



Society for Studies in Organizing Healthcare

Early Career Researcher Workshop, London (King's & Bayes Business Schools), Nov 5-6th 2026

(Application closing date 15th September 2026)

Are you an early career researcher (e.g. PhD student, post-doctoral researcher, Lecturer, or still getting your research career started)? Is your research area, broadly, focused on organizations and management in health care? Are you interested in having a research career that advances your field of research and has practical impact on health and care systems? If so, please attend the Society for Studies in Organizing Healthcare (SHOC) Early Career Researcher workshop on 5-6th November.

The 2-day workshop will have high profile keynotes, diverse interactive sessions, a paper development session, and panels that aim to support your efforts to advance your research career. We anticipate about 50 workshop participants. Highlights include:

- A keynote by [Sir David Sloane](#) will draw on his extensive leadership experience as an NHS Trust CEO, NHS London Director, and COO of NHS England
- An academic keynote by [Professor Ann Langley](#) (HEC Montreal/ Warwick Business School) on doing and publishing qualitative research
- An academic keynote by [Professor Jenny Shand](#) (UCL) on building an impactful research programme in Applied Health Research
- A [pecha kucha session](#) where early career researchers present their work, in an accessible way, to a diverse audience including those involved with doing and reporting on leadership and policy issues in the NHS
- A panel of editors providing advice on publishing, including:
 - [Clare Fitzgerald](#), Associate Editor, *Public Administration*;
 - [Ann Langley](#), Former Deputy Editor, *Academy of Management Journal* and former Editor-in Chief, *Strategic Organization*;
 - [Andrea Mennicken](#), Co-Editor-in-Chief, *Accounting Organisation & Society*;
 - [Anirban Mukhopadhyay](#), former Editor-in-Chief, *Journal of Consumer Psychology* and Associate Editor, *Journal of Marketing*;
 - [Amit Nigam](#), Deputy Editor-in-Chief, *BMJ Leader*, and Senior Editor, *Organization Studies*;
 - [Anastasia Sergeeva](#), Senior Editor, *Organization Science*;
 - [Rene Wiedner](#), Co-Editor, *Strategic Organization*.
- A paper development workshop where you can get feedback on research from peers and faculty mentors, including editorial panel members, Graeme Currie, Sarah Woolley, Karla Sayegh, and Davide Nicolini!



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- An interdisciplinary panel discussion about organising end of life, death and dying.

Am I eligible to attend?

The bias is towards yes. If you are an early career researcher (defined broadly) and doing work related to organizations and healthcare. You could be coming from a broad range of educational backgrounds (e.g. business school, health services research, medical school, nursing school, or more), and we do not have a strict definition of what constitutes an ECR. The aim of this is to be inclusive and developmental.

Great!!! How do I apply?

Please prepare the following:

- A one-page covering letter explaining where you are in your academic journey and why you are interested in the workshop
- A current CV (ideally up to 2-pages)
- A 5-page extended abstract of research in progress for the mentoring session
- A one paragraph pitch for a [pecha kucha](#) presentation (note, we will select some but not all pecha kucha pitches for actual presentation)

Send your application to shocecrworkshop@gmail.com by September 15th.

Where, exactly, will the workshop be?

That's a good question. Sadly, university timetabling processes prevent us from booking rooms this far in advance. However, one day will likely be at Kings Business School on the Strand, and one day will be at Bayes Business School near Finsbury Square. There will be a conference dinner on the evening of November 5th (kindly funded by SHOC). We will explore getting a group rate at a convenient hotel for those of you who are coming from out of town.

What if I don't think I can afford to come?

There is no fee for the workshop. However, it is an in-person workshop in London. SHOC has some funding for bursaries to partially cover some participants' expenses (up to £500). We will prioritise bursaries for people with the most need. If financial constraints might prevent you from attending, then please include a short paragraph laying out your case for financial support as part of your covering letter

What if I have more questions?

Please direct further questions to Amit Nigam (Amit.Nigam.1@city.ac.uk) and Gerry McGivern (gerry.mcgivern@kcl.ac.uk)



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