Better Trials Make Better Surgeons

Friday 17 June 2016, 12.00—17.00
The Centre, Birchwood Park, Warrington, WA3 6YN

AGENDA:	
12:00	**Registration and Lunch**
13:00	**Welcome and Introduction** *Professor Nigel Bundred, Director of the NWSTC, Professor of Surgical Oncology, University of Manchester*
13:15	**Talks from Surgical Study Leads** • **13:15 - 13:35 Why are Orthopaedic Surgical Trials in the UK generating global interest?** • *Professor Amar Rangan, Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery, The James Cook University Hospital* • **13:35 - 13:55 Urological Surgery Trials: the good, the bad and the ugly** • *Mr Grant Stewart, Lecturer and Consultant of Urological Surgery, University of Cambridge*
13:55	**Talks from new NWSTC CI's** • **13:55 - 14:05 Obtaining funding via a NIHR Doctoral Research Fellowship** • *Mr Bilal Alkhaffaf, Consultant in Oesophago-gastric Surgery, Central Manchester University Hospitals* • **14:05 - 14:15 Hepatobiliary Studies and their importance** • *Mr Hassan Malik, Consultant Hepatobiliary Surgeon, University Hospital Aintree*
14:15	**Talks related to collaboratives** • **14:15 - 14:25 The importance of NWRC in the development of trainees and research** • *Mr Nick Heywood, Chair of the NWRC and Research Fellow, University Hospital of South Manchester* • **14:25 - 14:45 How to maximise involvement from a collaborative** • *Mr Tom Pinkney, Senior Lecturer and Consultant Colorectal Surgeon, University of Birmingham*
14:45	**CSG breakout sessions covering:** • Discussion of trial ideas and potential research questions • Mechanics of setting up studies • Training & Development
16:30	**Key Note Speaker:** • **Less and better surgical research needed: using pilot and feasibility work to optimise trial design** • *Professor Jane Blazeby, Professor of Surgery, University of Bristol*
16:50	**Close** *Professor Paula Ghaneh, Deputy Director of NWSTC, Professor of Surgery, University of Liverpool*