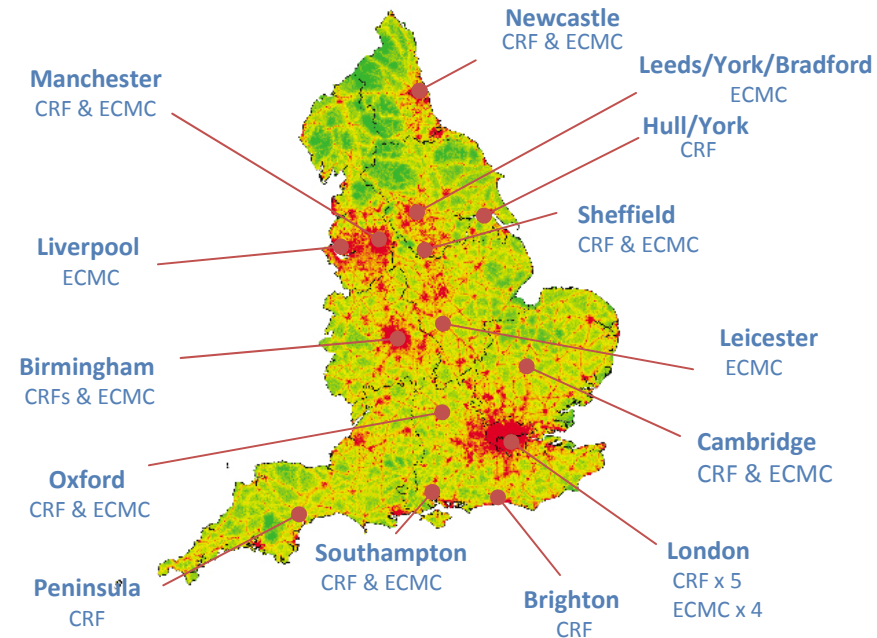
## NIHR Biomedical Research Units



## NIHR Collaborations for Leadership in Applied Health Research and Care (CLAHRCs)



## NIHR-Supported CRFs & ECMCs



# NIHR Clinical Research Networks

## NIHR Dementias & Neurodegenerative Diseases Research Network



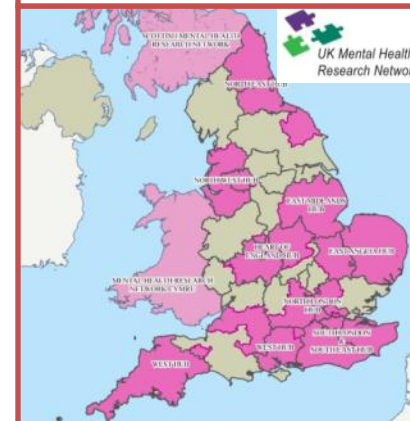
## NIHR Diabetes Research Network



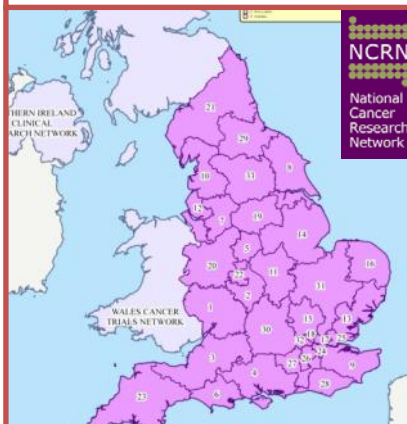
## NIHR Medicines for Children Research Network



## NIHR Mental Health Research Network



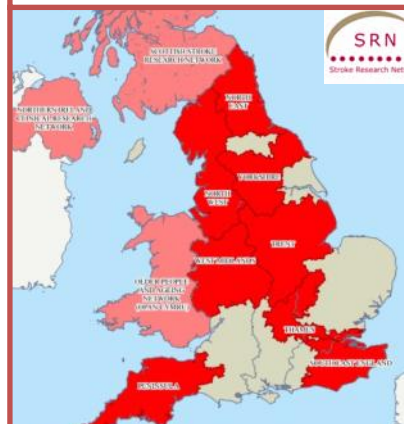
## NIHR National Cancer Research Network



## NIHR Primary Care Research Network



## NIHR Stroke Research Network

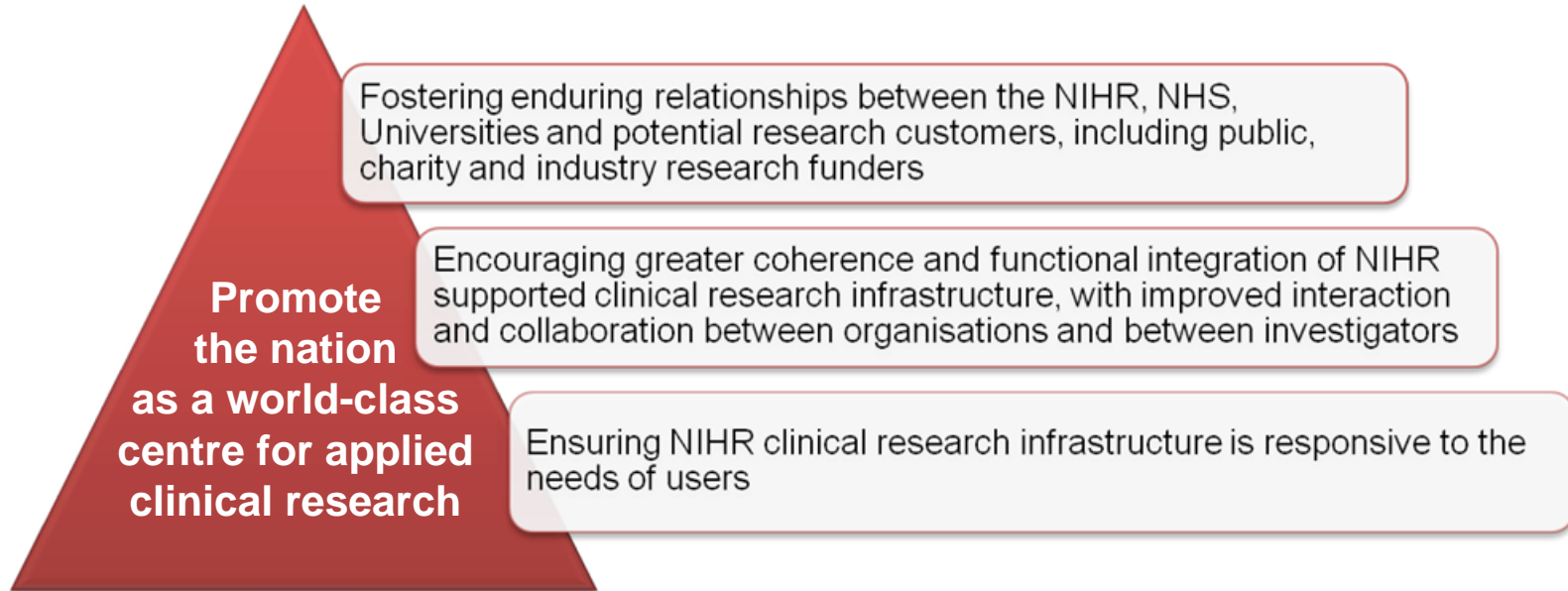


## NIHR Comprehensive Clinical Research Network



## NOCRI – Aims and focus

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### *Currently focusing on:*

- Facilitating cross-NIHR infrastructure co-operation on scientific and technical challenges (e.g. mapping imaging resources) or activities in a particular therapeutic or technology area (e.g. biomarkers)
- Developing model agreements to support collaborative commercial research
- Collating information, metrics and case studies to support customers wishing to access NIHR clinical research infrastructure and investigators
- Engaging with the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, diagnostics and medical devices industries

## **NOCRI – Support services for research customers**

### **Sign-posting**

- Helping researchers and research funders navigate NIHR infrastructure

### **Research Collaboration Management**

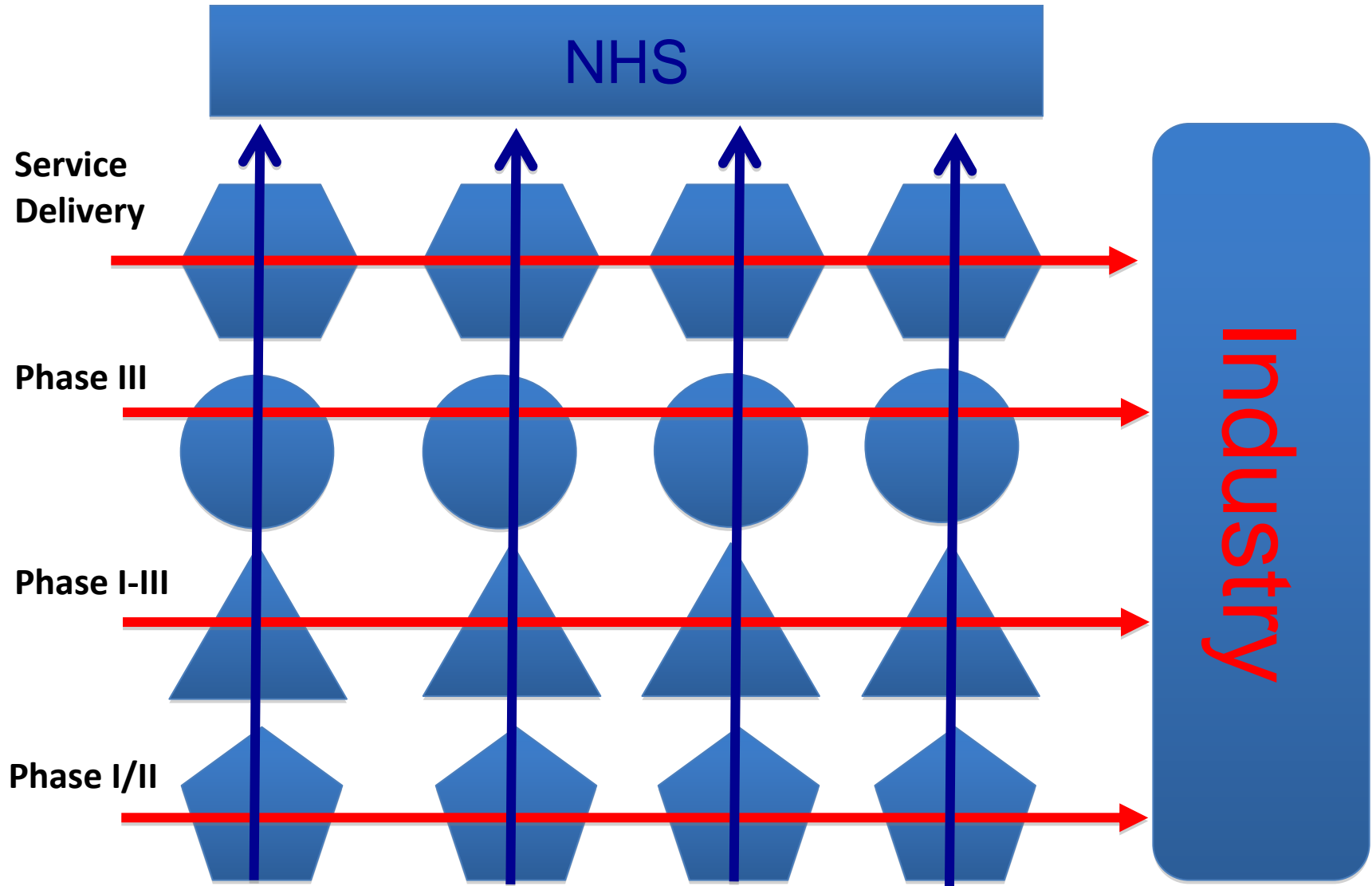
- Actively supporting research collaborations – from finding world-leading expertise in the NIHR, NHS and Universities for research customers, through to facilitating collaboration deals

# NOCRI



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# Biobanks

- We recognise the important contribution well curated biobanks make to clinical research.
- The Department supports UK Biobank but, in common with many other funders, we do not provide funding for other prospective collections of materials solely for the purpose of establishing a tissue/biobank.
- Rather, we support biobanks when they form a vital component of a defined research programme seeking to address a clear scientific question.

# Implications

- NIHR does not fund (*including SSC*) prospective biobanking unless part of hypothesis driven research
- NIHR facilitates biobanking
- Recognition that the NHS presents a unique opportunity for biobanking

## Introducing the NOCRI Team



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