

# Training and development (project manager)

Different levels of training in project management are available, depending on the level at which you're working.

Whatever your role within project management, gaining management qualifications while working will improve your career prospects and performance greatly and is encouraged in most healthcare organisations. Training will vary for each type of management.

The [Association for Project Management](#) <sup>[1]</sup> provides three courses:

- **APM Project Fundamentals Qualification** - for staff who have worked in project management roles for up to two years, or have recently taken on project management responsibilities as part of their job. This includes project office personnel, team Members and recently appointed project officers. It is a useful qualification for anyone embarking on a project management career, or looking to add project management to their portfolio of skills.
- **APM Project Management Qualification** - for project Managers, project co-ordinators and team leaders with experience managing non-complex projects. It is for any relatively experienced professionals looking to demonstrate their ability to manage projects successfully.
- **APM Practitioner Qualification (PQ)** - the qualification for senior project management professionals. Certificated project managers have extensive project management experience and a demonstrable track record in delivering successful business initiatives through projects. It is for skilled and experienced professionals including project and programme directors; programme managers and senior project managers.

## Graduate management training scheme

The [NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme](#) <sup>[2]</sup> is an intensive programme, combining early responsibility in real jobs with management education. It offers the opportunity to specialise in general, financial, [informatics](#) <sup>[3]</sup>, human resource or policy and strategy management. The scheme includes a thorough induction and orientation to the NHS, work placements and, on the General Management Training Scheme, the opportunity to spend time working with other healthcare organisations in the UK. Trainees on the General Management Scheme are also given the opportunity to gain postgraduate qualifications in health care or

general management. Project management is an area that general management trainees in particular, can often enter.

Find out more about the NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme [4].

Find out more about the entry requirements, skills and interests required to enter a career in project management. [5]

## • Continuing professional development

Depending on your background and role in project management, you may be required to maintain your professional registration, through continuing professional development (CPD). Find out more about CPD requirements from the professional/regulatory body that represents your area of management.

The Association for Project Management (APM) provides information about its CPD requirements.

Find out more about CPD opportunities with the APM [6].

Find out more about professional development [7].

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