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Innovation for a healthier future

Local inventions and ideas in healthcare are being celebrated by NHS Nottinghamshire County this week, as part of National NHS Innovation Week (27 April – 1 May).

Over the last 60 years the NHS has seen some extraordinary innovations; from the first test tube baby to heart transplants.

This week it has been announced that £220m is going to be invested nationally into innovation over the next five years.

However, innovation does not have to be big and complicated. It can range from the small and practical steps, which together can lead to a significant change.

Brian Hancock, Information Officer from NHS Nottinghamshire County is a prime example of this.

He has developed a software system called RaDOS (Research and Development Operating System), which provides a practical solution to the recording and tracking of information.

Basically, it is a great way of putting research data into one easy and accessible place.

Colleagues from around the country have been so impressed by RaDOS that it is now used in NHS trusts nationwide.

Brian said: "It's great that the organisation has supported my idea and I know it will continue to support the vital role innovation plays in providing high quality care for all."

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