EPSRC Research Relevant to Ageing and Disability

- Overview of EPSRC
- Funding for Ageing and Disability related research
- Other relevant funding opportunities
Research Councils

Office of Science and Technology

EPSRC

BBSRC
ESRC
Engineering & Physical Sciences Research Council
MRC
NERC
PPARC
CCLRC
Planned expenditure 2002/3

£498 million
Funding Mechanisms:

- **Responsive Mode**
  - Healthcare Panel

- **Managed Mode**
  - EQUAL Programme
  - Future Joint Council Programme
The EQUAL Programme

Aims of programme:
Address the needs of the ageing and disabled population

- **Multidisciplinary research**
  - Physical science/engineering
  - Social/health/medical science

- **Collaborative research**
  - Intermediaries, industry, healthcare providers, charities etc.

- **Research with a strong user focus**
  - Involving older people and disabled people
EQUAL Research

- Transport/mobility
- Accessible Environments
- Inclusive Design
- Assistive Technology
- Smart Homes
- Rehabilitation Engineering
34 individual projects – total value £5.4M
Projects ranging in value from £30,000 to over £300,000
Network for EQUAL launched 13th November 2001 - see www.equal.ac.uk
EQUAL Portfolio Call 4

- Inclusive Design for Getting Outdoors (I’DGO)
- Supporting Independence. New products, new practices, new communities
- Investigating enabling domestic environments for people with dementia (INDEPENDENT)
- Smart Rehabilitation: Technological Applications for Use in the Home
- Transport
- Inclusive Design
Support for International Collaboration

- **Visiting Fellowships**
  - Up to 12 months salary and T&S

- **Overseas Travel Grants**
  - <£20k T&S

- **Bilateral Research Workshops (N+N Meetings)**
  - Travel & accommodation overseas
  - UK meeting expenses
Other Funding Opportunities

- **Postdoctoral Mobility**
  - physics $\Rightarrow$ engineering
  - engineering $\Rightarrow$ biology

- **Partnerships for Public Awareness (PPA)**
  - Call for proposals – deadline 5 Sept 2003
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