



## Ready to improve stroke care? Do you have a project concept for stroke improvement but require funding and support?

### *Bidding now open*

Submit an application now to The South London Cardiac and Stroke Network for the resources you need for your stroke improvement project.



### When?

The timeline for the bidding process is:

From 13 May - Promote bid process opportunity to healthcare organisations across South London

27 May - Deadline to submit *Expression of interest* form for project funding

2 June - SLCSN deliver plans to Department of Health

11 June - Deadline to submit *Funding* application

14-16 June - SLCSN develops preliminary plans for utilisation and partnering with organisations of successful applications

21 June - Notify organisations of awarded funding

Details and application forms are available through our website.

[www.slcsn.nhs.uk/bid](http://www.slcsn.nhs.uk/bid)

### What?

Improvement in stroke services has been a national priority since 2008. Whilst we have made great achievements in acute care and public awareness, there is still work to be done, particularly in stroke prevention and long-term care and support.

The Department of Health (DH) has allocated funding to achieve these goals during the 2010/2011 year as part of the Accelerating Stroke Improvement programme.

The SLCSN is conducting a bidding process so as to bring to reality project concepts from our partner organisations that may be currently be difficult to deliver due to budget and/or resource constraints. These projects will yield sustainable, meaningful change in stroke care across South London, in alignment with the ASI programme.

### How?

Bidders will be asked to submit an *Expression of interest* (EOI) giving a brief summary of the project by **27 May 2010**. This will include the main objectives, high-level deliverables and timeline and how the effort aligns to ASI metrics.

Bidders will then be expected to complete the *Funding* application form by **11 June**.

Applications will be assessed by the clinical lead for the Network, a member of SLCSN and a patient/carer. Those applications that score the highest according to the bidding criteria will be shared with the DH. Organisations will be advised of awarded funding by 21 June.

### Who?

The bidding process is open to providers, voluntary sector organisations, and other network members across South London. There is no restriction as to which level an organisation applies (e.g. PCT, Practice based commissioning group, practice, etc.).