

Patient involvement & engagement in research







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PPIE, what it is?

Patient and Public Involvement and Engagement: working **with** patients and the public to shape research and engage with it.

Patient and public involvement and engagement (PPIE) describes the **different ways in which members of the public can inform and shape research.**

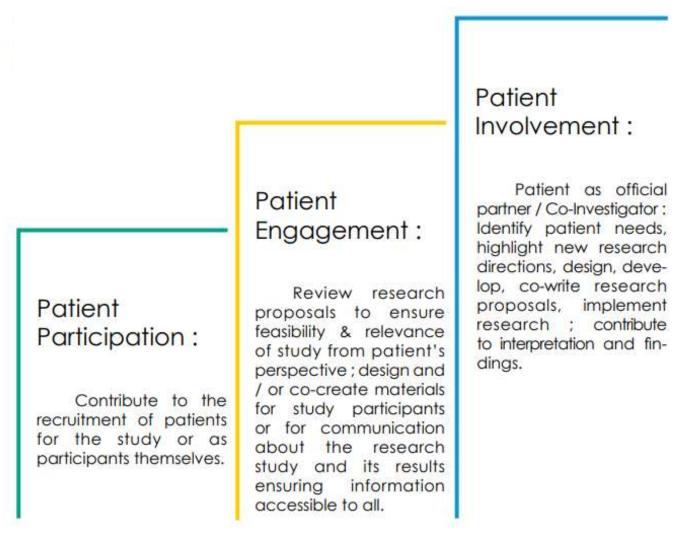
"PPIE is different to research participation where members of the public can directly take part in a study, for example by being given a new treatment as part of a clinical trial." – University of Birmingham

"Patient and public involvement (PPI) entails **research being carried out** 'with' or 'by' members of the public, rather than 'to', 'about' or 'for' them"-National Institute of Health Research

PPIE is for **everyone**.



A continuum of active and meaningful partnership



PROACTIVE

ACTIVE

PASSIVE



Building evidence on diagnostic needs and expectations



EURORDIS & NBS Research





Accelerating Diagnosis for Rare Disease Patients Through Genetic Newborn Screening and Artificial Intelligence





DURATION 5 YEARS



14 COUNTRIES 35 PARTNERS





Rare Barometer Survey on Newborn Screening

CARERS STRONGLY SUPPORT NEWBORN SCREENING

8/10 Carers would have liked the person they care for to be diagnosed at birth

Rare on Air podcast with Iuliana Dimitriu:

Her 7-years-long odyssey for her son to have a confirmed diagnosis of Coffin-Lowry syndrome, and how she thinks that early diagnosis could have improved his health and everyday life.





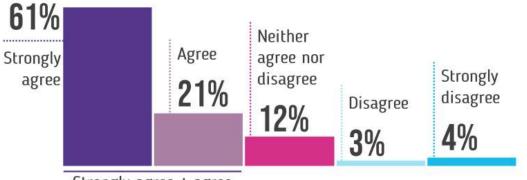
Q: If it is or were possible, I would have liked the person I care for to be diagnosed at birth (agree + strongly agree). N=3,002



Rare Barometer Survey on Newborn Screening

PARENTS OF PEOPLE LIVING WITH A RARE DISEASE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE DIAGNOSIS OF THEIR CHILD AT BIRTH

If it is or were possible, I would have liked the person I care for to be diagnosed at birth - Only parents of people living with a rare disease; n=2,701



Comparison: parents of people living with a rare disease were also more in favour of newborn screening than adults living with a rare disease in a study on a specific condition³.

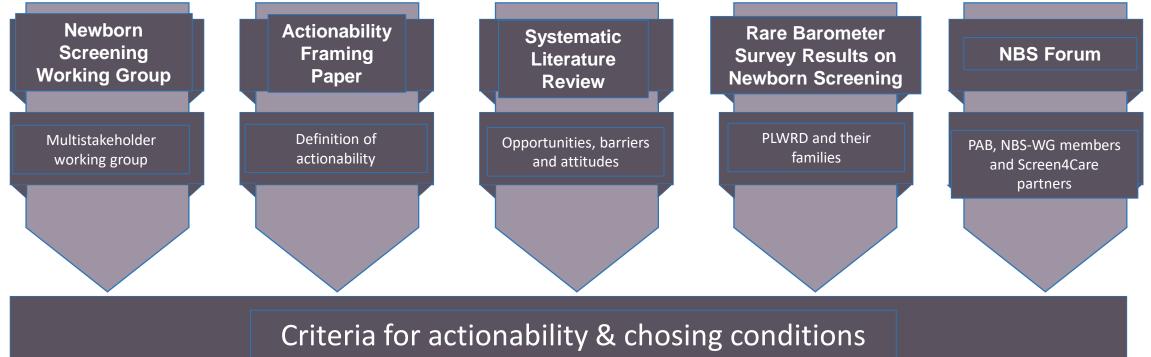
Strongly agree + agree



³ Boardman et al. (2019). Newborn screening for haemophilia: The views of families and adults living with haemophilia in the UK. Haemophilia.



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Areas of Actionability



Groups of actionable diseases – disease characteristics

• Availability of intervention (actions to prevent, delay or reduce the symptoms of the health condition) such as physiotherapy, symptom control (seizure control), prevention of complications leading to a positive impact on the patient's quality of life.

Importance for reproductive choices

• Disease clinical characteristics or inheritance modes that would have an impact on reproductive choice decisions, or could lead to a complicated pregnancy management.

Availability of support

- Availability of Centers of expertise, ERNs, Patient organizations or communities, Availability of a specialised healthcare team
- Access to a tailored education plan, rehab, speech therapy or other supportive care

Research and development

• Research in advanced stages or active clinical development on the particular disease

Pharmacogenetic passport

• Would pharmacogenetic testing for a gene be beneficial?



Mental Health & Wellbeing



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The rare disease community has identified as an **absolute priority the need to look beyond the physiological aspects of rare conditions** and to take concrete **action to address the psychological impacts** associated with these complex conditions (Rare 2030).





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