Who are we?

The Greater Manchester NHS Careers & Engagement Hub is an inspiring organisation aimed at improving the information and support available to people across the Greater Manchester region that may be aspiring to work in the NHS or looking for careers opportunities in the NHS and healthcare.

Hosted at Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust, the Hub actively works in partnership with Careers Ambassadors from across the 12 NHS trusts within Greater Manchester. The Hub provides a unique opportunity for local people, schools, colleges, students, employment support organisations and education and training providers to find out more about the educational and employment opportunities offered within the NHS. The Hub also provides information about NHS careers, signposts enquiries and coordinates staff involvement and presence at local careers and engagement events.

Below is a quick overview of how the Careers Hub can support you and your organisation:

What are the Careers Hubs aims?

- To widen awareness of NHS Careers and pathways – working to ensure that students, communities and education & training professionals are aware of the depth of opportunities available in the NHS and the routes into them.
- To engage with people of all ages, supporting them in many different areas of accessing information related to careers in healthcare and the NHS.
- To be a single point of contact for both learners, schools, colleges and other outside organisations wishing to find out about careers in the NHS. As well as supporting such organisations in gaining the support of our Career Ambassadors at careers events they have planned throughout the year.
- To organise NHS Careers events, inviting schools, colleges and organisations that have registered with us, by registering it enables you to keep in touch with what the Hub has going on throughout the year.
How do we do this?

- **Central Point of contact** - Acting as a central point of contact for careers in the NHS, organisations can register with us by emailing us Careers.Hub@mft.nhs.uk once registered there’s a really simple process to enable you to inform us of any career engagement events that you have planned.

- **NHS Careers Ambassadors** - We have a knowledgeable team of NHS Careers Ambassadors across Greater Manchester, our Ambassadors work within a wide range of professional backgrounds and are keen to support careers events in order to promote the many roles in Healthcare.

- **Student support** - Students and learners can contact the Hub directly by emailing us too, we can give advice and signpost in areas such as roles in the NHS and the entry requirements needed, looking for NHS vacancies online, applying for roles in the NHS, work experience and volunteering opportunities that may also be available.

- **NHS Events** - The Careers Hub plans and organises many events throughout the year, inviting schools, colleges and organisations to attend the planned events, bringing along students to engage in interactive workshops and activities in order to learn more about the many careers that are available to them. Here’s a great example of the type of events we host: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HkvvVJ-VSII&t=12s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HkvvVJ-VSII&t=12s)

- **Class room based workshops** – The Careers Hub also regularly visits schools and organisations across GM to deliver class room based workshops to students and learners that have an interest in working in healthcare. The workshop topics include looking at the different roles in the NHS, as well as the skills, values and behaviours needed to work in healthcare.

- **Careers Hub Website** - The NHS Careers Hub have launched a great website which provides a key resource for students and professionals, there are many resources available via our website such as;

  - **Role profiles** - showcasing a large library of many careers in the NHS
  - **NHS apprenticeship guide** – an introduction to apprenticeships in the NHS and how to apply for them
  - **NHS Job vacancies** and web guides to use to support when applying for roles via the online application procedure
  - Course finder – a great resource to find out the entry requirements and necessary qualifications needed if any, for the 350 roles available in the NHS
  - **Short videos** that can be used as a great introduction to some of the benefits of working for the NHS these work really well in presentations or lessons where NHS careers are being discussed.
Why register with us?

- To enable us to keep you up to date on events taking place
- To let us know about events that you have planned so we can coordinate our Careers Ambassadors to support your event where possible
- Students and professionals can contact us with queries in regards to working in the NHS, as well as being signposted to information in regards to volunteering and in some cases work experience opportunities too

Ok, what’s the next step?

- Contact us here at the Hub in order to register your organisation with us, letting us know about any events that you have planned Careers.Hub@mft.nhs.uk
- Take a look on our website for lots more information http://gmcareershub.nhs.uk/
- Please direct your students and learners to our website as well as encouraging them to contact us here at the Hub if they have any questions at all in regards to roles in the NHS and the different pathways they can take to support them to a career in the NHS and healthcare.

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

A few facts to leave you with:

- 77% of learners we’ve worked with stated they were interested in a career in the NHS during evaluation
- When asked if our events and workshops improved their knowledge of NHS Careers learners rated us an average of 4.33 out of 5
- When asked if our events and workshops were interesting learners gave us an average rating of 4.23 out of 5
- 100% of CEAIG and teaching professionals surveyed after requesting our support with careers events stated they would recommend the hub to other colleagues
- 100% also stated they would invite the NHS to future events
- The word cloud below gives an illustration of the most popular responses from colleagues when asked to describe our service using one word: