

## UCD WELLCOME TRUST Institutional Strategic Support Fund (ISSF)

### Network of Excellence Project Management Scheme – Expression of Interest

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#### Background

A crucial barrier to interdisciplinary and translational research is a lack of formal mechanisms that enable integration and co-ordination between disciplines and from bench-to-bedside. A centralised approach to nurturing collaboration will allow new research activity within *Personalised & Translational Medicine*, as well as enabling establishment for the basis of a *One Health* Research Centre.

The ISSF Networks of Excellence scheme aims to facilitate the development of such mechanisms by seeding *project management support* to UCD teams of critical mass. Such support will ultimately enable these research centres to undertake strategic planning and facilitate greater integration, the outputs of which will form the basis for major grant application(s). This will include hosting of regular exchange meetings to spark ideas for integrated research and foster new collaborations across biomedical and clinical domains, as well as the medical humanities.

#### Application Process

We wish to invite any UCD research *centre of critical mass* who are interested in receiving project management support, and who fall under the remit of *Personalised and Translational Medicine*, and *One Health* to register their interest by completing this short expression of interest form and returning it to Dr Claire Kilty, Programme Manager ([issf@ucd.ie](mailto:issf@ucd.ie)) by **5pm Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017**.

The intended output from this process will be to assess the requirements for project management support within the health research community across the university; and to determine which of these research entities would most benefit from support by this funding scheme. Based on these results, it is our intention to fund up to 1-3 project managers over the coming year (for duration of 18-24 months).

*This scheme is open to all medical and veterinary medical UCD research entities of critical mass (within biomedical, clinical sciences, and the medical humanities field).*

<b>Name:</b>
<b>School/Unit:</b>
<b>Email:</b>
<b>Please fully describe your research entity (including research area, collaborative nature of the entity, and description of the team).</b> <i>Max one page</i>
<b>Please fully describe how your research team would benefit from this project management support.</b> <i>Max one page</i>