

Sponsorship Approval

The Research Governance Framework for Health and Social Care clearly states that all research projects must have an identified sponsor.

A sponsor is the organisation that accepts to take on the legal responsibility for the research management, monitoring and or financing the study. Please follow the [Sponsorship flow diagram](#) for steps towards obtaining sponsorship.

A 'Sponsor' is often confused as the 'funder'. A funder provides financial support whereas the sponsor takes on the responsibilities identified above. However, the funding organisation with appropriate resources may also wish to take on the sponsor role.