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HEALTHCARE SCIENCE

NOTICE BOARD

Welcome

Clinical Scientist Expressions of Interest 2023

The Expressions of Interest process is now open for any department who may wish to host a NES funded supernumerary Clinical Scientist trainee from September 2023. The process has been revised from previous years, as there is an expectation of more bids. We welcome applications from all branches of Healthcare Science for Clinical Scientist training posts including areas like Clinical Physiology.

Existing NHS staff are encouraged to follow “equivalence” routes to achieve Clinical Scientist registration.

- Deadlines: Stage 1 outline bids by **2/9/22** and final Stage 2 detailed bids by **30/9/22**.
- Submit bids to **HCS@nes.scot.nhs.uk**
- Visit our HCS Turas Learn for further information on how to apply (click [here](#))

Clinical Scientist Equivalence NES application fee support - OPEN



NES Healthcare Science application fee support for those seeking to go through equivalence within the 2022-23 financial year is now OPEN until March 2023. This scheme is for any Healthcare Science Practitioner interested in Clinical Scientist registration, and who has some post-qualification experience that covers the standards described in Scientist Training Programme Equivalence pathway.

Further information of this offer of funding including how to apply is detailed in our HCS Turas Learn page (click [HERE](#)). See page 2 for details on drop in sessions below.

OVERVIEW:

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- Clinical Scientist Equivalence Bursary Support Update
- Events and Communication
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- Annual report 21-22
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NES Events 2022

The NES HCS team have been supporting a series of webinars covering various aspects of our offerings.

Our next Webinar event is;

"Human Factors in Healthcare Science" on Friday 19th August (12:00-1:00pm). This webinar will explore the discipline of Human Factors (or Ergonomics) and how it relates to our work within Healthcare Science.

It will include the following:

- An overview of the principles of Human Factors (or Ergonomics)
- The importance of a Human Factors approach to patient safety and quality improvement
- Examples of Human Factors considerations being applied in practice
- Short Q&A panel discussion with the speakers

Please [CLICK HERE](#) to register.

Annual Report 21-22

Available Now!!

Our annual report for April 2021-March 2022 detailing our year's activity is now available and published on our NES Website and on our Turas Learn page. We would like to thank our colleagues for their contributions and engagement. To view our Annual Report [click here](#)

Survey regarding future NES Healthcare Science events

We are currently conducting a short survey to determine whether there is sufficient appetite for a return to in-person events, even if they were part of a hybrid model which also incorporated virtual elements. We have received a good response so far and thanks to all of you who have completed it. The survey will close on Friday 19th August @ 17:00, If you would like to take part in our survey, [CLICK HERE](#) to complete our MS Form.

Equivalence Drop in Sessions by the



Further to our bursary support and guidance available on Turas Learn, if you are considering applying for Equivalence and want to find out more about the application process there are drop-in sessions available as Microsoft Teams meetings. You are welcome to join when you can, the meetings will be open for one hour. They are not formal meetings, rather an opportunity for you to ask a quick question to the AHCS directly and have your answer straight away.

- Thursday 18th August – 12pm
- Tuesday 13th September – 1pm
- Wednesday 19th October – 4pm
- Friday 18th November – 10am

visit the Academy for Healthcare Science for further details and meeting links ([Click here](#))

SAVE THE DATE!



We are now in a position to offer in-person events again, starting with our annual Trainees and Supervisors Event. Our event will be hosted virtually also including a hybrid delivery at COSLA on the 9th February.

We will be in touch to update our programme for the event in due course. Please take the opportunity to participate in our survey mentioned above to inform us of what content you would like to see at our next event.

Save the dates for your diary on the;

8th February to the 10th February 2023.

Our CPD offer

TURAS LEARN - By you and for you:

Online training guidance and wider CPD learning material from NES Healthcare Science



We need your help to continue to develop our CPD offer and Identify learning gaps in HCS. Do you have some learning or know of a gap in knowledge in your speciality? Then get in touch now HCS@nes.scot.nhs.uk and we can develop the host of TURAS Learn.

CPD and e-Learning catalogue

For a comprehensive catalogue of all our currently available CPD and e-learning resources which are hosted here within our NES Healthcare Science pages on Turas Learn please visit our page for further details ([click here](#))

Please note you must be logged in to Turas Learn to access these resources

Dates for the diary



We have several interactive workshops scheduled between now and the end of the year for our 3 learning programmes (Early Years leadership, Train-the-Trainer and Training-in-Difficulty):

*Register for these workshops through Turas Learn, but please note that registration is only available once you have completed all prior components of the respective learning programme

Workshop	Date/Time	Registration Link
Train-the-Trainer	Friday 26th August (13:00-14:00)	CLICK HERE*
Training-in-Difficulty	Tuesday 27th September (13:00-14:00)	CLICK HERE*
Early Years leadership	Friday 28th October (13:00-14:00)	CLICK HERE*
Train-the-Trainer	Friday 25th November (13:00-14:00)	CLICK HERE*
Training-in-Difficulty	Tuesday 13th December (13:00-14:00)	CLICK HERE*



See the following link to a variety of resources on Healthcare Science TURAS Learn page - [Link](#)

Our assurance of Training

Training Centre Accreditation

Thirteen centres have successfully completed the Centre Accreditation process this quarter, with another seven centres having started the process. We appreciate everyone's participation and we have been very impressed with the standards evidenced within recently assessed departments.

The process has highlighted possible areas for improvement in some of the training centres and NES are currently assisting with the implementation of action plans within two training centres. It is uplifting to see a positive change in the standard of training across Healthcare Science as a direct result of our Centre Accreditation process.

Twenty-one centres currently hosting trainees are yet to respond to the request in July for completion of the online Microsoft Form. We appreciate that the form is detailed, and some centres may still be working through their response. Reminders will be sent out within the next few weeks, and we would appreciate it if these centres could work with us to ensure the process is completed.

ARCP and Training Plans 2022

We will be in touch with all current trainees and registered supervisors in September to request completion of the ARCP and Training Plan process for 2022. Up to date training plans and annual reviews of competency are vital for all trainees, both to ensure appropriate training progression and maintain morale. We would appreciate communication from trainees and/or supervisors if there are any issues which preclude completion of either the Training Plan or ARCP process. We understand how busy HCS departments are, and we want to work with you to ensure appropriate trainee support is in place.

Confidential Trainee and Supervisor Survey

We will also be in contact with all trainees and supervisors to request completion of the annual confidential surveys. This is your chance to highlight any issues or requirements. All forms are confidential, but if there is something you would like the NES HCS team to assist you with there is also the option to record your details and we will be in touch to see how we can help. Please use this opportunity to communicate directly with us, we have a supportive role for both trainees and supervisors and we are happy to help in any way we can.

Exit Survey

It is important to record the subsequent career path of our trainees after completion of their training. An Exit Survey will be sent out to all trainees who have completed or are due to complete their training in 2022. We will also send the request to their supervisors as we realise that some trainees may have moved from their training department. NES have a duty to commission HCS training, for the benefit of the HCS departments and the wider NHS, and we would therefore appreciate your assistance in gathering this data.



See the following link to a details of our Quality Assurance of training on Healthcare Science TURAS Learn page - [Link](#)



Useful Resources from NES

TURAS Learn Healthcare Science Page - [Link](#)
NES Healthcare Science website - [Link](#)
To apply for NES Training Centre Recognition - [Link](#)
Upcoming Events/What's On page - [Link](#)
Contact the team via email at HCS@nes.scot.nhs.uk

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Join our mailing list

Following the GDPR implementation, we would encourage recent trainees and NHS recruits in healthcare science to join our Mail Chimp mailing list. Or subscribe with [LINK](#)

Please email HCS@nes.scot.nhs.uk to be included or for comments on what you have read here. Our list is used occasionally for NES Healthcare Science alerts like this HCS Notice Board; it is not shared with third parties.