

# Healthcare Science Week 2018 – are you ready?

Healthcare Science Week is an annual celebration of the invaluable contribution healthcare science staff make to patient care, day in, day out!

Happening between 9 and 18 March, this year's [Healthcare Science Week](#) <sup>[1]</sup> will see [hospitals and other healthcare organisations up and down the country showcasing their work](#) <sup>[2]</sup> to school students and local people to raise awareness about what they do.



## Guide for trusts and other information

We've produced a [guide for trusts](#) <sup>[3]</sup> about how to get involved and a [poster](#) <sup>[4]</sup> to publicise the week.

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And [Careers in healthcare science](#) [6] provides a one-stop shop of information about working in this fascinating area of health, so take a look.

## Health Careers goes Bang!

Key for Health Careers during Healthcare Science Week is our activities at [The Big Bang](#) [7] at Birmingham's NEC from 14 to 17 March. Come and see us to try some healthcare science roles and bits of kit for yourself, and have a chat to healthcare science staff about what they do. There'll be lots of fun to be had, including getting dressed up in lab coats for photos!

The Big Bang is free to attend, but make sure you register your place in advance.

## Follow us

All through Healthcare Science Week itself, keep an eye on our social media channels for up-to-the-minute information and links to real-life stories. Follow the below links to find us on:

- [Facebook](#) [8]
- [Twitter](#) [9]
- [Instagram](#) [10]

## And finally...

Did you know?

- the healthcare science workforce is involved in over 80% of all clinical decisions about patient care
- many work in labs, but lots work directly with patients doing things like monitoring breathing and heart rates to helping disabled patients with custom made equipment
- they increasingly work directly with patients to see how they're responding to drugs and other treatments with some even running their own clinics

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### Links

[1] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/career-planning/career-advisers-and-teachers/teaching-resources/healthcare-science-week>

[2] <http://www.nhsemployers.org/your-workforce/plan/education-and-training/healthcare-science-education-and-training/hcs-week-2017-calendar>

- [3] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/career-planning/resources/healthcare-science-week-guide>
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