

Knowledge at your fingertips

SCIE's key web resources

- National Social Care Research Register
- SCIE website
- People management website
- Social Care Online

Research Register - introduction

- Background to the Research Register
- How the Research Register works
- Content of the Research Register
- The Research Register toolkit

Research Register - background

Intended to:

- Lack of national database for social care research
- Centralised record of all LA social care research carried out under the RGF framework
- Includes ongoing and completed research
- Contact information
- Link to completed research

Research Register - how it works

- Agreed minimum data set for each project
- Agreed format for submitting data to central database
- Free toolkits available to help LA's to collect and submit data – various options

Research Register - contents

- Organisation name
- Research status
- Title
- Abstract
- Aims and objectives
- Methodology
- Student research?
(undergraduate,
postgraduate - masters or
postgraduate - PHD)
- Includes active service user
involvement? (If yes,
describe)
- Date approved by RGF
- Date approved by ADSS
- Start date
- End date (proposed and
actual)
- Budget
- Funding body
- Link to completed research
- Organisations links
(Sponsor, Lead, Research or
Care)

Research Register – finding information

- Same interface as Social Care Online
- Simple search
- Advanced search
- Browse by topic

Research Register – advanced features

- Bulk upload – using spreadsheet
- Customisable fields – up to 10 user defined fields

Research Register - toolkit

- **Smart Client**
- **Mapping Tool**
- **Web Pages**
- **Spreadsheet tool**

Research Register – smart client

- Smart client – talks to website
 - authenticates users,
 - uploads and downloads data
 - downloads system updates
- Local database –
 - stores own data locally
 - customisable
 - could be further developed locally

Research Register – mapping tool

- Talks to existing local database
- Maps fields to smart client database, which uploads to Research Register

Research Register – Web pages

- Displays local data on a webpage – can be used on website or Intranet
- Can be locally customised

Research Register – spreadsheet tool

- Low tech solution
- Data exported to spreadsheet (or added manually)
- Uploaded to Research Register using smart client or website interface

Research Register - contacts

- To register for the free toolkit or for more information on the national Social Care Research Register please:
- Send an email to salina.bates@scie.org.uk or jez.macdonald@scie.org.uk
- Or call 0207 089 6840

SCIE website - introduction

- www.scie.org.uk
- Redesigned and relaunched 2004
- Focus on accessibility
- Focus on usability

SCIE website – our work

- Adults' services
- Children and families' services
- E-learning
- People management
- Social Care Online
- Social work education
- Stakeholder participation
- Using knowledge in social care

SCIE website – our work

In each section:

- Resources on adults' services
- Current and future work on adults' services
- Events on adults' services
- News on adults' services

SCIE website – our resources

Finding resources and publications

- By theme
- Searching by title or type
- Browsing by title, type or year

SCIE website – contact us

Problems or suggestions for improvements:

- Email webteam@scie.org.uk
- Telephone: 0207 089 6851/6849

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People Management website - introduction

Social care sector suffers from:

- recruitment difficulties
- high staff turnover and
- high levels of absence due to stress

People management website intended to:

improve human resource policies and practice throughout the sector, which will improve recruitment and retention, which will in turn lead to improved services for service users.

People Management website - introduction

Website address:

www.scie-peoplemanagement.org.uk

Two main sections:

- Audits
- Resource directory

People Management website - audits

13 audit tools

- **Recruitment and retention**
- **Employee relations**
- **The employment contract**
- **Health and safety**
- **Induction**
- **Administration and records**
- **Selection and interviewing**
- **Business strategy and planning**
- **Workforce development**
- **Performance management**
- **Employment policies**
- **Ending employment**
- **Workforce planning**

People Management website - audits

Each Audit includes:

- A series of questions
- A results page that tells you how you have done and offers advice about what to do next
- The chance to save your audit so you can do it again at a later date

People Management website - resource directory

15 resource directories

- Strategic planning
- Business planning
- Workforce planning
- Recruitment and retention
- Selection and interviewing
- Employment contract
- Employment policies
- Induction
- Workforce development
- Administration and records
- Employee relations
- Health and safety
- Leadership and management
- Performance management
- Ending employment

People Management website - resource directory

Each resource directory contains:

- Good practice overview produced by SCIE
- Relevant documents
- Relevant organisations

People Management website – contact us

People Management Network:

Network to support organisations in improving their people management policies and practice.

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People Management website

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Social Care Online – the next phase

Phase 2

- Search term highlighting – live now
- Email alerts by topic – live now
- RSS feeds by topic – live now

Social Care Online – the next phases

Phase 3

- Online tutorial – June 2006
- Email search results – July 2006
- Database optimisation – July 2006