



CONSULTANTS DRIVING INNOVATION ON THE FRONTLINE



Consultant
Innovation
Fund

New Contract. New Ideas.

The Public Only Consultant Contract 2023 (POCC23) came into effect on 8th March 2023.

Within the contract, a provision has been made for Consultants to access an annual fund to support innovation projects and innovative research.

All Consultants who are contracted under the Public Only Consultant's Contract are entitled to access the fund.



What is innovation?

Funding innovation in patient care



IDEA

A proposed problem with a proposed innovative solution.



IMPACT

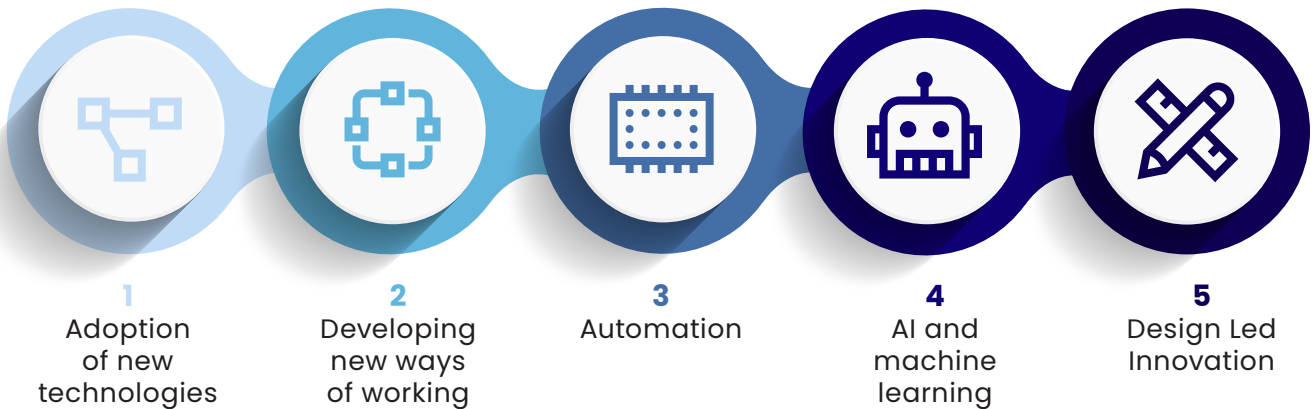
Innovation activity must add value, protect the patient, represent value for money, and compliment 'systems thinking'.



INNOVATION

A novel idea, process, service, technological support or new way of working that represents a 'step change' in the way services are currently delivered.

What types of innovation can be funded?



* This list is not exhaustive.

How does it all work?

The innovation fund is allocated to you to spend on innovation and innovative activity in your clinical setting or in partnership with your colleagues at other settings. Although you generate the idea and formulate the solution, your clinical director needs to sign off on the proposed project. This is important to ensure that your project can be adopted by the organisation and isn't in conflict with other activity or constraints. The HSE Spark Programme is there to provide advice, guidance around innovation practice, regulation and other considerations that any would-be innovators need to know. Spark is also there to help you explore additional elements that might optimise or compliment your work such as professional design input, research and considerations around preparing your successful project for spreading and scaling.



What funding is available?

Per Calendar Year	Individual POCC Innovation Funding	Individual POCC Unused CME	Pooled with other POCC applicant(s)	Pooled with Spark Funding call
Amounts (within calendar year)	Max € 8,000	Max € 12,000	Max € 50,000	Funding limit related to the specific call

* Unused CME can be allocated to the innovation fund.

How do I apply for the innovation fund?

Applying for the innovation fund is easy. Simply complete the dedicated online application form to start the process. A member of the team will respond to you.



Click or scan to find out more.

