

GPA Programme

north central london
TRAINING HUB



General Practice Assistant Programme Update

On behalf of SEL Workforce Development Hub I am delighted to advise that we have been procured to deliver the GP assistant programme. The ethos of our bid was that the programme would be delivered on behalf of and in partnership with all five London ICS training hubs.

This update provides details of work currently ongoing, proposed recruitment and selection criteria and next step/actions.

We are currently in the process of developing the programme for delivery as an accredited module. We are seeking accreditation from the University of Greenwich; the accreditation meeting scheduled for 29th August. We are proposing the programme be accredited as a 20-credit module at level 4.

Subject to University of Greenwich approval, the proposed is the implementation plan. The first

- Intake will commence on early October 2023.
- The programme will be taught/delivered over a period of 16 – 26 weeks.
- We are procured to deliver 80 training places across London (20 places per ICS) by June 2024; however we can increase training capacity if it exists.
- To deliver capacity we plan to offer four intakes, each commencing the first week in: October, December 2023, February, April 2024.
- A June 2024 intake can be added to the offer if sufficient capacity exists.
- We anticipate each intake will comprise 20 learners from across the ICS geographies, however there can be flexibility, taking account initial timelessness for recruitment might mean the first cohort is smaller than planned.
- Learners are required to attend 20 hours of on-line learning (virtual)
- Learners will undertake 20 hours in house supervised practice (competency sign off) alongside 100 hours worked based learning with named supervisor/mentor.
- It is anticipated the learner will require 60 hours protected learning time to complete module work and other forms of assessment.
- Accreditation at 20 credits at level 4 - 200 hours of learning
- Learners are required to evidence ability to complete programme.
- Each ICS will recruit against PCN criteria. Selection process will be managed locally Funding £500 per
- Learner paid to practice for provision supervision and work based learning support.



Recruitment and Selection Process

Each ICS lead will be responsible for local marketing, recruitment and selection of potential GPA learners, with support from the SELWDH team.

Applicants to the GPA programme must be able to demonstrate: -

- Completion of care certificate (or capacity to complete during programme)
- Understanding of the role.
- Able to commit to the required learning within their contracted hours. Have a
- named GP supervisor.
- Have support from their employer.
- Normally have completed level 2 functional skills in English and Maths **OR**
- Able to demonstrate readiness for study at level 4 through a written exercise.

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*Any initial (August) comms must make it clear that the entry criteria and delivery of the course are subject to approval

