

BASHH/ HPA Fellowship

1. Steering group:

- Angela Robinson, BASHH
- Cathy Ison, BSIG and HPA
- Jackie Cassell, HPA South East Region
- Sarah Alexander, HPA Cfl Microbiology
- Kathy Lowndes, HPA Cfl, STI Surveillance

Remit of the steering group

- To guide applicants towards potential suitable mentors
- Assess applications in a timely manner
- Review progress reports.
- Provide certificates of completion

2. Contact list for mentors/projects

- Steering group (HPA members only)
- Valerie Delpech, HPA, Cfl, HIV
- Gwenda Hughes, HPA Cfl STI surveillance
- Helen Maguire, London Regional Epidemiologist
- Regional Sexual Health Leads
- Regional Microbiologist

Remit of mentors:

- Discuss potential projects with applicants
- Supervise one (or at the most two) projects
- Ensure provision of sufficient supervision and advice for the project to be completed in the time available.
- Ensure progress reports submitted.

3. Applicants

Applicants need to be in their second year of Higher Specialist Training as a minimum and need to have the support of their training programme director and written approval for study leave from their consultant.

We recognise there are three types of applicants, those who:

1. Have decided on a project and may already have a mentor
2. Have an idea or a particular interest for a project but don't have it clearly worked out and don't have a mentor.
3. Would like to apply but have no idea for a project or mentor.

4. Application process

Once the advert has gone out the candidates should visit the website and:

- Contact one of the steering group for advice regarding potential supervisors
- Approach a mentor/supervisor from the HPA Centre for Infections, or HPA Regions (Epidemiology or Microbiology)
- Decide on a project

Submit application to BASHH including:

- Short (2 pages A4) summary of the project with the agreement of the mentor (only one project should be submitted).
- Concise CV (2-3 sides)
- Short document (not more than 2 sides of A4) entitled 'Importance of this placement at the HPA to my training and future career'.

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