

Extra Support for New Generation of UK Doctors

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Health Education England is pleased to announce that medical graduates can now have an extra five days shadowing in their first year of Foundation School. This additional paid commitment is to help compensate for some disrupted learning and experiences arising from the impact of the pandemic.

This is in addition to the usual period of shadowing that is offered to trainee doctors, which enables new FY1 doctors to fully adapt to their new surroundings and colleagues, and develop their confidence. The extra period of shadowing, to be organised through the UK Foundation Schools, will also be helpful to those who have graduated overseas who will be unfamiliar with the NHS. The funding has been supported by the Departments of Health in England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Professor Wendy Reid, Director of Education and Quality and Medical Director, Health Education England said:

?This is a fantastic opportunity for these new trainee doctors to understand how a clinical ward works and should help them feel less anxious and more comfortable in their new environment. The Covid-19 pandemic has meant we have seen some disruption to training and these additional days will have a real benefit to their education experience.?

Attendance at the extra shadowing period will not be mandatory, but UK Foundation School Directors strongly recommend that new FY1 doctors take the opportunities provided, so that they get to know senior medical colleagues in their team, meet the other healthcare professionals in their new workplace, and become familiar with their new clinical environment.

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