



The AHSN Network **England**
NHS Innovation Accelerator

Recruiting the best innovations in the world

Agenda

- About the NHS Innovation Accelerator
- Recruitment
- Assessment process
- Technical details – how to assess
- Question and Answers

About the NHS Innovation Accelerator

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What is the NHS Innovation Accelerator?

- Supports the uptake and spread of high impact, evidence-based innovations across England's NHS, benefitting patients, populations and NHS staff.
- NHS England initiative delivered in partnership with England's 15 Academic Health Science Networks (AHSNs), hosted by UCLPartners.
- All 15 AHSNs contribute financially to the NIA. This provides bursaries to Fellows and supports programme delivery.

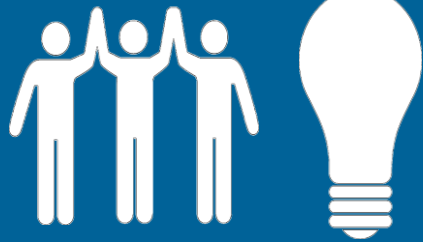


Set up to:

- Help create the conditions and cultural change necessary for proven innovations to be adopted faster and more systematically in the NHS
- Deliver innovation into practice for demonstrable patient and population benefit
- Learn from Fellows' experiences so that others benefit from knowledge generated



A unique Accelerator



Dual focus



**Mature, ready
for spread**



Breadth




Insights-sharing

What this translates into...

- **Insight** into the changing policy context of the NHS
- **Introductions and showcasing** opportunities
- **Navigation** of the innovation and research infrastructure
- **Critical challenge** and support to refine plans through access to expert advice
- **Reputation building:** association with the brand of the NIA and its partners
- **Influencing national policy:** including via the NIA Programme Board, chaired by Professor Stephen Powis, National Medical Director, NHS England

The impact of the NIA

32  **17**
FELLOWS ALUMNI

£ **133.8m**
FUNDS RAISED

414 
NEW JOBS CREATED

2,120 
NHS SITES USING
NIA INNOVATIONS

98 
AWARDS WON

 **32**
INNOVATIONS SELLING
INTERNATIONALLY

Examples of NIA innovations



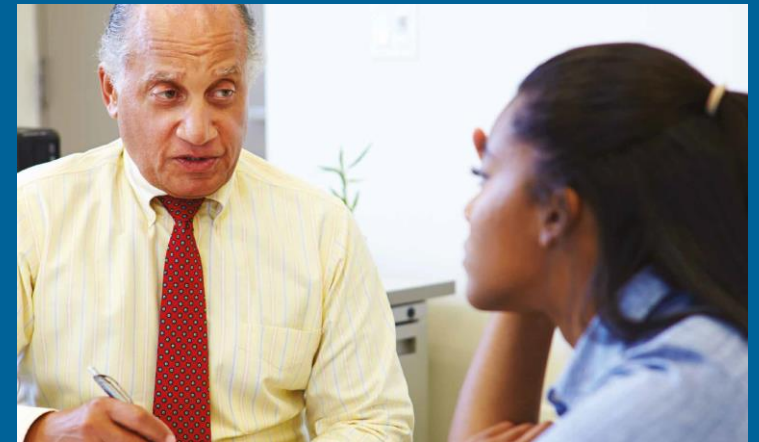
The CATCH app, adopted by 10+ sites, is offering guidance and reassurance for parents to provide self-care for their children at home, without visiting the hospital



i-Thrive: improving delivery of mental health services for children, young people and their



Avoidance of harm to new mothers by using Episcissors-60



ORCHA is supporting HCPs to find and recommend the best apps to patients via localised health app portals

NIA – Fellows highlights

We asked our 2019 Fellows:

**What has the NHS Innovation Accelerator
done for you?**

Resources: My Story series: impact of innovations for real people

Arlene Rowe



“Since being on the ESCAPE-pain programme, my life has changed massively... to not think ‘ouch’ every time you do anything... or to worry that you won’t be able to get onto the pavement safely when crossing the road.”

Anna Doherty

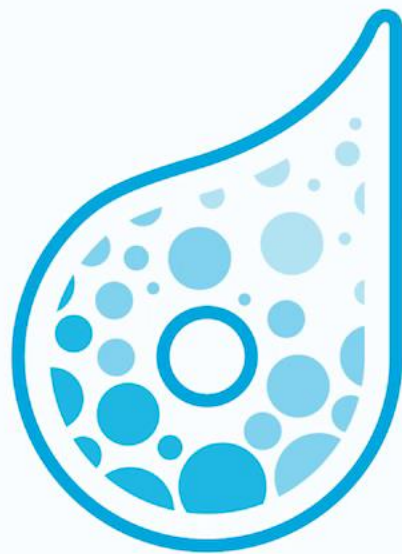


“I was trying to carry on as best I could....., But my eating disorder was taking over my life. Then my doctor referred me to the FREED programme - First episode Rapid Early intervention service for Eating Disorders.”

Clare Murray



"I have white coat syndrome... so for me, the HaMpton app was really excellent because it meant that I could take control of my blood pressure readings and I could do them at home."



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Recruitment



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Recruitment

This year are recruiting up to 12 exceptional individuals with evidence-based ready-to-scale innovations that meet one or more of the commitments detailed in the NHS Long Term Plan:

- Acute services
- Cancer
- Cardiovascular disease
- Diabetes
- Improving services
- Maternity and neonatal health
- Mental health and learning disabilities
- Primary and community services
- Respiratory care
- Stroke
- Workforce
- Other

What are we looking for?

Applicant

- Set of strong values & a passion for learning & sharing insights for the benefits of entrepreneurs and the wider care system
- Can commit two days per week to the NIA

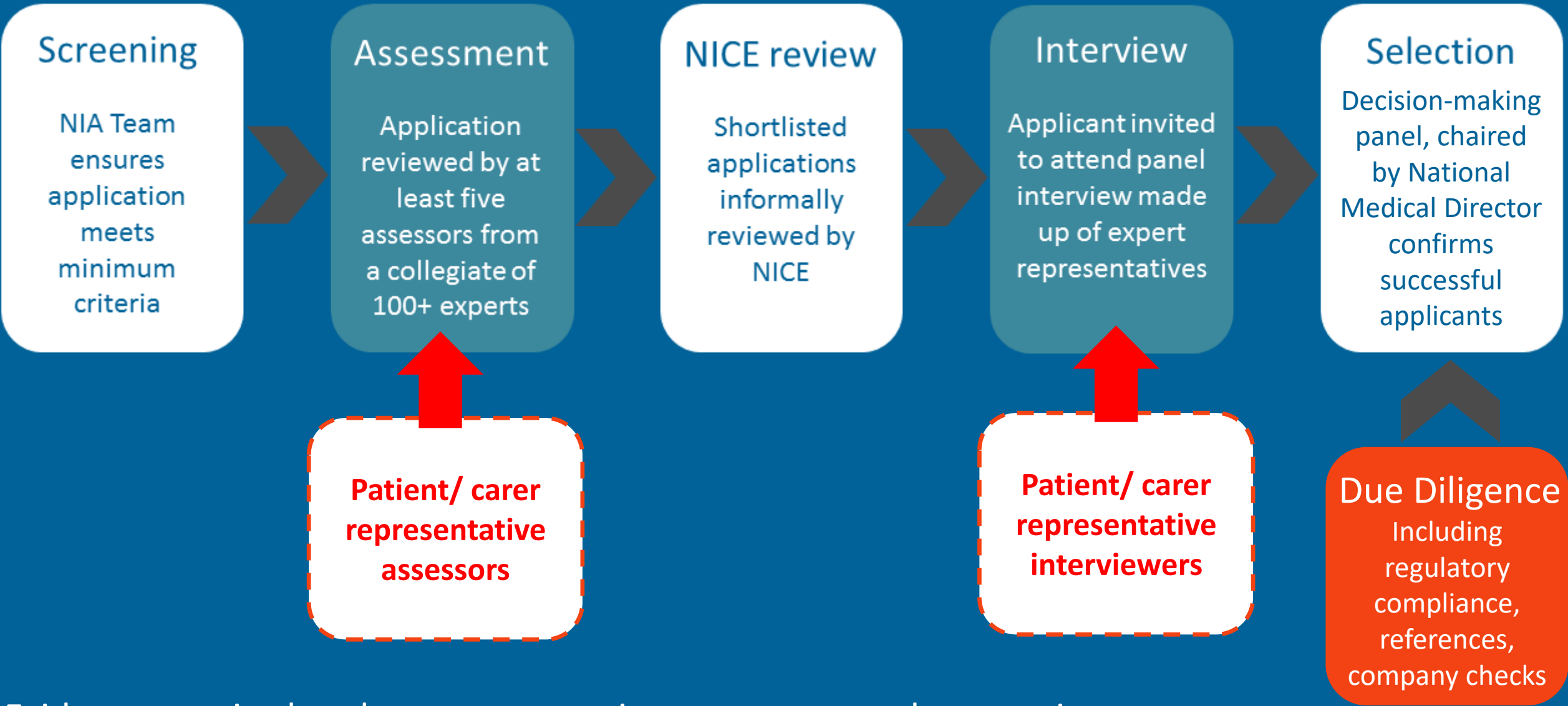
Innovation

- Addresses at least one of the LTP priorities
- Evidence-base showing delivery of better patient outcomes & reduced cost
- Sufficiently mature (including satisfying all necessary regulatory, intellectual property and ethical frameworks)

Scaling Plan

- Convincing, ambitious plan for how you will scale your innovation for patient benefit

Rigorous application and selection process



Evidence required to demonstrate patient outcomes and cost savings

Assessing the applications

Applicant
"Fellow"

Innovation

Strategy



Assessing the applications

Innovation

- Is there a clear need?
- Will it make an impact?
- Have patients/ public been involved in its design?
- From your experience, will it work?

Completing the assessment

- To benchmark how well applications have been completed read through your batch of applications
- Each section can be scored from '0' to '3'
- Please use your judgement and experience to comment on the innovation
- Include constructive advice and ideas for improvement
- Your comments need to help us understand your score
- Assessor comments are collated anonymously to provide written feedback to every applicant
- Lastly an overall recommendation of 'Yes' or 'No' for the applicant to go through to interview
- Only applicants with a majority 'yes' recommendation are invited to interview

Scoring the application

Score	Description	Guidance
0	Poor response	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Poor responses to all questions within this element, failing to demonstrate the level of ambition for the NIA and the stated call requirements• Responses are vague or incomplete and fail to address the questions
1	Average response	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Average responses to questions within this element, only partially meeting the level of ambition for the NIA and the stated call requirements• There are substantial gaps or shortcomings
2	Good response	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Good responses to all questions within this element, largely meeting the level of ambition for the NIA and the stated call requirements• Good response - covers most aspects of the question but there are some gaps
3	Excellent response	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Excellent responses to all questions within this element, clearly meeting the level of ambition for the NIA and the stated call requirements• Excellent responses - complete, concise and addressing all aspects of each question with clear evidence/ examples

Assessing applications

- Applications are on the SurveyMonkey Apply system
- You will be sent an email link to the system directly from SurveyMonkey Apply
- You will need to choose a password to access the applications you have been assigned
- Online assessment period from 4 November to 1 December
- If need hard copies of the application forms please let us know
- All assessments need to be completed **by midnight on Sunday 1 December 2019**

Conflicts of Interest

- The assessment process needs to be fair so potential conflicts and interests need to be declared.

Direct Conflict	Indirect Conflict
You have been directly involved in the application	You work for or with the company but had no knowledge, involvement, or do you stand to directly benefit from the outcome of the application
You are part of the project or feel in anyway you are not able to independently and objectively assess the application	You previously worked for an individual or organisation named in the application
You feel you could benefit (directly or indirectly) from either scoring the application well or scoring it poorly (for example as a direct competitor)	

How to complete your assessments



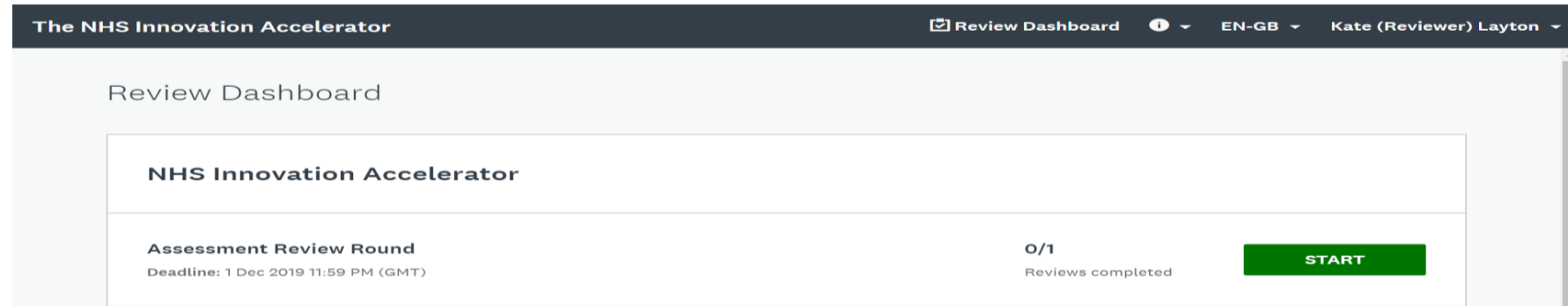
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Accessing your applications

- You will receive an email from noreply@mail.smapply.io with a link to the NHS Innovation Accelerator portal
- Click on this link and follow the instructions to enter your chosen password
- Your login details are your email address and password
- If you need to reset your password click on the Forgot your Password option on the sign-in page
- When signed into the site you will be directed to the landing page
- Click on Continue to site link that appears in the Welcome box
- SMApply classifies Assessors as Reviewers so portal refer's to the Reviewer role rather than an Assessor role.

The 'Reviewers' Dashboard



- Displays the number of NIA applications assigned to you and the number completed to date
- Please click on the Start button and the list of applications appears on the next screen

The 'Reviewers' Dashboard

NHS Innovation Accelerator

Review Dashboard Peter Simon

← Return to admin

You are currently logged in as: Peter Simon

NHS Innovation Accelerator
Assessment Review Round

Continue reviewing

Actions	ID	Full Name	Last Submitted	
<input type="checkbox"/>	0000000003			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> VIEW ...
<input type="checkbox"/>	0000000004			<input type="checkbox"/> START ...
<input type="checkbox"/>	0000000005			<input type="checkbox"/> START ...

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- Applications are listed by Application ID
- Click on the Start button on the right side of the application ID to review the application

How to assess the application

The screenshot shows the NHS Innovation Accelerator interface. At the top, there's a header with 'NHS Innovation Accelerator' and user information 'Review Dashboard Peter Simon'. Below that, a navigation bar shows 'Return to admin' and 'NHS Innovation Accelerator - Assessment Review Round'. The main content area is split into two panels. The left panel has two tabs: 'SUMMARY' and 'APPLICATION'. A red arrow points to the 'APPLICATION' tab. Under the 'APPLICATION' tab, there are fields for 'ID: 000000004', 'Full Name: 000000004', and 'Last Submitted:'. The right panel is titled 'Your Review' and shows a progress bar at 0% with the text 'Loading draft...'. Below the progress bar, there's a section titled 'NHS Innovation Accelerator (NIA) Assessment' with a thank you message and a link to the 'Assessor Guide for Applications'.

- Application details are on the left hand side of the screen and the assessment form on the right
- There are two tabs on the application side select the Application tab to view all sections of the application form

How to assess the application

The screenshot shows the 'Your Review' section of the application form. It includes a declaration of conflicts of interest with two radio button options: 'No Conflict of interest registered' and 'Yes there is a Conflict of Interest'. A red arrow points to the 'Yes there is a Conflict of Interest' option. Below this is a 'Scoring Grid for Sections 1 - 3' table.

Score	Guidance
'0'	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Poor responses to all questions within this element, failing to demonstrate the level of ambition for the NIA and the stated call requirementsResponses are vague or incomplete and fail to address the questions

- The assessment form you need to complete is on the right hand side
- You will first need to declare if there is or isn't a Conflict on Interest
- Scroll down the page and click on 'Save & Continue' to move to the next page to begin your assessment

Completing your assessment

The screenshot displays the 'Your Review' interface for an NHS Innovation Accelerator (NIA) assessment. The top navigation bar includes 'The NHS Innovation Accelerator', 'Review Dashboard', 'EN-GB', and 'Kate (Reviewer) Layton'. The main content area is split into two panes. The left pane, titled 'APPLICATION', shows the 'Section 1. APPLICANT' section with two sub-sections: 'C1. Applicant's Pitch' and 'C2. Experience and expertise'. The right pane, titled 'Your Review', shows the 'NHS Innovation Accelerator (NIA) Assessment' progress bar at 50% and the 'Section 1: Applicant' review instructions. The instructions state that questions relating directly to the 'applicant' are covered within Section C (questions 1 - 4) of the application form and that reviewers should consider the one-minute video and the content of all responses. The review criteria are listed as follows:

- Strong values - focusing on what matters to patients rather than his/her self or institutional interests, and someone who regards partnership working as an essential requirement
- Genuine 'hearts and minds' reasons for applying which resonate with you emotionally and intellectually
- Willingness to work with their peers, researchers and others to effectively capture and share key lessons

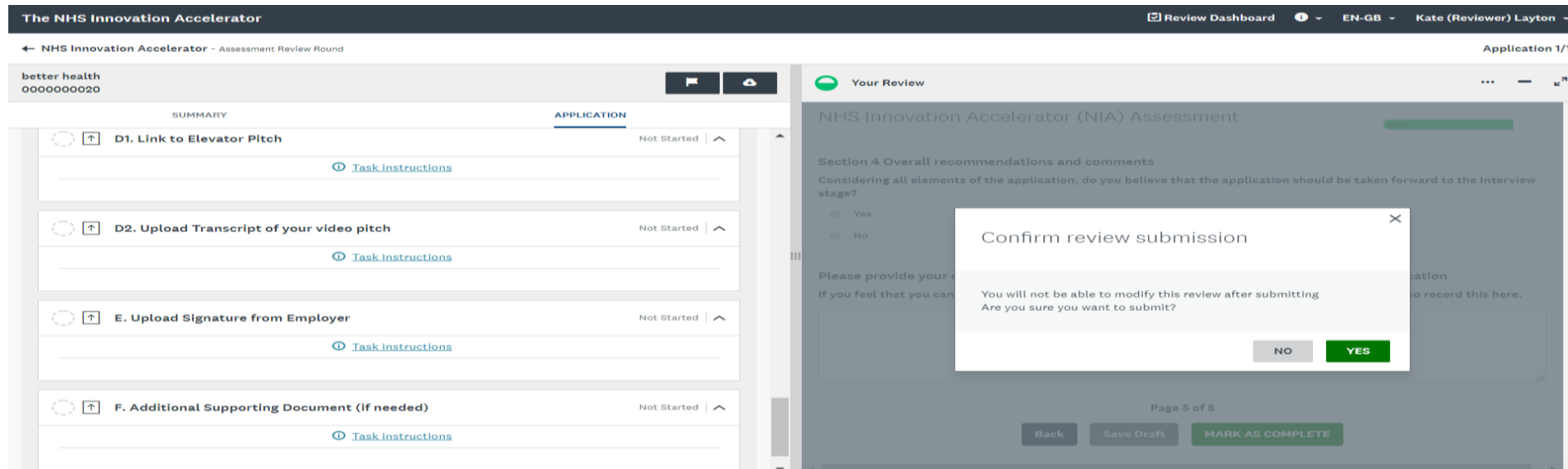
- The assessment form is in 3 elements - Applicant, Innovation and Scaling
- There is a final part for Overall recommendations and comments
- Only Section 2: Innovation is compulsory as all Assessors must complete

Entering your assessment

The screenshot shows the 'Your Review' section of the NHS Innovation Accelerator assessment form. The interface is split into two main panes. The left pane, titled 'APPLICATION', contains three sections: 'Section 1. APPLICANT', 'C1. Applicant's Pitch', 'C2. Experience and expertise', and 'C3. Support needs'. Each section has a text input field with 'test' entered. The right pane, titled 'Your Review', contains a text area with instructions: 'There is no 'ideal' or 'required' level of seniority for the NIA - the aim is to find the right people with the right values, approach, skills and experiences. Job titles are not a selection criterion. It is essential that the applicant is able to commit to the time required to participate in the learning programme and to deliver their innovation into practice into the NHS in England. Even where a fellow is applying as part of a team, the lead applicant will need to confirm adequate protected time to participate, and through this to show commitment to the aims of the programme.' Below this is a dropdown menu for 'APPLICANT SCORE' with options 0, 1, 2, and 3. The score '3' is selected. A text box below the dropdown is labeled 'tell us why you have awarded the applicant this score'. At the bottom of the right pane are buttons for 'Back', 'Save Draft', and 'Continue'. The page number 'Page 2 of 5' is also visible.

- Each section of the form has an overview of the criteria the NIA require
- As you progress through the form, select the appropriate score (0-3) from the dropdown list and enter your comments in the text box
- You can at any point 'Save Draft' or 'Continue' to the next section or move 'Back' to edit previous pages

Submitting your assessment



- To complete the assessment click on the 'Mark as Complete' button
- Select 'Yes' to submit your assessment
- **Please note that you will not be able to modify the review after submitting**

Additional features

The screenshot shows the 'Review Dashboard' for the NHS Innovation Accelerator. The header includes the title 'The NHS Innovation Accelerator', a 'Review Dashboard' link, user information 'EN-GB' and 'Kate (Reviewer) Layton', and a 'Continue reviewing' button. The main content area displays 'NHS Innovation Accelerator' and 'Assessment Review Round' with a 'Review deadline: 1 Dec 2019 11:59 PM (GMT)'. Below this is a table of applications with columns for 'ID' and 'Full Name'. Two applications are listed: one with ID '0000000018' and another with ID '0000000020'. The first application has a 'START' button, and the second has a 'CONTINUE' button. A dropdown menu is open for the second application, showing options: 'View application', 'Download application', 'Download my review', and 'Export all reviews (PDF)'. At the bottom, there are pagination controls showing 'Showing 1 - 2 of 2', '10 per page', and 'Page 1'.

- From the Reviewers Dashboard you can 'Download Application' or
- 'Download my review' as pdfs to read offline
- **To comply with data protection laws, please ensure all downloaded files are permanently deleted from your files when you have completed your assessments**

Questions?

Thank you

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