

CALLING ALL ASPIRING CLINICAL ACADEMICS

- HEE/NIHR Internship, Pre-Doctoral and Post-Doctoral Bridging Programmes in the East Midlands - Application deadline 30 November 2024 (11.59pm)

Dear Aspiring Clinical Academics,

The Universities Nottingham and Lincoln and are pleased to launch the 2025 **NHS England/NIHR Clinical Fellow and Scholars Programmes**. These programmes are part of the NHS England/NIHR Integrated Clinical Academic (ICA) Training Programme for non-medical healthcare professionals

<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/explore-nihr/academy-programmes/hee-nihr-integrated-clinical-and-practitioner-academic-programme.htm>

Are you a Nurse, Midwife, Allied Health Professional, Paramedic, Health Visitor, Healthcare Scientist, Chiropractor, Pharmacy Professional, Optometrist, Osteopath, Optician, Wider Dental Team Member, Operating Department Practitioner, Non-Medical Public Health Specialty Trainee, Practitioner Psychologist, Clinical Psychologist or Social Care Worker, registered in the **East Midlands?**

<https://www.nihr.ac.uk/documents/heenih-ica-programme-eligible-professions-and-regulators/12204>

Internship

Suitable for registered professionals without postgraduate qualifications or formal training in research.

This award supports clinicians to go on to apply for a research Master's programme or NIHR Pre-Doctoral Clinical Academic Fellowship (PCAF).

The Internship Programme will be available for up to 8 East Midland places to join the programme in 2025.

Successful applicants to the HEE/NIHR Internship Programme will have:

- The Clinical Scholar's ability to compete successfully for the next stage of the Clinical Academic Pathway, such as the Masters in Research (MRes) or NIHR PCAF award
- A structured educational programme
- 48 days duration; start date March 2025. Besides a small number of mandatory education days and Action Learning Sets, these days can be taken flexibly over the course of 9 months in agreement with the Clinical Scholar's organisation and academic mentor
- Participation in facilitated Action Learning Sets

If you would like to talk to someone to discuss this opportunity please contact: Prof Ros Kane

rkane@lincoln.ac.uk

Pre-Doctoral Bridging Programme

Have you completed a Masters or equivalent postgraduate qualification and are looking to further develop a clinical academic career?

NHS England/NIHR are excited to offer up to 5 East Midland places to join the Pre-Doctoral Bridging Programme in 2025/26.

Successful applicants to the HEE Pre-Doctoral Bridging Programme will have:

- Protected funded time (48 days over 11 months) to develop a PhD proposal and develop clinical academic networks necessary to supporting a clinical academic career.

- An individualised training and development plan based on identified needs.
- An NHS England approved research Mentor to support proposal development, facilitate high quality learning opportunities and access to research professionals.
- An identified clinical mentor in the chosen topic area to lend profession specific expertise.
- Participation in facilitated Action Learning Sets

If you would like to talk to someone to discuss this opportunity please contact: Professor Kate Radford (kate.radford@nottingham.ac.uk) or Dr Claire Diver (claire.diver@nottingham.ac.uk)

Post-Doctoral Bridging Programme

The Post-Doctoral Bridging Programme develops individuals along the NHS England/NIHR ICA career pathway to increase their capacity and capability to deliver innovative research projects to improve practice and patient outcomes. The Post-Doctoral Bridging Programme is designed to support post-doctoral individuals in applying for either the NIHR ICA Clinical Lectureship scheme or an equivalent award from elsewhere that is relevant for their clinical academic career development.

Applicants are required to develop an individual, bespoke programme of activities to support their learning needs but will include:

- Associate member of the University of Nottingham
- Protected funded time over 12 months to develop an Advanced Clinical Fellowship application
- Review of application by experts and feedback
- Mock interview for Clinical Lectureship with experts, and feedback
- NHS England approved mentor
- Facilitated Action Learning Sets with other people at a similar level
- Access to successful candidates from other years

If you would like to talk to someone to discuss this opportunity, please contact: Professor Joseph Manning (joseph.manning@leicester.ac.uk). If you are interested in applying for this prestigious and competitive programme please complete an application form and email to the scheme administrator patricia.dziunka@nottingham.ac.uk

More information, Application Forms and Guidance Notes can be found at:

<http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/clinicalsolar/index.aspx>

Application Deadline: 11.59pm 30th November 2024 **Interviews:** 9th & 10th December 2024 for Internship and Pre-Doctoral, 12th December 2024 for Post-Doctoral applications.

Start Date: Early March 2025

Compulsory Training Dates taking place at the University Lincoln for Internships will be announced at a later date.

Compulsory Training Dates taking place at the University Nottingham for Pre-Doctoral Bridging

Programme: 4th March 2025, 25th March 2025, 23rd May, 30th May and 6th June. These and future dates will be confirmed on your first training day.

PLEASE CIRCULATE TO ANY ASPIRING CLINICAL ACADEMICS Sent on behalf of the Clinical Academic Management Teams at the University of Nottingham and Lincoln

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Please note the dates and information advertised are for guidance purposes. It may be required to change dates stated based on resources available but only where necessary and with notice.