AMRC charities play a vital and unique role in the UK’s research sector

AMRC charities invested £1.9 billion in medical research in the UK in 2019

This makes up half of publicly funded medical research nationally

De-risk complex research enabling other funders to advance it to deliver benefits

Address unmet needs by funding research shaped by patients, carers and the public

Immediate impact of COVID-19 on AMRC charities

During the first phase of the pandemic...

The medical research charity sector has experienced a 38% loss in their fundraising income

On average, AMRC charities have furloughed 34% of their staff, resulting in cut services at a time of increased demand

On average, AMRC charities have cut or cancelled 18% of their spend on research in universities

70% of clinical trials and studies funded by AMRC charities were stopped, paused or delayed

An estimated 148,000 patients were unable to participate in these stopped, paused or delayed clinical trials and studies

Many AMRC charities are concerned these clinical trials and studies will be unable to restart due to insufficient funds

Long-term impact of COVID-19 on AMRC charities

The sector estimates it will take approximately 4.5 years for their medical research spend to recover to normal levels

AMRC charities project an average 41% decrease in their medical research spend over the next year, leaving a £310 million shortfall

During this time, AMRC charities will have less funding to support researchers, NHS staff, patient communities, and research that saves and improves lives