

# NHS Graduate Digital, Data and Technology Scheme

NHS Graduate Digital, Data and Technology is a fast track scheme for IM&T graduates interested in a career in health [informatics](#) [1] and technology, one of the fastest growing areas in health.

Health informatics [2] involves the intelligent use of information and technology to provide better care for patients and this two-year development scheme is a great route into a fascinating and worthwhile career.



## How the scheme works

You'll be employed in an NHS role and work with different teams and on various projects across the NHS to broaden your knowledge and skills. You could work in:

- information systems
- analysis
- information governance
- digital/IT project management or transformation
- IT infrastructure
- security

You'll start in a band 5 apprenticeship, progressing to a band 6 or 7 level role once you've successfully completed the programme. See information about Agenda for Change pay bands <sup>[3]</sup>.

The programme is a highly focused development pathway for IM&T graduates and provides an excellent grounding for your career as a future NHS information management and technology (IM&T) manager. You'll receive continuous professional development endorsed by the Institute of Leadership (ILM), as well as mentoring support throughout.

## Who should apply

The NHS Graduate Digital, Data and Technology Scheme is particularly interested to hear from you if you:

- studied any of the STEM (science, technology, engineering or mathematics) subjects or psychology at undergraduate level or above
- have equivalent work experience in a digital role, or in data science, technology or the NHS

The scheme is for you if you're ambitious with excellent interpersonal skills. You'll need to be able to work in one or more of these geographical areas throughout the two-year programme:

- London
- the home counties
- the north west
- the south east
- the south west
- Yorkshire and Humber

## The recruitment windows

Graduates are recruited onto the scheme once a quarter. Use the sign up box at the bottom of the scheme's home page <sup>[4]</sup> to receive regular updates.

## How to apply

Visit the NHS Graduate Digital, Data and Technology Scheme website <sup>[5]</sup> to find vacancies and apply during one of the above recruitment windows.

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend an assessment centre at one of various locations around the country or to participate in a virtual assessment.

## Find out more

Visit the scheme's website <sup>[4]</sup> for further details and to join the mailing list for up-to-the-minute information.

Follow Graduates into health on social media at Instagram @gradsintohealth <sup>[6]</sup> and LinkedIn @graduatesintohealth <sup>[7]</sup>

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### Links

[1] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/glossary#Informatics>

[2] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles/health-informatics>

[3] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/working-health/working-nhs/nhs-pay-and-benefits/agenda-change-pay-rates>

[4] <https://www.graduatesintohealth.co.uk/>

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