

# Healthcare Science Week

Healthcare Science Week is an annual week-long programme designed to promote the amazing work of healthcare science professionals and highlight the difference they make to patients' lives.

## Promoting Healthcare Science Week

Healthcare Science Week is trusts' chance to tell their local community and other health professionals first-hand about how science and technology is vital in modern patient care and changes lives for the better. It's also an invaluable opportunity for existing healthcare science staff to inspire the next generation of healthcare science staff by promoting the new career structures in local schools and colleges.



## Healthcare science careers information

The Health Careers healthcare science [1] role pages have detailed information about the different healthcare science careers, entry requirements and training programmes.

## Try your hand at genomics [2] and bioinformatics

The run up to and during Healthcare Science Week are great opportunities to try out two new online courses on genomics [2] and bioinformatics. Learn about the fundamentals of a person's DNA [3] – their genome – and discover the principles and practices of biological data, known as bioinformatics.

Available for anyone to take part in, the courses are accessible through the Health Education England [4] website and everyone gets a certificate at the end!

## Sign up as an ambassador

If you're not yet an NHS healthcare science ambassador but enthusiastic about healthcare science, we need you to share your knowledge and experience and inspire the next generation of healthcare scientists!

Run by STEM Learning around 400 healthcare science staff across the country are signed up as NHS healthcare science ambassadors and they say the role is great fun, rewarding and excellent for personal development and professional networking.

Sign-up now. [5]

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[3] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/glossary#DNA> [4] <https://www.genomicseducation.hee.nhs.uk/courses/>  
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