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• Education mental health practitioner [1]

Education mental health practitioners (EMHPs) work across education and healthcare to provide mental health support for children and young people in schools and colleges.

Training and qualifications required

A 12-month university course combining academic theory, self-study and work-based placements. Training open to applicants with a range of experience of working in mental health and with children and young people in schools.

Expected working hours and salary range

Training is funded at the equivalent of Agenda for Change Band 4. Once qualified, you'll be guaranteed a job as part of a mental health support team, working in a school or college.

Desirable skills and values

Excellent interpersonal skills; ability to build relationships with a range of people; working within a multidisciplinary team; good understanding of mental health issues; strong written and verbal communication skills; able to work independently and use initiative in challenging situations; and knowledge of the school and education system.

Prospects

With experience, you can undertake training to become an EMHP supervisor.

Related roles

- Psychological wellbeing practitioner [2]
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