

Work Experience Opportunities 2021/2022

Programmes for Year 10 to Year 13- or up to 24 years of age if studying at a local College.

These work experience opportunities are open to students attending a school or college within Cambridgeshire extending to students who attend school / college just over the border.

Schools and Colleges within our catchment area are notified of the programmes below and places are allocated via an application process through the Work Opportunities Team. Attendance requires authorisation from the school / college either a Career's Advisor or your Tutor.

The application form and programme information will be available via your career's advisor or work experience coordinator and can be found electronically on our website.

<https://www.careers.cuh.nhs.uk/where-could-i-work/work-experience/insight-programmes/>

<https://www.careers.cuh.nhs.uk/where-could-i-work/work-experience/work-shadowing-placements/>

We are usually oversubscribed but we try to give each local school / college two placements per programme for students. The decision is via the ability of completing a good application demonstrating their interest in the programme subject.

We request that students contact us directly regarding their work experience and not the parents. Please note we do not contact everyone on receipt of application or if unsuccessful in securing a placement.

If you are successful, confirmation will be sent nearer the time of placement, or once booking for the programme is closed.

Year 10 Work Experience: TBC

This week long programme is for year 10 students from local schools who are interested in working in the NHS and would like to know more about it. As students are under the age of 16, this is delivered in the classroom through presentations, talks and activities. This is a very popular and oversubscribed programme. We therefore work with the school's career advisor / work experience coordinator to select the most suitable students. *Applications for this programme must be submitted before 28th February 2022. All applicants will receive an email advising of placement outcome.*

Programme for year 11-13

Caring in the NHS: 4th and 5th May 2022 closing date for applications 22nd April 2022

This 2 day programme gives students the opportunity to learn more about some of the Allied Health Professions, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language, Nutrition and Dietetics, Theatre staff, Healthcare Support Workers and Paramedics. The programme is delivered through presentations, demonstrations and skills based activities.

Nursing and Midwifery: 1st March 2022 Closing date for applications 16th February 2022

This programme offers a deeper insight into Healthcare Support, Adult, Paediatric and Mental Health Nursing as well as Midwifery, exploring the various routes and career pathways available.

Programmes for Year 12 & 13 only

Medical Shadowing and Clinical Shadowing including Laboratories, Health Sciences and AHPs: placement dates on request dependant on availability of staff. Applications must be received 2 months prior to placement request date. If we are not able to place you on the date requested, another date will be offered. Please Note the requests for shadowing is oversubscribed and not all requests will be fulfilled.

Individual shadowing is specifically for sixth form students applying to study medicine at University or one of the careers in the NHS. The placement aims to provide an insight in the working life of the staff member in order to aid the student in completing their UCAS application form, Apprenticeship application form or to help assist with the career choice. Placements are between 1-3 days depending on availability during which time you may observe patient consultations, ward rounds, clinic / department procedures, multidisciplinary team meetings and emergency care. *Applications must be submitted at least 2 months prior to placement request date as health clearance from our Occupational Health team will be required before the placement can take place.*

Medical Work Experience Programme plus 1 day placement: Wednesday 23rd March 2022 closing date for applications 22nd January 2022.

This 2 day programme is for sixth form students considering a career in medicine to answer the question “is this the right career for me?”

The first day is a proactive classroom based programme with speakers and presentations from a range of clinical staff, offering the chance to ask questions and find out what University interviews are really like. During the following week the students will be allocated a day when they shadow a Consultant in Cambridge University Hospitals or Royal Papworth Hospital. During this time they may observe patient consultations, ward rounds, clinic/ department procedures, multidisciplinary team meetings and emergency care. There is also the opportunity to observe in one of our Theatres for students over the age of 17. Please state if you are interested in a theatre placement.

Cambridge Clinical Research Centre - dates to be confirmed

We offer students chance to participate in some work shadowing in the Cambridge Clinical Research Centre. This 3 day programme provides students with a chance to spend time meeting researchers, watching clinical skills, touring our research facility and labs. The programme aims to cover the Ethics of research, Metabolic research, patient and public involvement, early phase trials in Oncology and Paediatric research. (Subject to programme change)

Physiotherapy: 4 half days, either AM or PM

This is a popular programme for students studying biology and with an interest in Physiotherapy as a future career prospect. Individuals spend time with various Physiotherapy teams in order to get an over view of the role of the Physiotherapist. We have two programmes which run every month. Both take place over 4

days, from Monday – Thursday, and are held on the second week of every month. The morning programme is from 9am – 12 midday and the afternoon session is 13.30pm – 16.30pm.

Occupational Therapy programme

You will be spending the morning (9.00 – 12.30) shadowing one of our teams. We will introduce you to the ward or clinic environment and discuss the different effects of disability faced within their specific clinical field. You will have the opportunity to observe assessment and/or treatment sessions with an occupational therapy staff member – with patient agreement.

Nutrition and Dietetics

The Dietetics department offer half day visitor sessions once a month to shadow members of the department to gain some further understanding and experience of this role. Please apply via our website <https://www.cuh.nhs.uk/our-services/nutrition-and-dietetics/working-as-a-dietitian/> directly.