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The North West Population Health and Prevention Network (NWPHPN) [6] is a multi professional public health network working across the north west region. The network supports and develops the public health contribution and role of the healthcare, social care and voluntary sector workforce (wider public health workforce).

Our work is aimed at supporting the health and wellbeing role of a wide range of professions across the medical, non-medical and social care workforce across a range of settings such as local authorities, primary and secondary care, community care and voluntary sector.

Public health workforce development tends to fall into two distinct categories – developing the public health skills and knowledge of the public health workforce and skills and knowledge development of the wider public health workforce, bringing them together ensures a coordinated and consistent approach to improving health and wellbeing through workforce development across the north.

We work closely with key stakeholders, including Public Health England, the clinical and non-clinical workforce and partners in other sectors.

For further information email php@hee.nhs.uk [7].

Schools of public health

The three schools of Public Health train and educate public health experts and leaders to serve the people of the north. Our graduates hold jobs in a wide variety of organisations that have public health as their focus including Local Authorities, the NHS, academic organisations and Public Health England. These public health teams and jobs have changed dramatically following the transition of public health from the NHS to Local Government.

Schools across the north:

- North east [8]
- North west [9]
- Yorkshire and the Humber [10]

Public health practitioner workforce development

Public health workforce leads from Public Heath England, Health Education England and Heads of Schools are working together across the north to secure a shared approach to public health practitioner workforce
development.

Funding has been secured to establish UKPHR [11] practitioner schemes and practitioner development in the north west and Yorkshire and the Humber as well as providing resources to the established north east programme.

Ensuring a professionally registered and regulated public health workforce across the north will support career development and opportunities, as well as providing assurances for employers and to the public that we are maintaining a high quality and trained public health workforce.

The scheme is devolved to local areas operationally but the network meets regularly to explore joint working and potential economies of scale by joint commissioning and delivery where appropriate.

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**Yorkshire and the Humber:** Emma Mason, practitioner coordinator - e.mason@leeds.ac.uk [15], 0113 343 5683. Find more information about the programme on the Yorkshire and the Humber public health network website [16].

Suicide prevention e-learning resource

The We need to talk about suicide [17] e-learning resource developed jointly by Health Education England and Public Health England highlights the devastating impact of suicide on individuals, families and communities.

The resource has been developed with support from a wide range of external partners including the charitable sector, blue light services, academia, experts in mental health and, importantly, people with lived experience, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.

Providing a large-scale approach to workforce development, the resource helps to address the terrible burden on society that suicide brings.

As an introduction to the subject matter, the resource aims to help staff and volunteers who don’t specifically work in mental health services or have a mental health role. Suicide rates in the North West are higher than the England average (11.3 per 100,000 of the population compared to 10.1).

The difference between the North West and the rest of England is even greater when looking at men aged 35-64.

If you are worried about someone, don’t be afraid to talk to them? your help can make all the difference.

Public Health Education and Training Directory for the north

This resource [18] is suitable for anyone looking for academic study opportunities in public health and covers the main domains of public health practice at all levels from short study through to PhD level study. It provides a central repository of learning provided by Higher Education Intuitions and others across the North.

It includes education and training opportunities available across the North, [18] including the North West, Yorkshire & Humber and the North East.
Public health knowledge and skills toolkit

We have developed an award winning toolkit [20] to allow healthcare education programmes leads to consider, identify and map how their programmes evidence public health education knowledge and skills acquisition. The purpose of the toolkit is to quality assure the undergraduate education curricula in the north west for public health content.

The indicators were drawn from the Framework for Personalised Care and Population Health for Nurses, Midwives, Health Visitors and Allied Health Professionals [21] which has since been updated to the All Our Health [22] document June 2016.

The toolkit draws on are six key areas of population health activity - the first four are drawn from the four public health domains outlined in the in the public health outcomes framework of health improvement, health protection, wider determinants of health and healthcare public health. It includes a further two from the Compassion in Practice framework.

The toolkit is hosted on the North West Population Health and Prevention Network website [20].


Links
[5] https://www.hee.nhs.uk/about
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