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The NIHR commissions and funds NHS, social care and public health research that is essential for delivering our responsibilities in public, health and personal social services. Their role is to develop the research evidence to support decision making by professionals, policy makers and patients, make this evidence available, and encourage its uptake and use.

The NIHR's Dementias & Neurodegenerative Diseases Research Network (DeNDRoN) is one of six topic-specific Clinical Research Networks in England that support research to make patients, and the NHS, better. NIHR DeNDRoN supports the development and delivery of clinical research in the NHS in the dementias, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, motor neurone disease, and other neurodegenerative diseases.

Scope

In early 2012, Alison led a large industry pathway redesign workshop to DeNDRoN's clinical directors, senior managers and research nurses including training on improvement tools and methodologies

Outcomes:

- Engagement of key staff to rapidly review and redesign the core industry research process map

- Increased staff capacity and capability through training and practical application of process mapping techniques, problem-solving and creativity.