

## REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP

**University of Warwick**

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**Birmingham City Council Adults & Communities Directorate**

**Coventry City Council Community Services**

**Warwickshire County Council Adult Health & Community Services**

**Coventry City Council Children, Learning and Young People's Services**

**Warwickshire County Council Children Young People & Families**

**Commission for Social Care Inspection West Midlands**

**University Hospitals Coventry & Warwickshire NHS Trust**

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# Making Research Count

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

In association with Coventry University

*A regional initiative  
working in collaboration with social and health  
care partners to increase the contribution of  
research to evidence-informed practice*

THE UNIVERSITY OF  
WARWICK

## ABOUT US

*Making Research Count, Warwick* is a member of the National Making Research Count Consortium of Universities, all with a proven track record in social care research and working in partnership with local authorities, NHS Trusts and other agencies. This affords excellent access to a network of researchers and events from across the regional memberships.

### National Objectives

- Improving the dissemination and implementation of research findings.
- Enabling participants from the participating agencies to make sense of research.
- Helping agencies develop their skills in evaluating their existing practices and policies.
- Ensuring that practitioners, managers and service users are involved in setting the research agenda.
- Enabling practitioners, managers and service users to benefit from the outcomes.

## MAKING RESEARCH COUNT WARWICK

As a university / agency collaboration, *Making Research Count Warwick* has particular interest in supporting practitioners' engagement with high quality systematic research evidence and its interaction with wider information and evidence sources. In addition to utilising the work of leading university researchers and substantial research literature, the initiative also benefits from the contribution of member agency practitioner-led research.

Programme activities consider research evidence alongside wider sources and considerations. For example, underpinning societal and professional core values and principles, realities around resources and political contexts, practitioner experience, views and wishes of individual service users and carers. Our aim is to provide participants with opportunities to tease-out practice implications and to develop these into useful knowledge resources for practice.

## PROGRAMME FRAMEWORK

- Regular topic-based conferences, workshops and seminars.
- Hard-copy and e-mail *Updates* of regional research and practice activity.
- Website posting of presentations, write-ups of events.
- Building Practitioner Knowledge and Skills in Accessing, Assessing and Using Research in Day-to-Day Practice – workshops for teams / groups of staff.
- E-Mail Research Enquiry Sign-posting Service; availability of supported follow-up visits to the university, including consultation with lead researcher.
- Support in implementing new Social Care Research Governance Framework requirements.
- Exploring The Knowledge Agenda - workshops for management groups to develop shared understanding, assess strengths and challenges, plan next steps.
- Consultations with lead researchers, to support planning of in-house and external evaluations.

## WEBSITE

Visit our website for further information about:

- Membership Benefits and Subscriptions.
- Forthcoming Programme Activities and Booking Forms.
- Previous Events.

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