

## **Nesta Launches Healthier Lives Data Fund for Digital Projects Benefiting Scotland's Citizens**

Through the Healthier Lives Data Fund, Nesta is in search of bold and ambitious projects that empower Scottish citizens with data. The fund will support innovative digital technologies, such as mobile apps, chatbots and wearables that make data available and useful, helping people to lead healthier and more independent lives.

Grants of up to £30,000 over nine months for selected projects are available in this initial call. A follow-on funding pot of up to £120,000 may be available depending on the success of the initial projects.

Supported projects will also benefit from Nesta's direct advice and support, including user-centred design and project delivery, as well as Nesta's wider network of partners and expertise. The Scottish Government will also provide capacity-building support to each of the projects including data access, data governance, access to networks, etc.

The funds can be used for technology development, direct project costs, staffing, evaluation, programme and business development, and any other programme expenditure approved by Nesta.

A range of legally constituted UK organisations will qualify for assistance, including health and social care organisations, private companies, social enterprises and charities. Projects must be delivered in Scotland for the benefit of people living in Scotland.

**Applications are now being accepted with a deadline for Expressions of Interest of 14 December 2018.**

**For more information please go to:-**

**<https://www.nesta.org.uk/project/healthier-lives-data-fund/>**