



Key details

Role: Director of Programmes & Partnerships

Reports to: Executive Director

Manages: Lived Experience Manager (to be hired in early 2024)

Location: Fully remote — flexible location, preferably within 2 hours from CET

Salary: £68k-£75k FTE (depending on experience)

Terms: This role can be full-time or part-time (preferably > 70%); please indicate your preference in your covering letter. The appointment is for a fixed term of three years.

About the IAMHRF

The IAMHRF has a unique mission: uniting mental health research funders around shared practices to accelerate the impact of mental health research. We have over 30 member and partner organisations and our current initiatives include: mapping the global mental health research funding landscape, driving the adoption of common measures and supporting the development of more unified practices around lived experience involvement in mental health research.

Building on our recent successes, we are looking to expand our network of members and partners, and deliver greater impact for them through: **convening** more virtual and in-person events to increase opportunities for knowledge sharing and collaboration; **curating** evidence and resources to inform priority setting and investment in mental health research; **challenging** practice, by promoting the development and implementation of new standards, and **celebrating** mental health research success stories from across the sector.

About the role

Working closely with the Executive Director, the Director of Programmes & Partnerships will manage IAMHRF's current initiatives and help to shape its future priorities.

If you have a deep understanding of emerging challenges and opportunities across mental health research and funding practice, and demonstrable experience of establishing impactful collaborations, we would love to hear from you!



Key responsibilities

Programme management

- Manage IAMHRF's ongoing programmes and cross-funder working groups
- Design and implement evaluation plans
- Project-manage externally commissioned work

Scientific leadership

- Keep up to date with developments in the mental health research *and* funding sectors
- Identify trends and provide scientific input across all activities (e.g., identify relevant topics for meetings, webinars, and blogs)
- Be a visible IAMHRF presence and influence at relevant scientific and policy meetings

Partnership & strategy development

- Build and nurture relationships across the research funding landscape (i.e., with funders, publishers, industry, policy, and professional networks)
- Identify opportunities for new activities, partnerships, and collaborations
- Support the evolution of IAMHRF's longer-term value proposition and strategy

About you

- A confident communicator and relationship-builder with demonstrable experience in building and nurturing effective partnerships across sectors
- Flexible and adaptable in a dynamic work environment
- Strategic and outcomes-focused
- Able to navigate challenges and solve problems effectively
- Able to manage competing priorities and work independently

Qualifications & experience

- Advanced degree in mental health science (PhD preferred)
- Professional experience (ideally 5+ years) in mental health science or related research sector(s); this can be in a not-for-profit, research funding, government, publishing, policy or industry setting
- Able to demonstrate a breadth of interest and knowledge of strategic issues in mental health research *and* funding
- Experience of building and managing multi-stakeholder projects and partnerships
- Demonstrated expertise in developing and implementing evaluation plans
- Experience of line-management is desirable
- Experience in business development and/or fundraising is also desirable

Skills

- Exceptional influencing skills
- Excellent analytical and strategic thinking
- Numerate, with the ability to set and manage budgets and project plans
- Experience with data analysis and visualisation is a significant asset



Application process

To apply, please send a CV (max 2 pages) and covering letter (1 page) to info@iamhrf.org, preferably as a single PDF document.

We will start interviewing candidates from Monday, February 5 so prompt applications are strongly encouraged.