



**On demand AHP virtual work experience: Springpod**

This is a funded programme from Health Education England (HEE) across the South East region. This program offers 10 hours of virtual work experience across the 14 allied health professions (AHP).

Each ICS will be allocated 400 entries onto the program. Of these allocation 250 will be allocated by Springpod to schools and Colleges within your area. The remaining 150 allocations will be available for each organisation to use throughout the year. These allocations can also be advertised in external setting, eg Job centres, gyms.

**Access:**

When a organisation has a request for work experience and would like to offer the applicant the virtual work experience program then they would have to issue them with the links below. The applicant will need to open the link and register on the springpod website

**For a student that is at school or college:**

<https://www.springpod.co.uk/experience/allied-health-professional-on-demand>

**For an college lever/ Adult:**

<https://join.springpod.co.uk/ahp-on-demand-adult-learning-course/>

Springpod will produce a report every quarter displaying how many applicants there has been in each area.

**Criteria:**

This program is open to any applicant wanting to learn more about a career as an AHP.

**Advertisement:**

There is a poster that has been produced and can be used to promote the program and can be displayed on organisations websites, or via external companies.

**Feedback:**

At the end of the program the applicants will fill in a survey. This survey will explore which profession interests them the most and if they would like more information. This information will then be given to HEE SE AHP department. They will then pass this information onto the relevant organisations, eg AHP Councils/Faculties.

For further information regarding this program Health and Social Care providers within Kent and Medway can contact:

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Program content table:

Section	Duration	Description
1: Welcome and introduction	15 minutes	This is a welcome video with an overview of the work experience programme. There is a short guide in using the platform and a short survey to understand the participant's thoughts & expectations about the programme
2: The world of the NHS.	30 minutes	An introduction of the NHS and its values and principles. A quiz and activity for the participants to carry out to demonstrate their understanding.
3: Allied Health Professionals	1 hour	This section will briefly explore all of the 14 AHPs. There will be a video from a AHP lead and a reflection activity of what AHP inspires you the most and why.
4: Meet the AHPs	3 hours	<p>This section is made up of videos from AHPs explaining their profession in more detail.</p> <p>To offer the participants a more real to life work experience there will be video of patient journeys and then videos of the AHPs that have inputted into their care, explaining their role.</p> <p>There will be 3 activities in this section.            1: what AHP inspires you and why?            2: Produce a poster to promote AHPs            3: OT activity how to make a cup of tea.</p>
5: Art of communication	1.5 hours	This section explains the 6 Cs and looks at importance of communication.
6. Becoming a AHP University student	1 hour	<p>This section is about what the AHP course look like and different routes into the professions. It will discuss clinical placements.</p> <p>There is a video that offers personal statement and interview skills. It also covers work lives balance and wellbeing.</p> <p>There are videos of AHP student experiences.</p> <p>There is a activity at the end for them to reflect on what skills they feel they have that would complement a AHP career.</p>
7. Careers and meet the partners	1 hour	This section is specific to the ICS and the structure of it. It will explore the different Health and Social care providers within it.
8: Next steps	15 minutes	Congratulations and a short survey to explore what profession they are most interested in and if they would like further information into a profession.