**NATIONALLY AVAILABLE TRAINING PLACEMENTS**

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| 'Nationally Available Training Placements' (NATP) offer Public Health Specialty Registrars (StRs) opportunities to acquire specific additional or contextual experience at a national level and develop specialist leadership knowledge and skills.  |

These placements will be listed on the Faculty website to signpost Registrars to these organisations. The local deanery processes for approval of a Registrar request for undertaking these placements apply.

The Faculty of Public Health will add placements to the list which will meet the following criteria.

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| **Criteria:** The Placement must offer unique training opportunities which are not available locally It is a GMC approved placementThe host organisation approves Application is supported by the local heads of school / training programme directorThe placement is Advertised to all registrars nationally with a fair selection process |

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**SECTION 1: CONTACT DETAILS**

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**SECTION 2: PLACEMENT DETAILS**

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| **NAME OF THE ORGANISATION**  | UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) |
| **ADDRESS** |
| PORTON DOWN: BRISTOL:Manor Farm Road 2 RivergatePorton Down Temple QuaySalisbury BristolSP4 0JG BS1 6EHLONDON:10 South ColonnadeLondon E14 4PU |
| **IS THIS IS A GMC APPROVED PLACEMENT**  |  Yes**[x]**  |
| **PLACEMENT DURATION** | 12 months (6 months considered)[x] Registrars may request placements longer than 12 months depending on their training needs, career interests and approvals being in place. |
| **REGION/DEANERY** | South West and London regions  |
| **IS THE PLACEMENT AVAILABLE EVERY YEAR ?** | Y**[x]**  **[ ]**  |
| **PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS OF THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES THIS PLACEMENT OFFER TO SPECIALTY REGISTRARS?** |
| This placement in the Science Group of UKHSA spans a) the Office of the Chief Scientific Officer (London), b) the Evaluation & Epidemiological Science Division (Porton Down, Bristol and London), and c) the Behavioural Science and Insight Unit (Porton Down and London) of UKHSA. Opportunities across these teams will provide trainees with a unique public health specialist training experience at the national level. The supervisory team are scientific experts in their field and have a strong track record of supervision across public health, field epidemiology and academic training programmes including PhD supervision.The placement can host up to two public health trainees at any one time, typically for 12 months duration. Although Porton Down, 2 Rivergate or 10 South Colonnade will be the official placement base, flexible and home working arrangements will be supported. The registrar would be expected to take a leadership role in specific project(s) / area(s) of work, and to provide public health expertise to the wider work of their host team. They will work day-to-day under the supervision of a senior expert who is a trained Activity or Educational Supervisor.**What training and experience does this placement offer?**Science and research are at the core of the work of UKHSA to tackle the major public health challenges we face including new and emerging infections of high consequence or pandemic potential, climate change, air pollution, antibiotic resistance, vaccine confidence and addressing underlying health inequalities. The UKHSA Science Group provides strong leadership and a range of critical scientific functions which directly enable the organisation mission of UKHSA to prepare for, prevent and respond to health threats, save lives and protect livelihoods. The Office of the Chief Scientific OfficerThe Science Group is led by the Director General of Science and Research and Chief Scientific Officer, Professor Isabel Oliver, and comprises approximately 2,400 staff in 4 Directorates. The Group is responsible for making sure that UKHSA has access to the evidence needed to protect health from infectious diseases and environmental hazards, generating that evidence, and applying it to secure health. The Office supports the CSO on strategic relationships with international partners, other government departments, research funders, industry and academia and the delivery of strategic priorities including the UK Government Biosecurity Strategy and the 100 days mission to ensure the rapid availability of diagnostics, vaccines and therapeutics needed to protect health. The Office oversees UKHSA’s work on two out of six corporate strategic priorities: vaccines and environmental hazards.Registrars will gain experience of:* strategy and national policy development and implementation
* work with other government departments and global partners, including academia and industry
* transformation and modernisation of functions and services with projects available across the scope of the Science Group

The Evaluation & Epidemiological Science Division and Behavioural Science and Insight UnitThe Evaluation & Epidemiological Science (EES) Division provides leadership and strengthened capabilities and capacity in the delivery of public health evaluations and the application of epidemiological science. The Behavioural Science and Insight Unit (BSIU) provides subject matter expertise and leadership in the application of behavioural and social science to health protection. EES and BSIU maintain close working links and are based within the same Directorate within the Science Group.The placement maintains strong links with the NIHR Health Protection Research Unit in Behavioural Science & Evaluation at the University of Bristol in partnership with UKHSA, where trainees can access research projects and academic work to support their training needs.Registrars will:* have access to projects through both EES and BSIU, including those which support public health incidents and emergency preparedness and response priorities
* collaborate with topic expert teams across UKHSA on priority evaluations of public health interventions
* benefit from links to trainees in other programmes including infectious diseases, microbiology, and leadership fellows
* have access to training seminars, lectures and other opportunities scheduled during their placement

Overall, the placement provides registrars with an outstanding opportunity to participate in the development and implementation of UKHSA Science and Research, apply core public health skills to complex scenarios, and develop a broad range of skills including leadership, influencing, evaluation and project management in a national context. **Some example projects potentially suitable for public health trainees:*** Undertaking a scoping review of evaluation frameworks for public health interventions
* Leading an evaluation of the UKHSA new variant assessment platform global health programme
* Evaluating the UKHSA approach to SNP thresholds for TB clustering
* Evaluating the updated UK guidelines for the management of contacts of iGAS cases in community settings
* Identifying and assessing the evidence for use of health-related quality-of-life scales for pathogens of public health importance
* Development and evaluation of a climate change vulnerability tool to support local adaptation efforts – in partnership with a local authority and a university
* Development of an implementation plan and arrangement for the delivery of UKHSA’s contribution to the Biosecurity Strategy
* Identification of priority pathogens for pandemic and epidemic preparedness and response with Cabinet Office and DHSC
* Development of a strategy and options appraisal for the enhancement of surveillance of vaccine preventable diseases in collaboration with industry
* Leading the development of scientific collaboration and partnership between UKHSA and a named international stakeholder
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| **EQUAL ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS** (Please explain how you would ensure this placement is accessible to all suitable trainees across the UK) |
| UKHSA CSO Office and Evaluation & Translation Directorate supports remote and hybrid working so trainees from across England should consider applying. Some travel to Porton Down, Bristol, London or other locations may be advantageous and will be discussed with trainees on application. We are keen to discuss other flexible ways of working, such as part time placements. Successful applicants will need to discuss with their home deanery or local education training board to find out their requirements. There is no out of hours requirement and trainees may stay on existing regional health protection on call rotas as agreed with their training programme. There will be two rounds of placement applications per year, where capacity allows. If more applications are received than placements available, then placements will be offered based on a competitive interview process. Trainees should contact the placement to receive details on the next proposed recruitment round. |

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| **Costs** | **Who is responsible for costs (please ‘X’ the appropriate section)** |
| **Placement Provider** | **Deanery/Employer** | **Trainee** |
| Basic salary costs |  | P |  |
| On Call Costs |  | P |  |
| Out of hours salary cost (if appropriate) |  | P |  |
| Subsistence (travel and accommodation) to attend placement |  | P(depending on individual Deanery’s excess travel policy) |  |
| Subsistence (travel and accommodation) related to work undertaken on the placement | P |  |  |
| Who indemnifies for 3rd party claims |  | P |  |
| Who will be responsible for Health & Safety at work? | P |  |  |
| Who authorises study leave? How much time is allowed? | P | P |  |
| Who funds study leave expenses? |  | P(depending on individual Deanery’s policy) |  |

**SECTION 3: PROJECT DETAILS**

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| **PLEASE PROVIDE OR ATTACH A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT/S.** |
| We will aim to develop projects in line with registrar needs and interests. However, on occasion organisational needs must take priority over registrar interests. The types of project/competencies registrars can typically expect to achieve include:* Quantitative, qualitative or mixed-method evaluation of public health interventions
* Development of protocols and analysis plans
* Evidence reviews
* Writing and delivering scientific communications including reports, manuscripts for publication in peer reviewed journals and conference abstracts
* Leading or collaborating on the design of health protection science strategies and policies
* Developing national guidance
* Identifying models of good practice and apply those in a UKHSA context
* Representing the Chief Scientific Officer
* Working across other Government departments and key stakeholder organisations
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| **LEARNING OUTCOMES (**please provide the list of learning outcomes which can be achieved during this placement. the learning outcomes are available can be accessed at[public-health-curriculum-v13.pdf (fph.org.uk)](https://www.fph.org.uk/media/3450/public-health-curriculum-v13.pdf)Please tick the appropriate box ‘**P**’ or ‘**F**’ to show which Learning Outcomes will be partially be achieved or fully achieved. |
| Number | Description | **P** | **F** |
|  | This placement can potentially address most of the key learning areas within the FPH curriculum. Key learning outcomes will be discussed with the trainee prior to commencing the placement in order to meet the specific learning outcomes required by the trainee. Key areas with specific focus:Key Area 1: Use of public health intelligence to survey and assess a population’s health and wellbeingKey Area 2: Assessing the evidence of effectiveness of interventions, programmes and services intended to improve the health or wellbeing of individuals or populationsKey Area 3: Policy and strategy development and implementation Key Area 4: Strategic leadership and collaborative working for health Key Area 8: Academic Public Health Key Area 10: Integration and application of competences for consultant practice  | Yes | Dependent on length of placement and prior experience |

**SECTION 4: SUPERVISION DETAILS**

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**SECTION 4: SELECTION DETAILS**

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| ***Application Deadline* (if start date is fixed)** |  |
| ***Selection Procedure*** (please provide details of the application process for trainees). The Advertisement can be circulated via Faculty of Public Health)  |
| Trainees interested in a placement should contact the co-ordinating ES (Charles Beck) in the first instance to understand whether the placement is likely to meet training needs.There will be two rounds of placement applications per year (April-May and October-November) where trainees interested in a placement are encouraged to submit a CV and an expression of interest in the form of a cover letter (no more than one side of A4). The covering letter should state why trainees are interested in applying for the placement, what they will bring to the placement, what they expect to gain including how this placement will meet their training needs and when they would be available for the placement. Start dates will be agreed in discussion with the trainee’s local Deanery.If more applications are received than placements available interviews will be held, with placement offers made to those deemed most suitable from interview. Interview questions will be framed around the person specification shown below.Placements are available full time or part time subject to current contract. |
| ***Person Specification*** *(Please provide details including experience required below or attach with this application)* |
| Essential criteria for public health registrars:* Be on a formally accredited UK specialist public health training programme
* Have completed the diplomate and membership FPH examinations
* Be within ST3-ST5 of public health training
* Must have satisfactory progression through annual assessments (ARCP)
* Have agreement from their Training Programme Director that this is a suitable training opportunity
* Be available for a period of at least 6 months

Desirable criteria for public health registrars:* Have a demonstrable interest and expertise in one or more of: public health strategy and policy development, epidemiological science, behavioural science or evaluation of public health interventions
* A broad-based public health or clinical experience to date
* Strong skills in communication of complex issues to a variety of audiences
* Strong independent and team working skills
* An aptitude for collaborative leadership across organisational boundaries and managing various organisational priorities
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**SECTION 5: SIGNATURES**

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| **HoS/ TPD SIGNATURE** |  |
| **REGION/DEANERY** | South West |
| **DATE** | 10.07.24 |

**HEAD OF SCHOOL / TRAINING PROGRAMME DIRECTOR**

**Is this application supported? Y[x]  N[ ]**

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| **DATE** | 01/08/2024 |

**HOST ORGANISATION**

**Is this application supported? Y[x]  N[ ]**

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| **DESIGNATION** | Director General, Science and Research and CSO |
| **DATE** | 16/07/24 |