

## Enhancing Generalist Skills Programme Trailblazer Newsletter 2 – August 2021

Dear Trailblazer Leads and Colleagues,

Welcome to our second newsletter, the summer is well underway and we hope that colleagues have been able to enjoy some time off or have some well-deserved R&R booked in the diary. We are delighted to share the progress we have collectively made nationally and regionally over the past few months to advance the enhancing generalist skills agenda. We would like to extend a warm welcome to new colleagues who have joined the wider team and are incredibly grateful for everyone's continued hard work and efforts across the regions. As always, we welcome feedback, so please feel free to contact us or the MERP team for any suggestions about how we can continue to improve our communications with you.

Best Wishes,



Jo and Tahreema

*National Clinical Advisors - Enhancing Generalist Skills Programme*

### Chief Medical Officer's Annual Report 2021: Health in Coastal Communities

It was great to see our Enhancing Generalist Skills Programme endorsed by the CMO in his latest annual report, highlighting how generalist skills can help address health inequalities across coastal communities. We have included a link to the report [here](#) for interested colleagues (Chapter 4 – Medical Workforce).

### Assurance Board Update

The Generalism Assurance Board was held on 1 July 2021, James King presented the South-East Trailblazer proposal, detailing the SE bids submitted and plans to involve FY3 doctors. The Board were particularly pleased with the SE stakeholder engagement plan described including local social care and community champions.

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The Board were given a spending review update and the programme team provided an overview of progress in all programme areas, including educational development, trailblazers, culture and careers and the visual identity plans. The Board asked for more details around risks and the mitigation plans to be provided. To facilitate this, we have created new highlight reports for each trailblazer to report against which will include providing regular updates on trailblazer progress, bid development and stakeholder engagement. The programme team will be taking the information from these to inform our bi-monthly meetings with the Board.

### **Trailblazer Away Day**

Thank you for your attendance at the first Trailblazer Away Day on 30 July. We were delighted it was so well attended with each region represented. Over the coming weeks, the programme team will continue to review the feedback and provide details in return to the questions raised. This will include providing a robust definition on the programme outcomes as well as requesting your help with reviewing the straplines for the programme as detailed during the event.

### **Leadership Offer**

Following the official launch at the Away Day, we are delighted to be working with Professor Geeta Menon and the Leading through Education to Excellent Patient care (LEEP) Programme. The first module starts on Tuesday 21 September 2021, please continue to send your nominations into the programme team. Each region is asked to nominate at least two persons to undertake the programme who may then disseminate it further within the regions.

### **National Educational Framework Module Workshops**

As part of the development of the national educational framework, our partners Swanwick Morris have successfully run two workshops focusing on the Equality, Inclusion and Diversity and Systems Working learning outcomes to develop supportive module handbooks. The handbooks are aimed to provide practical tips and guidance on delivery of the national learning outcomes and will launch on the learning hub soon.

The remaining four workshops are to be held in early September, thank you for the continued nominations of subject matter experts, these will ensure a full and varied discussion on each module development.

## Welcome Sophie Smith



We are delighted to confirm that Sophie Smith has started with us as one of our National Enhance Fellows. Sophie is an Orthogeriatric Registrar and will be working with the National team to support the delivery of the programme. We are planning for Sophie to support the evidence-based academic element of the programme as well as co-ordinating the working groups and final outputs from our core programme streams – digital, leadership and transformative reflection.



## Putting the spotlight on:

### Population Health



On the 15 June 2021 the first Population, Global Health and Sustainable Working Group was held, chaired by Mas Amin (Population Health Clinical Advisor), we welcomed experts to discuss the relationship between population health and global health, and how these two broad subjects can support the sustainability agenda. It was interesting to listen to the diverse views about the overlap and differences between population health and global health which remains a contentious issue in healthcare. The group were in agreement that population health skills can be applied to tackle global health issues.

The group heard about many important and emerging subjects relating to sustainable healthcare. A key outcome is that it is crucial to incorporate planetary health within our sustainability offer.

The next working group will receive HEE's new population health curriculum and online directory of mapped resources. This will be available on e-Learning for Healthcare (e-LfH) for the Trailblazers in the autumn. This working group will also align with the Population Health learning outcome and supporting module guide from the enhancing generalist skills national educational framework to recognise the close link between the programmes.

## Operational Delivery Group

The programme team are pleased to announce the inaugural Operational Delivery Group (ODG) on Friday 17 September 2021. The meeting will be chaired by Andrew Milner, Programme Lead for Medical Education Reform and will oversee the operational management of the programme including management of programme milestones, budget and will report on progress to the Board. The group will also resolve issues, develop proposals and inform communication and engagement activities. All operational leads will be invited to attend this group.

## Regional Bidding Process Round 2

On 9 August 2021, we launched the second round of regional bidding for trailblazers, a reminder of the deadline and panel dates is below:

Monday 9 August 2021	Bidding Open
Friday 10 September 2021	Deadline for Trailblazers to have submitted bids
Friday 17 September 2021	Panel Review Date
Friday 24 September 2021	Trailblazer Leads will have outcomes of bids on or before this date
Monday 4 October 2021	Funding will be transferred after this date

The programme team are available for any guidance and would be happy to hold a conversation to aid a successful bid.

## SharePoint

All regional trailblazer staff should have access to the Regional Trailblazer SharePoint site, it is regularly updated with useful documents for sharing with your stakeholders and providing details about the national programme.

An ask of you, is to utilise the resources so that all stakeholders are receiving identical information. If you are creating a specific stakeholder engagement piece, please do upload this to the site for wider sharing by other regions and the national team.



- Tuesday 31 August, Regional Trailblazer Network
- Thursday 2 September, Global and Population Health Working Group
- Tuesday 7 September, Person Centred Care Educational Module Development Group
- Wednesday 8 September, Multimorbidity Educational Module Development Group
- Thursday 9 September, Environmental Sustainability Educational Module Development Group
- Friday 10 September, Human Factors Educational Content Development Meeting
- Friday 17 September, Operational Delivery Group Meeting
- Tuesday 21 September, LEEP Module 1 Webinar
- Tuesday 28 September, Enhance Programme Assurance Board

We hope you find this newsletter informative, if you have any items you would like to cover or would like the team to focus on for the next edition, please do contact the team via [merp@hee.nhs.uk](mailto:merp@hee.nhs.uk)

The deadline for submissions to the next newsletter will be **30 September 2021**