Focus Group on patient’s involvement in research
Report by the convener, Dr Mari Campbell (Clinical psychologist)

As some of you may remember, we recently sent an email around asking for volunteers to take part
in a focus group about patients' involvement in research within the department. The reason for this
group was
 to help
 us, as a Clinical Team, better understand
 how patients experience being asked
about,
 taking part in and
 receiving feedback about
 research. This was
 so that we could think about

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 To put the research undertaken in the Department in context, for example circulating information
about research being undertaken outside of the hospital
 and about how work at the Royal Free and
UCL complements knowledge
-building at other centres of excellence and
 on treatment practicalities.
As mentioned previously, we are aware that patients have different experiences and that the above
group may not be entirely representative of all patients' views. If you have any thoughts, ideas or
feedback
 about anything you have read above please let us know by emailing Mari Campbell on
mari.campbell@nhs.net. Also if you would be interested in taking part in further
 focus groups or to
get involved in other tasks that
 support research undertaken within the department, please
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