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Population Research UK Programme Board

Public note of meeting

The Population Research UK (PRUK) Programme Board, which is composed of representatives from the PRUK funders (ESRC, MRC, Wellcome), HDR UK, and the Chair of the Partnership Group, met on 7 January 2021. This was the second meeting of the PRUK Programme Board.

Progress to date

The Programme Board discussed the PRUK design and dialogue activity to date, which had focused on setting up the governance of the programme, including the establishment of a Partnership stakeholder Group, and the public launch webinar. Over 200 people interested in the development of PRUK have signed up to the mailing list and the launch webinar of PRUK attracted interest from over 140 people. The materials and recording of this event are online at [Population Research UK - HDR UK](#).

The Programme Board discussed the rich source of questions posed by webinar participants and therefore endorsed that a question-and-answer document be published on the PRUK website in due course.

Future activities

The Programme Board discussed the components of the design and dialogue programme, which is set to include online surveys and interviews with data owners, data users and wider stakeholders and will commence in February.

Initiatives that support and enable longitudinal population studies

The Programme Board discussed the landscape of current infrastructures that provide functionality to LPS studies, acknowledging the number of important stakeholders represented within and across the landscape, which will be critical to engage with during the design and dialogue programme.

Types of longitudinal population studies for inclusion in PRUK

The programme Board discussed the inclusion of multiple types of LPS studies to encompass the diversity of the UK population. There would be focus on bringing together large-scale LPS with multidimensional data that had potential to be linked to other datasets and offered original scientific value in cross-study comparisons.

Other research funders with interest in PRUK

The Programme Board recognised the importance of sharing information and seeking input on PRUK from other research funders, government departments and devolved administrations and HDR UK on behalf of the PRUK and its funders will reach out to engage with organisations.

Funder policies

The ESRC, MRC and Wellcome agreed to continue discussions and meetings working towards further convergence in their policies and approaches to supporting LPS.

Annex 1 – agenda

Timing	Item	Papers
3:30 – 3:35	Welcome and Introductions	01. Agenda
3:35 – 3:45	Minutes and action log Papers 02-03	02. PRUK PB_201127_minutes and actions FOR APPROVAL 03. PRUK Programme Board action log FOR APPROVAL
3:45 – 4:00	Programme update and upcoming activity Paper 04-05	04. PRUK Programme Board_programme update FOR INFORMATION & APPROVAL 05. PRUK Partnership Group_201215_minutes and actions_FINAL FOR INFORMATION
4:00 – 4:10	LPS research landscape Paper 06	06. PRUK Programme Board_overview of initiatives FOR INFORMATION & DISCUSSION
4:10 – 4:45	PRUK funder design questions Paper 07-08	07. PRUK Programme Board_designquestions 08. 161220_Launching the development of PRUK webinar slides FOR DISCUSSION
4:45 – 5:00	AOB	Any funder requirements inc. Wellcome strategic funding meeting 19 Jan

Next meeting 3 March