



SCOPING PROJECT COMPETITION

The Music Therapy Charity announces a competition for funds for a scoping project. Applications are invited for project proposals likely to result in large-scale consortial bids for funding to national or international research bodies to investigate crucial and underdeveloped aspects of —or fields in— music therapy research.

Funding

Total costs must not exceed £17K for the duration of the scoping project.

Activity

The aim of the scoping project should be to identify a research focus in an underdeveloped aspect or field of music therapy and develop a collaborative research proposal to investigate it.

Eligibility

Each application to the scoping project competition must involve at least two HE institutions (the lead institution being based in the UK) and may involve music therapy organisations. At least one of the HE institutions involved must have a significant track record of successful research in music therapy.

Timescale

Open Day for queries from interested parties: 22/05/23, 1pm-3pm via Zoom
Closing date for applications: 04/09/23
Start date of project: January 2024

The scoping project should be completed within eighteen months from the notification of the successful bid.

Outcomes:

Expected outcomes may include (but are not limited to); the submission of a large-scale proposal for funding to a major national or international research body; the completion of a study protocol for an intervention; the completion of a pilot study; or the successful procurement of funding to maintain a network capable of developing further collaborative research in one or more significant areas in music therapy.

Information:

All queries to be addressed to Professor Ian Cross at info@musictherapy.org.uk

The Open Day will be held via Zoom on 22/05/23 1pm-3pm. If you would like an opportunity to discuss your project with a panel of members of the Research Committee of The Music Therapy Charity prior to submitting an application please let our Administrator know (info@musictherapy.org.uk) as soon as possible so that we can send you a link to the Zoom session.

Evaluation

Applications will be evaluated according to ratings of:

- applicant and co-applicant track record
- record of research support by the host organisation
- research proposal's
 - quality
 - innovativeness
 - viability
 - national and international reach
 - fit with aims of scheme (e.g. possibility of matched funding, likelihood of proceeding to a larger bid, etc.)
- the appropriateness of resources requested
- satisfactoriness of treatment of ethics & data management