

# Mental Health Transformation Theme Apprenticeships Newsletter

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## Priority Area – Trailblazer Development

### URGENT – JOB STANDARDS SURVEYS please comment by 11<sup>th</sup> December 2016

This month's approvals deadline has now passed and all proposals to develop new apprenticeship standards; draft standards, and draft assessment plans, have been put online as part of our short approvals surveys, to give all interested parties a chance to comment.

You may also wish to promote the survey to your wider sector contacts, particularly if they did not have the chance to input during your own consultation. Please all draft consultations listed by name of job standard and indicated department/area for feedback.



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This month's survey on new Apprenticeship proposals is [here](#) the survey on draft Standards is [here](#) , and the survey on assessment plans is [here](#). All the surveys will close on 11 December.

If you are interested in developing a job standard, please first check to see if a relevant job standard has already been already [approved for delivery](#) or is currently [in development](#). It's vital you avoid wasted time and duplication of effort. Skills for Health and Talent for Care are striving to find an approach to standards development in the health sector, in order for NHS providers to become better connected.

If you would still like to proceed to find out how to develop a job standard then please contact:

- Talent for Care Team ([catrionacurry@nhs.net](mailto:catrionacurry@nhs.net)) to register your interest
- Sarah Appleby ([sarah.appleby@wm.hee.nhs.uk](mailto:sarah.appleby@wm.hee.nhs.uk))
- If the job standard is related directly to the health sector, please also contact [Healthcare.Trailblazer@skillsforhealth.org.uk](mailto:Healthcare.Trailblazer@skillsforhealth.org.uk) . For more information please go to [www.skillsforhealth.org.uk/trailblazer](http://www.skillsforhealth.org.uk/trailblazer)

Further to this if you are already involved in the development of a job standard could you please forward to [sarah.appleby@wm.hee.nhs.uk](mailto:sarah.appleby@wm.hee.nhs.uk) and [Audrey.Foster@hee.nhs.uk](mailto:Audrey.Foster@hee.nhs.uk) information about the development of the job standard and the trailblazer group using this [form](#).

### *In Other News...*

#### **Healthcare Jobs Standards**

The Senior Healthcare Support Worker Level 3 apprenticeship Job Standard and End Point Assessment has now been approved and is now ready for use with the following options for:

- Adult Nursing
- Maternity Support
- Theatre Support
- Mental Health Support
- Children (in development)

A Funding Band of 4, £3,000 has been allocated to both the Level 3, Senior Healthcare Support Worker and to the Level 2 Healthcare Support worker apprenticeship job standards. The Healthcare Standards Trailblazer Group intends to appeal this decision however requires sufficient evidence to present to the government regarding the cost of delivery of these job standards. If you intend to provide the training for these job standards, please contact Lucy Blinko regarding attending a special meeting on 6 December 2016 in London. Please see attached email.



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To date, Pearson have informed employers and learning providers they have applied to be an End Point Organisation for all Healthcare and Healthscience apprenticeship job standards.



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Please click [here](#) for listing of all Funding Bands for respective Apprenticeship Job Standards and SASE Apprenticeship Frameworks.

#### **Nursing Job Standard**

The Nursing Job Standards has now been approved with options for:

- Adult
- Children
- Learning Disabilities
- Mental Health

The standard is not yet ready for use. The End Point Assessment is currently being developed. Please [click here](#) to see a copy of the standard.

### Useful Information

Skills for Health produced a information document [Apprenticeship funding from May 2017 and the implications for the NHS in England](#) (please see attached PDF) this month which is a comprehensive document outlining all the changes to apprenticeship reforms, job standard development, Learning Provider/Employer-provider/Provider changes and the apprenticeship levy. It is advised to distribute this document widely to the following within your organisations:

- **Trust Executives including Finance, HR and Nursing Directors**
- **Widening Participation/Learning and Development/ Workforce Development and Planning Leads**
- **Education facilitators**
- **HR Business Partners**
- **Business Development Leads**
- **Directorate/Service Leads**

### Employer-Provider FAQs

A number of Employer-Provider events have been held in the West Midlands over the last 2 weeks. For those organisations who are considering an application to the Register of Apprenticeship Training Providers (RoATP) in the future (deadline for applying this year ended today, 25 November) as either a Provider or as an Employer Provider please read these FAQs below.



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### Conferences and Events

#### Webinars for Employers – update

The Department for Education's Apprenticeship Funding Unit will be running a set of webinars for interested stakeholders on the latest information on the funding reforms. Please note that if you have been to a recent SFA employer event or webinar then these webinars will cover the same areas.

There are still places available at the session below:

Thursday 15th December, 10:00 - 11:00

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/2516219544376016385>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

### Funding Opportunity

#### 2017/18 Children and Young Peoples' Education & Training Fund -Vulnerable Groups (formerly Innovation Fund) – up to £2m

*HEE intends to carry out a procurement exercise to commission a range of providers to deliver initiatives that support workforce transformation, development and training intended to improve the mental health outcomes for vulnerable children and young people.*

A Prior Information Notice has now been published on contracts finder and can be viewed via:

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/b8659cc3-0c34-4620-a13e-1e299105b431>

As part of this exercise, HEE will be holding a Market Engagement Event in London (**The Auditorium, Stewart House, 32 Russell Square, WC1B 5DN on the 9th of December 2016 from 10 -12.30pm**). This will provide an opportunity for potential providers to find out more about the aims of the tender, the process involved and networking opportunities. HEE will use this forum to gather intelligence from attendees to inform the tender process.

Please register your interest for the Market Engagement Event by emailing [hee.cypmh@nhs.net](mailto:hee.cypmh@nhs.net) the name, title and contact details of attendees (a maximum of two attendees per organisation) by

**Monday 5th December 2016**