



What it is

Innovate to Save is a new partnership between Welsh Government and Y Lab (itself a partnership between Cardiff University and Nesta), to accelerate innovation in public services in Wales.

The programme is ambitious - seeking to tackle some of the most complex issues currently facing our public services - and at the same time generate cashable savings.

The 'Innovate to Save' model is new, blending different kinds of finance and intensive support to achieve this goal.

What we're doing

Innovate to Save runs across three phases

Pre-Application Support

February - May 2017

Helping to develop high-quality, innovative applications

Briefing sessions - providing information about the programme and a chance to meet the team

Practical workshops - to provide advice, tools and support for ideas in development

Support from the Programme Delivery Team - to facilitate new partnerships, critique and develop ideas and provide guidance and information about the programme

Research & Development

July 2017 - January 2018

Enabling, prototyping, testing, evaluation and iteration of novel, risky and ambitious ideas

Grant funding between £5,000 and £15,000

Research and innovation support from the Y Lab team

Non-financial support and workshops covering a range of topics including, modelling savings, capturing and analysing data and managing organisational change

Implementation

February 2018 onwards

Supporting the implementation, evaluation and scaling of new ideas that show the capacity to improve services and generate savings

Interest free, unsecured loan finance

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