

CumbriaMed Research Webinar Series



The **CumbriaMed Research Webinar Series** showcases leading health researchers working in and with Cumbria. Each session features two expert speakers, followed by a Q&A. Open to staff, patients, relatives, and the public, the series explores how local research is shaping the future of care.

Webinar
Topic:

Technology-Assisted Healthcare



Register at:
tinyurl.com/pcsm-webi13

Join on Zoom: **Thursday 24th September 2026**
at 12:30-13:30

Talk 1

"Robotic-Assisted Surgery: Current Practice and Future Ambitions"

Mr Chris Rao

*Consultant Colorectal
and General Surgeon,
NCIC, and Honorary
Clinical Research Fellow,
Imperial College London.*



Chris is a consultant surgeon at the Cumberland Infirmary who trained at Imperial and completed fellowships including minimally invasive surgery. His research looks at new surgical technology and practice, and he has also helped champion research and innovation in North Cumbria.

Talk 2

"Technology in Dementia Care"

Prof David Sharp

*Professor of Neurology
and Centre Director, UK
DRI Care Research &
Technology, Imperial
College London.*



David is a neurologist and researcher working on how brain science, imaging and technology can improve the lives of people living with dementia. He leads the UK DRI Care Research & Technology centre at Imperial, which develops new approaches to diagnosis, monitoring and support in dementia care.