



Strategic Partner Membership Pack



WELCOME TO NIHC

The **Northern Ireland Health Collective** unites voices from across VCSE health, social care, and community wellbeing networks to create meaningful, lasting change. As a Strategic Partner, your organisation will work alongside NIHC to shape policy, share expertise, and foster collaboration between statutory bodies, academia, and the VCSE sector.

PURPOSE OF STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

Strategic Partners bring essential expertise, influence, and networks to NIHC's mission. Together, we bridge the gap between government, research, and community-led health initiatives—ensuring policies and services are co-designed, evidence-based, and impactful.

VISION, MISSION & VALUES

VISION

A society collaboratively working for the positive transformation of health outcomes in Northern Ireland.

MISSION

To act as a thought leader and conduit for improved health outcomes through enhanced collaboration among VCSE organisations and with government partners.

VALUES

- Independent from Government
- Collaboration
- Innovation
- Social Justice & Social Inclusion
- Impact & Improved Outcomes
- Person-Centred
- Advocacy
- Value for Money



STRATEGIC THEMES & OPPORTUNITIES

- **Influence:** Engage in policy development and reform with NIHC and VCSE leaders.
- **Research & Insight:** Partner in producing and sharing evidence that addresses health inequalities.
- **Collaboration:** Participate in cross-sector projects, pilots, and joint initiatives.
- **Capacity Building:** Contribute knowledge and resources to strengthen community health delivery.
- **Knowledge Exchange:** Access NIHC's information hub, strategic briefings, and events.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Direct input into NIHC's strategic priorities.
- Access to multi-sector partnerships and collaborative projects.
- Opportunities to co-host seminars, roundtables, and workshops.
- Recognition as a Strategic Partner in NIHC communications.
- Priority invitations to flagship NIHC events.

ELIGIBILITY & EXPECTATIONS

Strategic Partnership is open to:

- Government departments
- Statutory agencies
- Arms-length bodies
- Academic institutions
- Research collaborations

Expectations: Through being a strategic partner of NIHC there is an expectation that your organisation would:

- Demonstrate active participation in NIHC-led initiatives.
- Promote collaboration to ensure sharing of expertise and resources.
- Promote strategic alignment of NIHC's work within your networks and strategic and/or policy landscape.
- Align with the vision, mission and values of NIHC
- Promote membership of NIHC within organizational structure and across partners.
- Agree to share your logo to represent your membership of NIHC on our social media and other communications.

HOW TO JOIN

1. E-mail Michelle@nihealthcollective.org.uk to discuss opportunities.
2. Complete the Strategic Partner Expression of Interest Form.
3. Await confirmation of your Strategic Partner status from NIHC.