

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Training Hub Newsletter



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Welcome to the first Hampshire and Isle of Wight Primary Care Training Hub newsletter!

We are delighted to bring you the first edition of our new monthly newsletter, designed to keep primary care colleagues across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight (HIOW) connected with the latest education, training and workforce development opportunities.

The HIOW Primary Care Training Hub is here to support you, your team and your organisation with all your workforce education, training and development needs. Whether you are looking for professional development, support for learners and educators, help to build workforce capability or opportunities to connect and learn with colleagues, we want to make it easier for you to find the information and support you need.

Published during the first working week of each month, our newsletter will bring together relevant news and updates, resources and guidance, and forthcoming events and CPD opportunities in one accessible place. We hope it will become a useful and practical resource for everyone working across primary care in HIOW.

This first edition also comes at an exciting time for primary care education across the region, with the development of a single South East Primary Care Training and Education Department, supported by four locally focused Training Hubs aligned with their Integrated Care Boards. This approach will enable us to benefit from greater regional collaboration while continuing to respond to the needs and priorities of our local HIOW workforce.

The South East Primary Care Training and Education Department will be led by Professor Chris Warwick, Primary Care Dean, who brings extensive experience and a strong commitment to primary care education and the contribution that multiprofessional teams make to patient care.



Professor Chris Warwick

Here in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, the Training Hub is led by Libby MacKenzie (Training Hub Lead) and Dr Saima Faizi (Associate Dean). Together with the wider Training Hub team, we look forward to working alongside primary care colleagues across HIOW and supporting the continued development of a confident, skilled and thriving workforce.

We hope you enjoy our first edition. Please do share it with colleagues, and let us know how the Training Hub can support you.

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News and updates from the training hub

Hampshire and Isle of Wight General Practice Nurse Conference

The Training Hub team is proud to celebrate the success of our first General Practice Nurse (GPN) conference, *Women's Health: Practice Nurses Supporting Women*. Delivered in partnership with the University of Winchester and Mid Hants Healthcare, the event brought together 80 general practice nurses from across the system to further develop their knowledge of women's health and care.



Melinda (UoW), Justine (MHH) and Angie (Training Hub LEL)

The programme was shaped by local GPNs and featured leading voices including Dame Lesley Regan (globally renowned expert on gynaecology) and Tina Backhouse (from Menopause Mandate), alongside more than 40 stallholders showcasing women's health support and services. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with delegates describing the conference as "excellent" and "amazing", and one nurse saying it delivered everything they had requested and more.

Most importantly, 80 GPNs are now better informed and trained to support women. This milestone reflects the power of partnership, listening to local need and creating learning that makes a practical difference.

Supporting Learners and Supervisors

New Educator Development Fundamentals Framework

This new framework supports the development of healthcare educators across all NHS professions. It sets out nine core capability areas that describe the skills, knowledge and behaviours needed to deliver high quality education, supervision and assessment, including: supporting safe and effective care, promoting inclusive learning environments, developing digital capability and engaging in CPD. The framework offers a shared approach to educator development and provides a practical tool for individuals and organisations to:

- Identify personal learning and development needs as an educator or supervisor
- Support appraisal, professional development and career progression conversations
- Inform workforce planning and educator development initiatives
- Help commissioners and employers shape education and training specifications

As primary care continues to expand its role in educating and supporting the future workforce, this framework provides a valuable reference point for ensuring educators are equipped with the capabilities needed to support learners and deliver high quality educational experiences.

[Read the Educator Fundamentals Framework](#)



National Education and Training Survey

The [National Education and Training Survey \(NETS\)](#) will launch on 6 October and will be open for eight weeks. South East stakeholders including primary care placement providers, Trusts, ICBs and HEIs are invited to attend a promotional session that will cover:

- Changes to the survey and questions from last year
- Inclusion of the Educator Voice survey
- Promotional materials and useful tips

7 October, 11:00 – 12:00 - [joining link](#)

Please direct any queries to [Karen Exell, NETS Project Officer](#)



Webinars for Practice Educators

A new series of webinars for practice educators, supervisors, assessors and anyone with an interest in supporting learners in the workplace. Covering topics such as co-production, inclusion, assessment, quality, placements, AI and feedback, these sessions are designed to support and enhance learning environments across healthcare settings. Join via the links below; recordings and resources will be available on [NHS Futures workspace](#)

- **5 October** 11:30 - 12:30 [Failing students effectively and compassionately](#) with Dr Carolina Gonclaves, University of Portsmouth
- **13 November** 12:00 -13:30 [Successful placements: case studies across AHP courses](#) with Lucie Rochfort, Health Sciences University
- **1 December** 13:00 – 14:00 [AI for practice educators: changes in regulation](#) with Dao Tunprasert, University of Brighton
- **26 January** 13:00 – 14:00 [Reciprocal feedback between learners and educators](#) with Zoe Oram, University Hospitals Southampton NHS Trust

National Digital Clinical Placement offer for the Community and Neighbourhood pre-registration nursing workforce

The Digital Clinical Placement (DCP) Manchester Model team, in partnership with NHS England, are continuing to develop a two-week simulated Community and Neighbourhood clinical placement, providing learners with structured exposure to the breadth of care delivered across community and neighbourhood settings. The one-week Recognising Dying and End of Life Care placement is also making progress. These placements are designed to support the mobilisation of the future nursing workforce into community and neighbourhood settings, aligned with the ambitions of the NHS 10-Year Plan and mapped to nursing standards of care. There has been an exceptional response from more than 30 HEIs, with requests for over 3,000 learner places. As the project was initially commissioned to support 300 learners, options are being explored to scale the offer.

Progress is on track to provide an initial, limited allocation of places to HEIs who have expressed an interest in the January and March 2027 Community and Neighbourhood cohorts. A dedicated one-week Recognising Dying and End of Life Care placement will also be available in March 2027. The HEI handbooks for both placement offers are being finalised and will be issued soon, alongside details of placement allocations and next steps.

To learn more about the DCP Manchester Model and the wider development of the programme, each HEI has been invited to send a representative to the National DCP stakeholder event, in Manchester on 23 October. For more information, email the-christie.educationevents@nhs.net

Cultural Awareness for Educators, and Principles of Inclusive Clinical Leadership Practice

In a collaboration with the University of the West of England, NHS England's EDI Education & Training team have launched two free one-hour e-learning resources on the [NHS Learning Hub](#).



Cultural Awareness for Educators - Designed for educators and healthcare professionals across clinical and non-clinical settings, this resource supports more inclusive teaching and learning in classrooms, simulation, supervision and workplace based education.

Principles for Inclusive Clinical Leadership Practice - This resource helps healthcare professionals understand workforce inequalities and apply inclusive leadership approaches that can improve staff experience, wellbeing, belonging and patient care.

Both resources were developed through national collaboration, research, focus groups, and input from people with lived experience, clinical leaders, and education specialists.

CPD, Training and Development Opportunities

Level 3 Violence Prevention and Reduction for strategic specialists

Violence Prevention and Reduction is a key NHS priority, as referenced in the [NHS Staff Standards](#). Register now for cohort 3 of the Level 3 Award in Violence Prevention and Reduction (VPR) for strategic specialists. This Royal Society for Public Health (RSPH) regulated qualification, is fully funded by NHS England.

Open to: VPR strategic leads in primary care, NHS Trusts and ambulance services; staff with senior operational oversight for violence reduction; leaders supporting frontline staff with high prevalence of violence and abuse; and wider system partners, e.g. in policing. This qualification equips leaders with skills to understand, prevent, and respond to violence and aggression in the workplace, through public health and trauma informed approaches, with a focus on staff and patient experience.

Course format: four online training sessions, followed by 44 hours of study. Learners complete a workbook which is assessed by NHS England and scrutinised via RSPH.

Register by noon on 5 October: [Registration form](#)
Direct any questions to: england.se.staffexperience@nhs.net

Senior Research Leader Programme Cohort 5 – Nurses, Midwives, AHPs, Pharmacists and Pharmacy Technicians

The Senior Research Leader (SRL) programme aims to empower participants by unlocking their research potential and enabling them to play a crucial role in shaping and embedding a research active culture within their organisations and beyond.

- **Duration:** The cohort will run from April 2027 to March 2030
- **Eligibility:** You must be an NMC/GDC registered nurse or midwife, an HCPC/GOsC AHP or a GPhC registered pharmacist or pharmacy technician, working within an organisation funded by the DHSC – [full eligibility information](#). Applications are particularly welcome from individuals from diverse health and social care backgrounds who possess strong research leadership and networking skills, as well as innovative perspectives
- To learn more visit [NIHR](#) or contact srl@nihr.ac.uk **Apply by 7 October**

Oncology for Primary Care – delivered by CPD Oxford

14 October, online

A one-day update to comprehensively cover oncology for primary care. Programme includes:

- Update on cancer pathways & guidelines
- Oncological emergencies in primary care
- Managing treatment toxicities in the community
- The role of psychology in oncological community care
- What makes a good oncology referral
- Palliative oncology in primary care
- Late effects of radiotherapy
- Post radiotherapy sexual function
- The acute oncology service



Course organiser: Dr Rebecca Johnson, Oxford University Hospitals NHSFT.

Book now : www.cpdoxford.com/booking Cost: from £30 CPD points: 5

Join the South East Digital Health Research Community of Practice

This welcoming, member-led community will bring together nurses, midwives, allied health professionals, clinical academics, researchers, educators, and digital health professionals interested in improving care through innovation, evidence and collaboration. The community will provide a space to:

- connect with colleagues across practice, research and digital teams
- share ideas, challenges and opportunities
- strengthen links between digital and research colleagues
- turn good ideas into better care, outcomes, quality and patient safety

Join us and help shape this new community: [South East Region Multi-Professional Digital Research Community Sign Up](#)

The launch meeting will be held on 6 October at 14:00 – 15:00

South East Systems Leaders Peer Network and Learning Programme

This programme provides practical support to help you lead collaboratively and support teams in complex, evolving environments. Participants will explore how to:

- lead effectively in complex and changing systems
- use power, process and influence to drive meaningful change
- engage and mobilise people through change
- work effectively in and with neighbourhoods
- sustain change and respond to challenges

Designed for NHS and non-NHS professionals across the South East who lead or support collaborative working at neighbourhood, place or system level. The programme consists of five workshops running from **28 October to 10 March**, delivered by **Debbie Sorkin, National Director of Systems Leadership at the Leadership Centre**. [View the full programme and register your place](#)

Direct any questions to: england.setalentandleadership@nhs.net

Events

NHS Forest Conference 2026 : Nature at the heart of sustainable healthcare

15 October, online

[The full conference line up has now been announced](#), including:

- Bringing nature inside through VR
- Infection prevention and nature connection
- How to evaluate and make the case for nature
- Listen to a tree with the Deep Wood project
- Partnership working
- Nature, health and community



[Tickets are £5](#) / or free for those otherwise unable to attend by emailing

PCPA Excellence in General Practice Pharmacy Awards 2026

The PCPA Excellence in General Practice Pharmacy Awards are open to all pharmacy professionals working in or with general practice across the UK. The awards celebrate the individuals and teams whose dedication, expertise and innovation are making a lasting difference to patients, colleagues and the wider profession.



Whether you're delivering outstanding patient care, leading service improvements, championing sustainability or driving innovation, this is your opportunity to showcase your achievements and gain national recognition. Nominate yourself, a colleague or your team and help us celebrate the best in general practice pharmacy.

[Enter your nomination by 12 October.](#)
