eNurture Third Funding Round

Frequently Asked Questions (January 2022)

Can someone from a non-academic institution be the lead applicant?

No, the lead applicant has to be based at an academic institution or a recognised research organisation (RO). Non-academic applicants, for example from the third sector or a government body, can co-lead projects but the application must clearly demonstrate that the proposed research has been co-produced.

Can there be more than one lead applicant?

Only one person on an application can be named as Lead Applicant. The Lead Applicant is expected to be based at the organisation submitting the application.

Is it possible to include international co-applicants?

Staff based at organisations outside the UK (including the Republic of Ireland) are not eligible to lead an application. They are however eligible to be included on applications as Co-investigators or Consultants. It is important to note that the focus of the project applied for should have direct relevance to the UK.

Our application to the first/second round was unsuccessful, are we able to resubmit the proposal to this round?

Yes, we strongly encourage the resubmission of applications. All lead applicants in the first and second rounds were sent summary feedback from the review panel, so please take account of this feedback when developing your proposal and contact the eNurture Director or Coordinator for guidance on how to repackage or redevelop your proposal where necessary.

Is the submission of an Expression of Interest mandatory?

No, Expression of Interests (EoI) are not mandatory. Submit an EoI if you are unsure whether your project or group is eligible for funding or aligns with eNurture objectives, and/or you need advice on e.g. finding collaborators, youth engagement.

When can we submit an Expression of Interest?
Please submit an EoI by 18 February to allow enough time for incorporating any feedback in the development of your full application.

Are Expressions of Interest reviewed?
EoIs will be looked by members of the eNurture review panel but they do not form part of the full proposal review process. You will receive comments on your EoI within 10 working days of submission.

How important is youth and/or community engagement in the development of the proposal and delivery of the project?
Youth and/or community engagement is a key assessment criteria. Proposals must demonstrate that the views of young people and relevant communities have been taken into consideration in the development of the project and/or will be factored into the delivery of project aims and objectives. For example, if you have consulted young people to inform the design of your project then include information on method and level of engagement and the outcome. Consent from participants must be obtained before you include details of their contributions in your application. If your proposal is not going to include any input from young people or relevant communities at application stage then describe how you will do this if your project is funded.

Where can we access help and guidance on engaging with children and young people?
eNurture has published a Youth Engagement Guide which can be downloaded from our website www.enurture.org.uk The guide was created and informed by young people working with eNurture supported by the Association for Young People's Health, and with comments from pupils and teachers from primary and secondary schools working to promote eNurture objectives. It is a 'living' document that continues to be informed by on-going work with young people, researchers, practitioners, and other mental health professionals working with eNurture. If you wish to consult/work with members of the eNurture Youth Panel on the development of your proposal contact Sui-Mee Chan smmc4@cam.ac.uk in the first instance.

What age range should projects focus on?
Age 5-18 years, representing the focus age group in terms of core eNurture objectives.

How do we find non-academic partners and key stakeholders for our application?
eNurture has a members list which is available to everyone who registers as a network member via our website https://www.enurture.org.uk/join The list consists of eNurture members from all sectors including charities, private companies, NGOs, who have given permission for their details to be shared with fellow members. Registered members are given access to this list to enable them to engage with a range of multidisciplinary experts within the Network and collaborate to develop a proposal for our funding rounds. You will have received an email providing you with the information needed to access this file when you join (if not, please email info@enurture.org.uk).

How will the funding be provided?
Funding can only be awarded to a recognised research organisation, not a person. Payment of funds will be as follows: 50% of the full amount of grant will be paid once the Award Letter has been signed; and the remaining 50% after submission and acceptance by the eNurture Director of the final deliverable/s.

Can salary costs be requested?
Salary costs and associated indirect costs (including estates costs) for lead applicants (and co-applicants) based at a Research Organisation, may be included in the application but should be carefully considered and must not constitute more than 20% of the total requested cost. The salary costs for a research assistant based at Research Organisation DO NOT count towards the 20% cap whereas their indirect costs should be included. Non-academic partners (such as charities, businesses and public sector bodies) can claim 100% of their justified costs. But importantly, this can only be up to a maximum of 30% of total costs.

Early Career Researchers are encouraged to apply. What is eNurture's definition of an early career researcher?
For the purpose of this funding call, we are required to use the definition of an Early Career Researcher (ECR) provided by ESRC (our funder). In recognition of the increasing diversity of career trajectories, ESRC do not provide a timebound definition of 'early career researcher' in order to be inclusive of people with different career paths. Therefore an ECR is someone who has yet to make the transition to being an independent researcher and not yet had the opportunity to lead a research project in their own right.

Can PhD students be included on applications?
PhD students are not eligible to be included on applications. If a student is undertaking study on a full-time basis, it is expected that all their time would be committed to that and they should not be over-committed by taking on full-time or part-time employment.

eNurture funding is primarily for networking and engagement activities, do applications have to indicate what potential funders the team would apply to for further funding?
It would be helpful to show what your plans are to generate further funding proposals and that you have considered where you would apply for further funding to develop your project. A pathway to further funding should indicate what the next steps are and specific funders if known at this stage.

Is there a maximum number of grants awarded to each HEI?
There is no limit on how many applications each HEI can submit.

Do you have to be a member of eNurture to apply?
It is not a requirement but registered members have access to a list of network members, updates on the funding call, events and our newsletter.

Where can I get help with costing the proposed budget?
Please contact the research or finance office at your institution for help with costing the budget for your proposal and completing the required budget template. Specific questions relating to the eNurture funding model can be directed to the Network Coordinator smmc4@cam.ac.uk