



## PROFESSIONAL AND GENERIC SKILLS PROGRAMME

This new Professional and Generic Skills programme is a collaborative venture provided by **Health Education South West (HESW)**, and delivered by **University of Plymouth Faculty of Health, Medicine, Dentistry and Human Sciences**

The Programme has been delivered every year since it began in 2015 for doctors in training (GP and Specialty ST3+), with some places also reserved for SAS doctors (Specialty, Staff Grade and Associate Specialists) and dental trainees.

For the 2021/22 academic year the programme is being offered to GP ST1 and ST2 trainees. In addition, SAS and dental trainee places have also been extended. Registration therefore remains open for all these additional places. Note that the PGS Programme remains a pre-requisite for an HEE-funded place on Plymouth's PGCert programmes. It is also strongly advisable to have completed it before embarking on further training in Clinical Leadership.

You can read a bit more about the Programme [here](#)

The Programme is fully aligned with the GMC's Generic Professional Capabilities framework, and as such is designed to provide a unique combination of practice skills, knowledge and thinking to develop your career as a clinical leader within an evolving NHS. You will need to commit to seven days per year for the delivery sessions, plus time required to write a final reflection. The six modules making up the Programme cover the following key themes:

- Patient safety, and quality (systems and personal responsibilities);
- Communication, partnership and team-working (teaching and learning);
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- Maintaining trust (medical ethics, medicine and the law);
- Leadership and Management (NHS structures and funding);
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The programme is stand-alone and employs a blended learning approach. It will mostly be held virtually on a secure Zoom platform, with the prospect of some face-to-face sessions, subject to government and HEE guidance. The Programme also provides the opportunity for further postgraduate progression in Clinical Education at either Bristol University or Plymouth University; or progression onto other postgraduate taught programmes at Plymouth (including Healthcare Management, Leadership & Innovation; Global Health).

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Click here to apply to join the Programme: [Application Form](#)

