**Cheshire and Mersey Training Hub Apprenticeship Update (TH)**

* Designed to showcase the current offer of Traineeships within the NHS. Including innovative alternatives and virtual delivery of these work placements and how NHS employers can work in partnership. Employer funding incentives of up to 10 x £1000 available and increased flexibilities in terms of bespoke programme development, Traineeships are an excellent addition to your workforce development plans.
* For more information please email : talentforcare@hee.nhs.uk

HEE Traineeships

* Further resources have been added the Healthcare Apprenticeship Standards Online (HASO) website to help guide practice through the levy process. These include an updated FAQs section which can be found [**here**](https://haso.skillsforhealth.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021.03.24-Levy-Transfer-FAQs.pdf)**.**
* Access to organisations who wish to support non-levy paying organisation with 100% levy transfers. EOI forms for receiving organisations can be found [**here**](file:///%5C%5Cuc-uk1-fs-03.xnhsuk1.nhs.uk%5CHome%5CBollington%5Cfaye.horobin%5CDesktop%5C2021.03.24-Levy-Transfer-Expression-of-Interest_Recieve-Levy-v4.docx)**.**

LEVY Transfer Resources

* Incentive payments have increased to £3000 for all apprentices starting from 1st April 2021 to 30th September 2021. This is paid directly to the employer to be used to support any costs incurred from employing an apprentice. More info can be found [here](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/incentive-payments-for-hiring-a-new-apprentice)
* Non levy paying employers can now make up to 10 reservations for apprenticeship funding for employment starting in the 2021 - 2022 financial year for up to 6 months in advance. Information can be found [here](https://help.apprenticeships.education.gov.uk/hc/en-gb/articles/360011655679-Non-levy-employer-reservation-levels)

Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) Update

* Training Grants are currently only available for starts before September 2021 - this should be applied for ASAP for those practices wanting to take part in the current RNDA drive. Please contact your HEE Regional Apprenticeship Manager at gemma.hall@hee.nhs.uk for further details. Funding for future starts has yet to be confirmed.
* The University of Cumbria has announced their RNDA programme. Details of funding, course overview, supervision and assessment are being announced via webinar on 12th May 1pm - 2pm which you can register for [here](https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=K5Gn_5ewMUGcD9DoB1Wyq_6nqdFfxWNEtrNXSKPWNitUMk1YOFVLWjFSSDNVUDU1SVhTQkEzVjc3Ni4u)

Registered Nurse Degree Apprenticeship

* T levels are a new 2 year qualification for 16-19 year olds combining classroom learning and on the job experience creating an equivalent of 3 A-levels.
* T-Levels have recently been developed in Healthcare and Healthcare Science and include a 45 day placement with an employer as a Healthcare Trainee.
* The courses are currently being run by Cheshire College South & West for more information please see attached flyer.

T- Levels

* The Nursing Associate is a new regulated nursing role developed to support the Registered Nurse; currently the role is only in England.
* The two-year training programme is at foundation degree level and incorporates theory for the TNAs to apply to clinical practice. The training enables TNAs to come together as a diverse group of adult learners from a variety of different health, social and voluntary care organisations including mental health, acute trusts, community settings, nursing homes, hospices, and GP practices. Nursing Associates are registered and regulated by the Nursing & Midwifery Council.
* The aims of the role are to support the career progression of HCSWs/HCAs and to increase the capacity and capability of the nursing workforce by ensuring that the right person with the right level of skills and education is delivering the right care to the patient.
* Further info on the role can be found [here](https://www.hee.nhs.uk/our-work/nursing-associates) and [here](https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles/nursing/roles-nursing/nursing-associate) the apprenticeship standards can be found [here](https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/nursing-associate-nmc-2018/)

Trainee Nurse Associate (TNA)

**Please consider where there might be opportunities to support and engage your wider Care Community.**

**If you would like help to develop your workforce plans or to discuss these offers please contact Faye Horobin - Cheshire Training Hub at** ecccg.cheshiretraininghub@nhs.net