

Humber, Coast and Vale Health and Care Partnership

Faculty of Advanced Practice Programme Update

November 2020

The following report highlights recent work of the Humber, Coast and Vale Faculty of Advanced Practice.

Faculty of Advanced Practice Webpages

Our webpages are now live and you can find them [here](#). If you have anything you would like us to share on our website, please contact [Carly McIntyre](#), Senior Project Support Officer.

Advanced Clinical Practitioner Recruitment 20/21

Funding has been agreed for 72 Advanced Clinical Practitioners across Humber, Coast and Vale for 2021. Organisations are in the process of recruiting to these posts, some of which have done so already with individuals starting programmes in September 2020, with others starting in January 2021.

Physician Associate Recruitment 20/21

Across our region employers are looking to recruit 22 PAs with 13 of those posts in General Practice. Recruitment is ongoing.

Apprenticeships in Advanced Clinical Practice

Advanced Clinical Practitioner Apprenticeships are now available in Humber, Coast and Vale, with the University of Hull and the University of York offering the programme. There has not been a lot of uptake for the apprenticeship route for the 20/21 recruitment round and the Faculty will be working with employers to promote the apprenticeship for 21/22 recruitment. An Apprenticeship Guide for Employers is being developed by the Faculty to help with this.

Shared Online Learning Sessions

The Faculty have arranged monthly online teaching sessions for Advanced Clinical Practitioners and Physician Associates. The first session took place in October and good feedback was received. Further sessions have been scheduled, click [here](#) for details. If you anyone would like to suggest any topics for future sessions, please email carly.mcintyre@hey.nhs.uk

Education Pathway for aspiring Advanced Clinical Practitioners

Discussions are on-going with employers and education providers to look at producing an education pathway for aspiring Advanced Clinical Practitioners. This pathway will include a matrix of the skills/attributes individuals must have to be able to undertake the Advanced Clinical



Practice Programme leading them on to senior roles within an organisation. Further details will be shared in due course.

Advanced Clinical Practice Quality Strategy

Through discussions with stakeholders, the Faculty have developed a [Quality Strategy](#) in an effort to develop an understanding of what quality is considered to be and how we can work together across Humber, Coast and Vale to make and sustain improvements for Advanced Clinical Practice growth in our region. The framework also supports the [Faculty Delivery Plan](#).

Foundation Programme for Physician Associates

The Faculty are developing a Foundation Programme for Physician Associates to support the transition from student to qualified clinician. The programme would also improve employer confidence and ensuring services continue to be delivered to the highest standard by promoting the PA as a valuable member of the multi professional team. Further details will be available in due course.

Physician Associate Promotion

Employer Webinars

The Faculty are arranging a webinar for employers to showcase the benefits of the Physician Associate role and how it works in different service areas across Humber, Coast and Vale such as Mental Health, Primary and Secondary Care and the Community. There will be a mixture of employers and Physician Associates presenting in order to provide employers with an insight into various perspectives of the role. The date for this webinar has recently been postponed due to current service pressures. Further details on the new date will be shared in due course.

Primary and Secondary Care Booklets

Two booklets have been produced by Physician Associate Ambassadors working across Yorkshire and the Humber to show how the Physician Associate role works in Primary and Secondary Care. Click [here](#) for further details.

Physician Associate Ambassador

A new Physician Associate Ambassador, Emily Holmes, has been recruited to work with the Faculty across Humber, Coast and Vale on a number of projects to help promote the role. Emily commenced in post early November 2020 and we are very much looking forward to working with her.

Case Studies

We are working with employers and Physician Associates to develop a number of case studies to promote the Physician Associate role across Humber, Coast and Vale. If you would like to be involved, please contact carly.mcintyre@hey.nhs.uk

To get involved in our work or for further information, please contact the [workforce team](#)