





National Institute of Academic Anaesthesia Strategy 2023–2028

Vision and mission

Our vision:

To improve the health of patients and the public through research and innovation.

Our mission:

To promote, support and coordinate world class health research and innovation in anaesthesia, perioperative care and pain management in the UK.

Values statement

The National Institute of Academic Anaesthesia is an equitable, effective, efficient and engaging organisation; promoting and supporting equity, diversity and inclusivity with all its activity.

Aims

- To strategically invest efficiently and effectively through the activities of our funding partners and facilitate funding for national and global health priority areas as defined by patients, public, policy makers and the specialty.
- To support and promote career development for students, early-career researchers and developing research leaders.
- To champion and advocate for the importance of research in improving the health of patients and the public; including all forms of innovation and research across the translational pathway.
- To foster and develop partnerships, collaboration and engagement within our healthcare environment.
- To ensure that we operate in an ethical, environmentally sustainable, efficient and cost-effective manner.

AIM

To strategically invest efficiently and effectively through the activities of our funding partners and facilitate funding for national and global health priority areas as defined by patients, public, policy makers and the specialty

We will:

- promote and support continued involvement and engagement of patients and the public in all aspects of research
- encourage and contribute to defining health research priorities in relevant areas
- encourage the awarding of grants in accordance with defined health research priorities eg James Lind Alliance
- support greater alignment of NIAA funding partners' strategic research priorities to maximise efficiency and effectiveness of grant funding
- implement NIAA EDI report recommendations

AIM To support and promote career development for students, early-career researchers and developing research leaders

We will:

- support the early career development of academic anaesthetists, healthcare and scientific professionals who wish to pursue academic training
- work with the Research and Audit Federation of Trainees (RAFT) to support the development of trainee networks through events and associated projects
- work with relevant organisations such as the National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR), Academy of Medical Royal Colleges (AoMRC), the Royal College of Anaesthetists Centre for Research & Improvement (RCoA CR&I), the Association of Anaesthetists and other research funders to further the interests of academic trainees
- communicate and promote research opportunities in line with our values
- facilitate mentorship and support of researchers at all career stages

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We will:

- maintain the reputation and integrity of the NIAA Grants Programme and ensure our continued status as an NIHR portfolio partner and AMRC Peer Review member
- promote and share our world class research into anaesthetic and perioperative practice through events
- support and promote the work of the Royal College of Anaesthetists Centre for Research & Improvement (RCoA CR&I)
- provide resources and funding awards that promote research activity for all
- understand and address the barriers that exist for anyone wanting to undertake research in anaesthesia, perioperative medicine, pain and critical care, especially in relation to equality, diversity and inclusion

AIM To foster and develop partnerships, collaboration and engagement within our healthcare environment

We will:

- develop communications and initiatives with other organisations e.g. NIHR, Medical Research Council (MRC), AoMRC, Francis Crick Institute, Wellcome Trust, other Medical Royal Colleges and research funders
- support research networks (eg RAFT) in the development of networks through events and associated projects
- promote and support the appointment of academic anaesthetists, healthcare and scientific professionals to research funding panels and boards of major funders

AIM

To ensure that we operate in an ethical, environmentally sustainable, efficient and cost-effective manner

We will:

- demonstrate high ethical standards and professional behaviour
- commit to deliver environmental sustainability and value for money in all that we do
- track, share and publicise metrics of NIAA's success

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NIAA Funding Partners

