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NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme

The NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme is a fast-track programme to prepare you to work as a senior manager in healthcare.

The NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme [1] introduces you to health service management, provides support to develop your knowledge and skills and gives you hands-on experience.

manager talking to staff

You can specialise in one of six areas:

- general management [2]
- finance [3]
- human resources [4]
- health informatics [5]
- policy and strategy [6]
- health analysis [7]

Simeon Smith

Higher business analyst

I wanted to work for the NHS and also had experience of analytics and statistics. After graduating, I applied for the NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme. I was really pleased to get a place.

Read Simeon's story [8]

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The Scheme lasts for two years (two and a half years if you're specialising in finance). It includes:

- intensive foundation training [9]
- structured work placements, training alongside experienced clinicians and managers
- an education programme leading to either a professional or a postgraduate qualification, depending on your specialism
- specialist management development training including support and careers guidance

Entry requirements and how to apply

You need at least a 2:2 degree in any subject to apply for the Graduate Management Training Scheme. Degree-equivalent qualifications are considered. You apply through the NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme website [10] where you'll find lots more information and advice.

Entry is competitive. The first stages involve an initial online application followed by a number of online tests. If successful, you then have interviews and attend an assessment centre to check you have the necessary communication, numeracy, planning and analytical thinking skills.

• What happens after the scheme?

At the end of the Scheme, you apply for management jobs. Although a position isn't guaranteed, prospects are good and there is often rapid career progression. The scheme will work with you throughout the programme to ensure you obtain a suitable role after the Scheme has finished.

Further information

To find out more general information about the NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme, visit:

- o NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme website [10]
- NHS Graduate Management Training Scheme Facebook page [11]

Visit the Preparation hub [12] if you're wondering if you're a good fit for the Scheme.

For information about the different specialisms:

- o financial management [13]
- o general management [14]
- health analysis [15]
- health informatics management [16]
- human resources management [17]
- o policy and strategy management [18]

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