

KSS School of Public Health Prospectus

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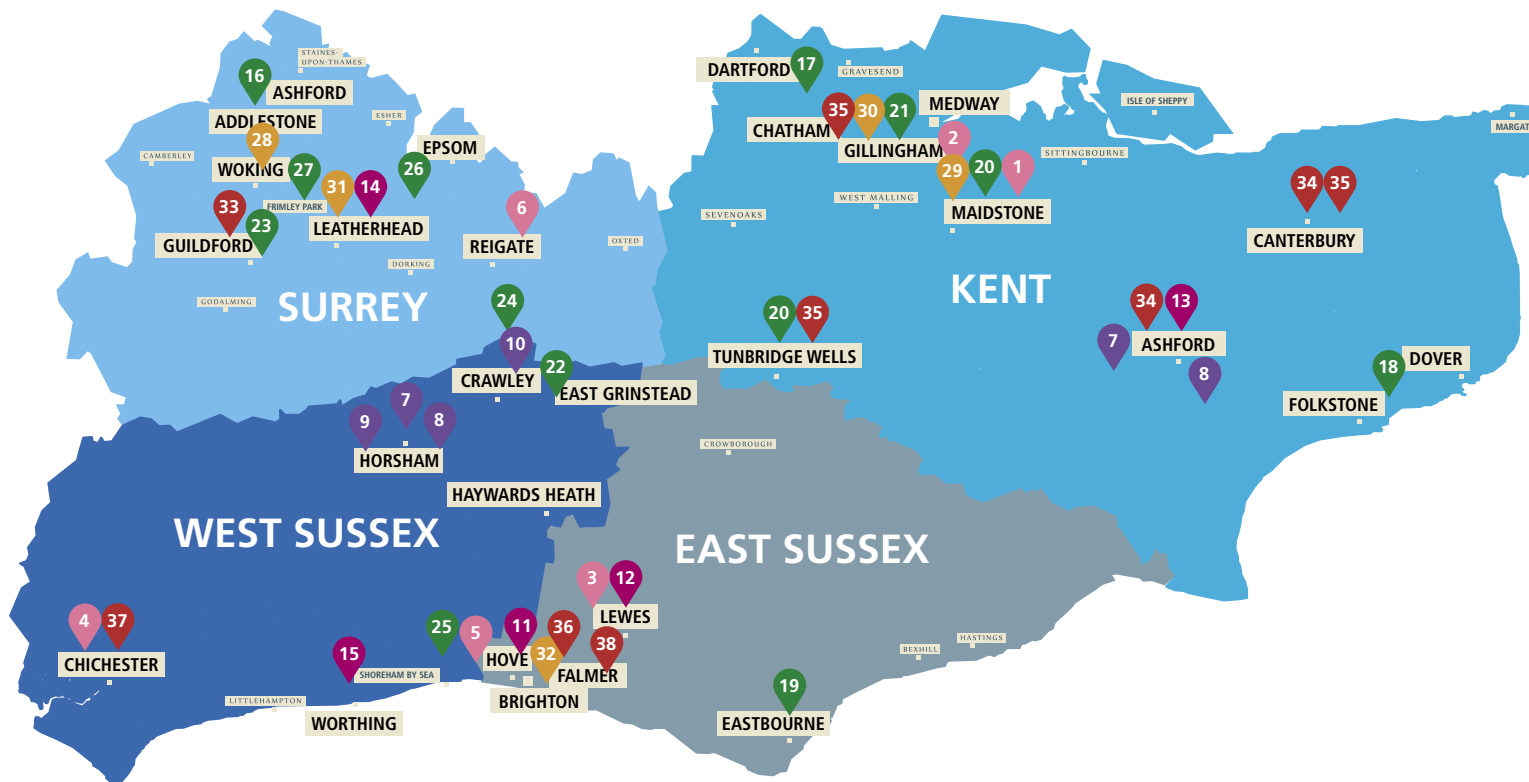
Introduction

About Kent, Surrey and Sussex (KSS) Region

The population in KSS is approximately 4.8million (ONS, 2018), and the population health is varied depending on locations. Each of the Integrated Care Systems (ICS) across KSS has its priorities to address and improve their population's health.

The health and care system across KSS includes a variety of organisations working together to improve health and address inequalities. The map below provides an overview of the health and care system in KSS.

Further details about the key areas of priorities with KSS and lifestyle opportunities can be found at the following link: <https://kss.hee.nhs.uk/about-us/living-in-kss/>



Local Authorities

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- 3 East Sussex County Council
- 4 West Sussex County Council
- 5 Brighton and Hove Council
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Government Agencies and ALBs

- 7 UK Health Security Agency
- 8 Office of Health Improvement and Disparities
- 9 NHS England and Improvement
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Clinical Commissioning Groups

- 11 Brighton and Hove CCG
- 12 East Sussex CCG
- 13 Kent and Medway CCG
- 14 Surrey Heartlands CCG
- 15 West Sussex CCG

Acute Trusts

- 16 Ashford Hospital and St Peters Hospital NHS Trust
- 17 Dartford and Gravesend NHS Trust
- 18 East Kent NHS Trust
- 19 East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust
- 20 Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust
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- 24 Surrey and Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust
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Community and Mental Health Trusts

- 28 Central Surrey Health
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- 30 Kent and Medway NHS and Social Care Partnership Trust
- 31 Surrey Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
- 32 Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust

Universities

- 33 University of Surrey
- 34 University of Kent
- 35 Canterbury Christ Church University
- 36 University of Sussex
- 37 University of Chichester
- 38 Brighton and Sussex Medical School

About the KSS School of Public Health

Health Education England has been working to a South East operating model since 2019 and with this there will be the development of a South East School of Public Health which will include:

- **Thames Valley (TV) School of Public Health:**
<https://thamesvalley.hee.nhs.uk/school-of-public-health/>
- **Wessex (Wx) School of Public Health:**
<https://wessex.hee.nhs.uk/school-of-public-health/>
- **Kent, Surrey and Sussex (KSS) School of Public Health:**
<https://kss.hee.nhs.uk/kss-school-of-public-health/>

The KSS School of Public Health is a new school launched this year as it separates from London. The School will cover the geographical counties of Kent, Surrey and Sussex and will work closely with the Thames Valley and Wessex Schools of Public Health as it forms into the South East School with three units of application, including three specialty training programmes.

The KSS School of Public Health team is currently being established to ensure there is a strong team in place to support the School's training and education programmes. This will include:

- **Public Health Specialty Training**
- **Public Health Practitioner Development**
- **Public health wider workforce development**

The KSS School currently include the following members in the team to support the above areas of work in providing high quality training and education:

- **Head of School**
Professor Julie Parkes
- **Training Programme Directors**
Margot Nicholls; Jane Scarlett; Yvonne Young
- **Public Health Practitioner and wider workforce development**
Joe Keeling; Em Rahman; Branwen Thomas
- **Interim School Training Manager**
Jane Bishop (1 day a week)

The School welcomes all trainees from both medical and non-medical backgrounds and are committed to providing a positive training experience for all.

To find out more about the KSS School contact
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Training Programme

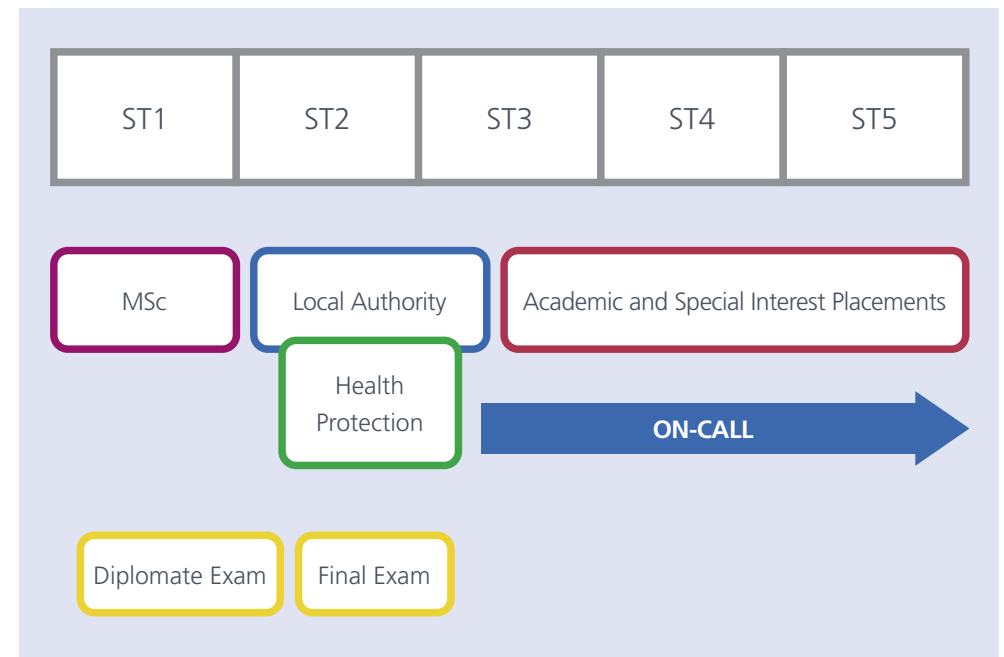
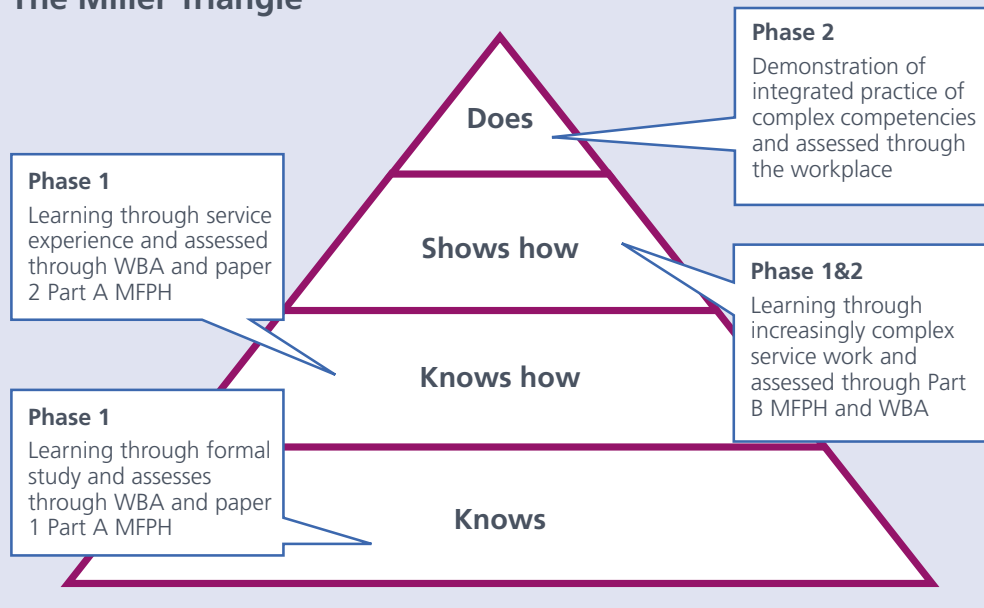
Public Health Training Programme

The Public Health Specialty Training Programme is a 5 year programme, at the end of which people will be able to join the Public Health Specialist Register with either the GMC (<https://www.gmc-uk.org/>) or the UKPHR (<https://ukphr.org/>) and so will be eligible for public health consultant appointments. Training may be done full or part-time.

Training follows the Faculty of Public Health curriculum (<https://www.fph.org.uk/training-careers/specialty-training/curriculum/>). Training is divided into two phases, Phase 1 which focuses on gaining knowledge of public health and Phase 2 which focuses on applying that knowledge in practice.

The training programme includes the three main areas of public health practice: health protection, health improvement and healthcare public health. Phase 1 usually lasts 2-3 years, which may include academic courses, modules or MSc in public health following an academic learning needs assessment on entry to the programme. For those who already have an MSc, entry to training at ST2 (Specialty Training year 2) level is available.

The Miller Triangle



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Following the MSc (find out more about the MSc programme below), first placements in public health will take place in a Local Authority (LA) public health directorate and will last around 18 months, with four months spent in the associated health protection team at some time during this placement. At the end of the health protection placement there will be an assessment of readiness for out of hours on call, and following this registrars will be included in the out of hours health protection rota.

Most registrars will sit the FPH Diplomate exam (<https://www.fph.org.uk/training-careers/the-diplomate-dfph-and-final-membership-examination-mfph/>) at the end of the MSc, and sit the Final Membership exam after they have done their health protection placement. Once the first LA placement and health protection placements are completed, out of hours on call is underway and the FPH membership examination has been passed, registrars move into Phase 2 of training. During this phase registrars will have access to a range of special interest placements, depending on their interests within public health. This includes placements in the three major aspects of public health practice, as well as academic placements, health intelligence and screening and immunisations. Towards the end of training, placements will be tailored to support registrars in obtaining consultant posts after completing training.

Progress in training will be overseen by Education Supervisors, and will be formally assessed in the Annual Review of Competency Progression (ARCP) each year by the KSS School of Public Health.

The programme works closely with other specialty training programmes to promote public health principles across medical training programmes, and helps support wider public health workforce development.



Masters in Public Health (MSc)

The MSc in Public Health provides a solid foundation for public health research and practice, empowering graduates to lead in a variety of public, NGO and international settings.

Interactive lectures are delivered by academics, practitioners and activists from the frontlines of public health. Our aim is to equip you to join the dynamic field of public health with a strong grasp of research methods and interdisciplinary skills.

The course combines a set of four compulsory core modules (Principles and Practice of Public Health, Epidemiology, Essential Statistics in Health and Medical Research, and Research Methods and Critical Appraisal), a range of optional modules (e.g. Health Protection, Nutrition in Public Health, Global Public Health, Sexual Health, Leadership and Change Management in Clinical Practice), and the dissertation, allowing students to focus on areas relevant to their work and professional interests. Each module is delivered within an intensive immersive week, with 'breaks' between modules during which time students focus on seminars, tutorials, assignments, research and extracurricular activities.

Students are assessed through a wide range of methods to build confidence and practical skills, including TED talks, poster presentations and PechaKucha presentations. The research dissertation module provides an excellent opportunity to integrate study-based learning with a work-based research project improving students' competencies and skills to enhance their long-term careers in public health. Students have opportunities and mentorship to publish their dissertations in high impact journals and present their findings through national and international platforms. The course has a very high student satisfaction (100%) making it a popular course in the region.

Further details on the MSc Public Health are available here:

<https://www.bsms.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught-degrees/public-health.aspx>



Training Placements

The KSS School of Public Health offer a wide and varied range of placements to Registrars including access to national training placements and placements across the South East. There are strong academic links with Kent University and the Brighton & Sussex Medical School.

All the training placements on the KSS training programme are approved by the General Medical Council.

The Training Programme Director is available to discuss any placements and training opportunities the Registrar requires for their individual training needs.

The following are a list of training placements that are currently available. There will also be training placements available in Screening and Immunisations, Local Knowledge and Intelligence Service, Healthcare Public Health, Environmental Public Health, and Environmental Hazards and Emergencies.

Local Authorities

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Brighton & Hove City Council

Name of organisation	Brighton & Hove City Council
Geographic Location	Brighton & Hove City with a population of 292,000 people. Please see our interactive JSNA
Base Address	Brighton & Hove Public Health, Health & Adult Social Care Directorate, Hove Town Hall, Norton Road, Hove. BN3 3BQ



Working Arrangements

We offer hybrid working arrangements. Registrars will be fully equipped with a laptop and phone for remote working, but there are office spaces where the team comes together on some days. We are flexible about individual working arrangements and people can work from home as agreed with Educational Supervisor and as the work allows.

Description of placement

Brighton & Hove offer a supportive, friendly working environment. The city's location and demography provides a good range of learning opportunities. covering all dimensions of public health (health improvement, health protection, healthcare public health and public health intelligence).

The Council has a broad range of environmental programmes, the challenge of high levels of often hidden deprivation, plus a mobile, young and increasingly diverse population.

The city's well-known arts, culture and sports agenda have been well used to inform innovative approaches to health, although more recently somewhat impacted by Covid19. Please see this DPH report for examples.

Our Health & Wellbeing Strategy covers the Starting Well, Living Well, Aging Well and Dying Well and our vision for the City.

Registrars work with other members of the Public Health Team, other council departments, the local NHS, Voluntary and Community sector organisations. We have close working relationships with our NHS colleagues both at the Sussex Integrated Care System and at place level - the Integrated Care Partnership.

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Description of placement	<p>There are three NHS trusts; University Hospitals Sussex East, Sussex Community Foundation Trust, and Sussex Partnership Foundation Trust delivering mental health services.</p> <p>There is an active community and voluntary sector who are key partners to our work.</p> <p>There are two Universities, and a multiplicity of international schools, all of which bring a lively dynamic to the city</p>	What's different about this placement?	<p>We have been developing our Public health schools programme with supporting data profiles for each school. This is also informed by our Safe and Well at School survey of young people conducted each 2 years.</p> <p>We have a commitment to working alongside our communities of interest and identify, neighbourhoods in areas of deprivation which has been key during the Covid pandemic.</p>
About the Team	<p>The Public Health Team has 65 staff members and is led by the Director of Public Health, Alistair Hill.</p> <p>We have a range of commissioning responsibilities for health improvement services including large agendas around substance misuse. mental health, and sexual health.</p> <p>We have a well-established PH Intelligence Team with a good breadth of analyst skills. There is a robust commissioning support offer to NHS commissioners via the Healthcare Public Health Team, and an expanding Health Protection Team dealing with a diversity of infectious conditions and emergencies.</p> <p>Our delivery arm specialises in evidence based health improvement – Healthy Lifestyles Team who provide a thorough range of one to one and groupwork support for health behaviour changes including physical activity, healthy weight, stopping smoking and emotional wellbeing.</p>		<p>The implementation of PCNs has supported further embedding of the HLT offer to practices and their patients.</p> <p>Mental ill health has long been a concern for all organisations working in the city, ever more so since the pandemic. There are a range of innovative creative arts approaches and projects funded to improve public mental health.</p> <p>The city lies part on the South Downs National Park and along the seafront and has a number of well kept local community parks. We are working closely with our Council economic development and environment colleagues to build an environmentally sustainable approach to the local economy and to ensure a health and wellbeing dimension from the start.</p>

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Likely curriculum learning outcomes / key areas which can be achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We can support a variety of learning experiences which encompass many areas of the curriculum, particularly key areas 1,2,3,4,5 and 7. We foster and enable an environment for trainees that supports them to develop the advanced skills required for key area 10 and registrars are part of our Public Health leadership team. • Examples of recent registrar projects include: • An equality impact assessment of the NHS Health Checks programme • Teaching public health at the local university, • Evidence reviews for NHS interventions and procedures • Commissioning a weight management services • Self-harm needs assessment for children & young people • Leading on the production of the annual public health report
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Website links

- For information about Brighton & Hove City please see:
 - <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/our-plan-2020-2023>
 - <https://www.visitbrighton.com/>
- For general information about our team please see <https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/about-public-health/what-you-can-expect-local-public-health>
- For our portfolio of DPH Public Health annual reports, summary and in depth needs assessments, community insight mapped data, key surveys, reports and other data please see <https://www.bhconnected.org.uk/content/local-intelligence>
- For information about some of our local partners please see;
 - <https://www.bhcommunityworks.org.uk/>
 - <https://www.sussexhealthandcare.uk/>



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Name of organisation	East Sussex County Council
Geographic Location	East Sussex includes the districts and boroughs of Lewes, Eastbourne, Wealden, Hastings and Rother.
Base Address	East Sussex County Council, County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes, East Sussex BN7 1UE



Working Arrangements

Hybrid working arrangements to suit the individual and the needs of the work

Description of placement

Would you like to join a well-established and dynamic team, working creatively together to mitigate the current harms from the Covid pandemic? Do you want to roll up your sleeves and help improve the lives of people living in seaside towns and rural communities with areas of significant deprivation, in a two tier local authority just a train ride away from London and only 8 miles from Brighton?

East Sussex includes the districts and boroughs of Lewes, Eastbourne, Wealden, Hastings and Rother.

The population is around 550 000 and has a higher proportion of older people. The county is rich in natural, cultural and historical assets, including seaside resorts, market towns, villages, theatres, historic houses, castles, the South Downs National Park, woodland and coastal paths and cycle ways

Opportunities to work

- at the cutting edge of integrating health and care, with the CCGs and the County Council
- in healthcare public health, health protection and health improvement within the local authority
- on the wider determinants of health including housing, planning, the environment, the economy, arts and culture
- on a countywide asset based wellbeing programme
- on international work to reduce suicide (Beachy Head is within East Sussex)
- on academic Public Health in conjunction with the Brighton and Sussex Medical School, Universities of Brighton and Sussex

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About the Team	This is an exciting opportunity to join a well-established and highly supportive team, with a DPH and four consultants
What's different about this placement?	<p>We are able to offer:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High levels of support from enthusiastic and highly trained staff including four consultants • A Public Health team that is championing being a 'learning environment' and already has a long and successful track record in hosting Foundation Year 2 Doctors, a GP Fellow in Public Health and a Darzi Fellow in Public Health, as well as previously supporting an ST 4/5 Public Health trainee and an ST 1
Likely curriculum learning outcomes / key areas which can be achieved	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health needs assessment • Evaluation • Literature reviews • Coastal health inequalities • Support to research • Teaching and lecturing • Supervising Foundation Year 2 Doctors and Kickstart Placements

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Website links

JSNA - Home (www.eastsussexjsna.org.uk)
 Public health | East Sussex County Council



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Name of organisation	Kent County Council
Geographic Location	Kent County Council covers twelve District and Borough councils of Canterbury, Dartford, Gravesham, Sevenoaks, Tonbridge and Malling, Maidstone, Tunbridge Wells, Swale, Ashford, Shepway, Dover and Thanet.
Base Address	County Hall Maidstone Kent ME14 1XQ



Working Arrangements	Hybrid working arrangements
Description of placement	<p>Kent County Council is committed to improving the health of its 1.6 million residents. Kent is the largest Local Authority in the UK and home to a diverse population who experience a range of inequalities. Kent County Council works closely with its twelve District and Borough councils allowing opportunities for trainees to better understand political structures and different influencing styles. Experience gained within Kent will expose any keen student to not only urban and rural populations but also to coastal populations, a high priority in the recent Chief Medical Officer's report and differing communities including the Gypsy, Roma and Traveller community.</p> <p>Public Health in Kent County Council is located within the historic County Hall building, in the county town of Maidstone. Maidstone boasts three train stations with high-speed links to London (Victoria, London Bridge and St Pancras) just over an hour away. Kent's geography puts us at the forefront of key national topics such as Brexit, haulier welfare, logistics, and immigration. There are a number of key areas of national infrastructure in Kent, such as HS1 rail, Dover Port and the Channel Tunnel. New developments including the Lower Thames crossing and the London resort also offer opportunities to refocus on climate change and air quality within our county and to gain experience in key skills such as health impact assessment and health equity audits.</p>

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About the Team	<p>The team at Kent is supportive, friendly, and enthusiastic and strives to concentrate on progression, development, training and improvement. We are keen to help train the next generation of Public Health Specialists.</p> <p>The team, comprising of the Director, Consultants, Specialists and Programmes Leads lends can offer a wealth of support and guidance as well as knowledge and experience. It has established strong local working relationships with colleagues in the ICS and with Local Trusts across the system as well as districts and boroughs, surrounding authorities, the local police force, Fire and Rescue service and many more. Having close stakeholder relationships allows for collaborative outcomes in relation to areas such as Population health Management and Healthcare Public Health.</p>	Contact for further information	<p>Dr Allison Duggal Interim Director of Public Health allison.duggal@kent.gov.uk</p> <p>Dr Abraham P George Consultant in Public Health Medicine / Educational Supervisor abraham.george@kent.gov.uk</p>
What's different about this placement?	<p>Our team actively collaborates with academic organisations on various population health research projects, particularly with the three local universities - University of Kent, University of Greenwich and Canterbury & Christchurch University. We also have close links with the Health in Europe Centre specialising in academic and study opportunities with many European countries. Kent is also home to the newly established Kent & Medway medical school which offers high-quality clinical teaching and research strengths including public health.</p> <p>Our focus on maintaining a strong data and intelligence function leads to further opportunities to get involved in interesting and topical pieces of work as well as attend and participate in meetings.</p>	Website links	<p>Kent County Council https://www.kent.gov.uk/about-the-council/strategies-and-policies/health-policies/our-responsibility-for-public-health</p> <p>Kent Public Health Observatory https://www.kpho.org.uk/</p> <p>Kent and Medway CCG https://www.kentandmedwayccg.nhs.uk/</p>



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Name of organisation	Medway Council
Geographic Location	Medway and wider areas of Kent (County)
Base Address	Gun Wharf Dock Road, Chatham, Kent ME4 4TR



Working Arrangements

Medway Public Health is moving to a hybrid model with four days working remotely and one day in the office.

Description of placement

Medway is the second largest unitary authority in the SE with a population of nearly 300,000. The area is currently undergoing significant transformation with public health at the vanguard. This includes creation of a 'Child Friendly Medway', City of Culture 2025 and City Status 2022. There is a major £170 million housing regeneration programme creating a new communities and infrastructure (health leisure, businesses etc) on the Hoo Peninsula. With a significant proportion of the Medway population living in the 20% of the most disadvantaged in England, there is significant scope for public health trainees wanting to join a vibrant and exciting team. The Medway PH team have developed the health intelligence tools for the Kent and Medway Integrated Care System, and they are leading on the development of the Medway Swale Integrated Care Partnership population health management (PHM) programme. The Director of Public Health for Medway is the Kent and Medway System Sponsor for PHM. There is scope for involvement in Health Care Public Health, Health Improvement, Public Health intelligence, Community Engagement and strategic partnership working within Medway and across the whole county of Kent, including collaboration with the Kent and Medway Medical School (we have joint appointments with the Medical School). Anyone interested in working to improve outcomes for children and young people, or who wants to experience and inform strategic place-based work to deliver long term outcomes will really enjoy their time in Medway.

About the Team

Aims

The core aim of the service is to improve the health and wellbeing of people in Medway, and to reduce health inequalities.

This is achieved by leading and facilitating the work of others, and through a mix of service provision, direct commissioning and advice and support to the commissioning programmes of others.

The Domains of Public Health**Health improvement:**

The health improvement team role within the Public Health Directorate is to lead, facilitate and deliver public health programmes including tobacco control and smoking cessation, supporting healthy weight, sexual health promotion (including the chlamydia screening programme), healthy child programme, mental health promotion, and substance misuse. There is also a strong emphasis on wider determinates, including workplaces, education and training and prison health.

Healthcare public health:

Providing specialist public health advice to Kent & Medway Clinical Commissioning Group, Medway Swale ICP and other organisations, to ensure that health and care services are of high quality, provide value for money, and are commissioned according to the needs of the Medway population. This includes expert public health advice to programme management groups, needs assessments, support

About the Team

for equity audits, and support for service redesign and development. The commissioning of health and care services for Medway also sit within the public health directorate.

Health protection:

Public health works with partners to prevent the spread of infectious diseases and to minimise the harm caused by environmental hazards; ensuring that plans are in place dealing with public health emergencies; assuring high quality vaccination and screening programmes; and supporting a comprehensive infection prevention and control service across Medway. This includes a local testing partnership linked to COVID-19 test and trace.

Public health intelligence:

The public health intelligence team is responsible for the provision of high-quality analysis and intelligence across all functions of the Public Health Directorate. This includes support for the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy, monitoring (particularly the Public Health Outcomes Framework) and surveillance of public health data and equity audits.

Tackling health inequalities:

The challenge of reducing health inequalities must be addressed across a range of policy areas and environments. Taking action through tackling the wider determinants of health, lifestyle factors and improved health and social care to reduce health inequalities underpins all of the work of the Public Health directorate.

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About the Team	<p>Addressing the wider determinants of health:</p> <p>There is a wide range of broad social, economic and environmental factors including education, employment, income, housing and social support networks that influence health. These have an effect individually but also they are inter-connected and reinforce each other. Medway Council has the ability to influence the economic, environmental and social well-being of the local population and is therefore in a key position to mobilise action to tackle health inequalities and improve well-being.</p> <p>Approximately 120 staff sit within Public Health. This is completed by a wider workforce, sitting within the test and trace partnership</p>	What's different about this placement?	<p>This means that the team is able to adapt and change services rapidly, without having to renegotiate contracts with providers of these services. This creates an environment that fosters creativity and continuous improvement, and we have a strong reputation for being innovative. Trainees would have the opportunity observe teams providing frontline services, join team meetings to learn how services are managed, and be involved in helping to develop and implement new ideas based on the latest evidence.</p> <p>Another area where Medway public health stands out is in its approach to public health intelligence. For 10 years the team has been using R for statistical programming and the development of tools, analyses and dashboards to provide insight in an efficient manner. Members of the team have taught teams in others areas, presented a conferences and meetings, and have had both national and international visitors coming to learn how the team works. Trainees with an interest in public health intelligence would be able to learn from recognised experts in this field.</p>
What's different about this placement?	<p>Medway is a unitary authority and therefore all services are contained within a single council. This makes it easier to influence the wider determinants of health than in other areas where services are split between district and county councils.</p> <p>Trainees would have the opportunity to meet with council teams responsible for green spaces, planning, licencing, etc., learn about how decisions are made in these areas, and potentially develop work to influence how policies are developed. The Medway public health team is unusual in that it has a relatively large provider arm, providing rather than commissioning a number of services, such as smoking cessation services, healthy weight services, children's public health etc.</p>		

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Likely curriculum learning outcomes / key areas which can be achieved

Key Area 1: Use of public health intelligence to survey and assess a population's health and wellbeing

Key Area 2: Assessing the evidence of effectiveness of interventions, programmes and services intended to improve the health or wellbeing of individuals or populations

Key Area 3: Policy and strategy development and implementation

Key Area 4: Strategic leadership and collaborative working for health

Key Area 5: Health Improvement, Determinants of Health, and Health Communication

Key Area 7: Health and Care Public Health

Key Area 9: Professional personal and ethical development (PPED)

Contact for further information

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Website links

www.medwayjsna.info

www.medway.gov.uk/homepage/48/a_better_medway



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Name of organisation	Surrey County Council
Geographic Location	Surrey county
Base Address	<p>The public health team is based Woodhatch Place, 11 Woodhatch Rd, Cockshot Hill, Reigate RH2 8EF.</p> <p>The registrar's base is flexible as we also have offices in Woking, Guildford and Leatherhead and we share some office locations with the NHS in places such as Weybridge. Members of the public health team use these other offices as well as the main base.</p>



Working Arrangements

We offer hybrid working arrangements. Registrars will be fully equipped with a laptop and phone for remote working, but there are office spaces where the team comes together on some days. We are flexible about individual working arrangements.

Description of placement

Surrey County Council provides a friendly, lively training environment with a wide range of learning opportunities covering all dimensions of public health (health improvement, health protection, healthcare public health and public health intelligence). The council is one of the biggest in England, responsible for a population of 1.2 million living in rural and urban areas.

Registrars work with other members of the Public Health Team, other council departments, the local NHS (we have very close working relationships with our NHS colleagues in Surrey Heartlands and Frimley Integrated Care systems and have several health focused workstreams), Surrey Heartlands Academy, UK Health Security Agency, Office for Health Improvement and Disparities, and academic and voluntary sector organisations.

About the Team

The Public Health Team has 50 staff members and is led by the Director of Public Health, Ruth Hutchinson. It has commissioning responsibilities for health improvement services, a well-established PH Intelligence and Insight Team (PHIIT), a robust commissioning support offer to NHS commissioners (including a Healthcare Public Health Team), and a health protection team. We are part of a newly formed Public Service Reform Directorate which brings together teams from both the county council and the NHS.

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What's different about this placement?

Surrey is a beautiful county to work in with good transport links to London. It has a large population with a mixture of affluence and deprivation. There are several commuter towns as well as more rural populations. There are 5 hospital trusts serving the Surrey population. Each of the 11 districts and boroughs we work alongside has its own characteristics offering a variety of populations to work with. Surrey County Council is forward thinking and has put health inequalities at the heart of its plans.

The department has a strong learning ethos, and as well as council-provided training, we hold regular public health educational meetings collaborating with neighbouring local authorities.

Likely curriculum learning outcomes / key areas which can be achieved

We can provide a learning experience that spans almost all areas of the curriculum, particularly key areas 1,2,3,4,5 and 7, but projects will also contribute to learning outcomes from other areas of the curriculum too. We foster an environment for trainees that enables them to develop the advanced skills required for key area 10 and registrars are part of our Public Health leadership team.

Examples of recent registrar projects include a review of the tongue tie pathway, an equality impact assessment of COVID vaccinations, teaching public health at the local university, evidence reviews for NHS interventions and procedures, needs assessments, annual public health report, evaluation of health improvement services, leading a public health approach to homelessness during COVID and development of a prioritisation framework for local public health services.

Contact for further information

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Helen.raison@surreycc.gov.uk or
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Website links

www.surreycc.gov.uk/social-care-and-health/public-health/about-public-health

www.healthysurrey.org.uk/data/assets/pdf_file/0007/197530/Surrey-Health-and-Wellbeing-Strategy-FINAL-19.11.20.pdf



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Name of organisation	West Sussex County Council
Geographic Location	West Sussex is a beautiful and varied county stretching from Gatwick Airport and Crawley in the north to the southern coastal towns of Worthing, Littlehampton and Bognor Regis and the cathedral city of Chichester. The South Downs National Park crosses the county.
Base Address	Public Health, First Floor, The Grange, Chichester PO19 1QT



Working Arrangements	<p>In addition to the Chichester base, there is also a HQ in Horsham and other bases to work out of across the county, as well as high quality remote working infrastructure.</p> <p>All trainees are issued with a laptop including a work phone number within it.</p>
Description of placement	<p>The West Sussex public health directorate delivers a wide range of functions and trainees can be involved in work across all public health domains.</p> <p>West Sussex has a strong ethos of partnership working (both internal and external).</p> <p>Public Health is well integrated across West Sussex County Council with public health staff members embedded in most directorates.</p> <p>The team works with a wide variety of partners including Sussex Health and Care the integrated care partnership, and the local Clinical Commissioning Group, provider organisations (in the NHS and beyond as well as the seven District and Borough Councils and the voluntary and community sector).</p>
About the Team	<p>There is a team of approximately 40 staff members some embedded in teams outside of that of the Director of Public Health e.g. in the sustainability team.</p>

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What's different about this placement?

- West Sussex is affluent as a whole county but within its boundaries there is considerable health inequality. Work is undertaken on agendas relating to coastal towns, rurality as well that of ageing populations.
- As a large county there is potential to effect change at scale.
- West Sussex has established track record in specialist public health training
- Excellent success rates in professional exams
- Educational Supervisor is a previous Part A examiner.
- There is a large health intelligence team and access to an NHS based librarian.
- The directorate has hosted Darzi and a Population Health Management Fellows and prior to pandemic the directorate also supported GP trainees in integrated training placements.
- The team is currently working largely remoted but is formally based in Chichester (with another HQ in Horsham and other bases to work out of across the county).

Likely curriculum learning outcomes / key areas which can be achieved

All outcomes and key areas can be achieved particularly those relating to needs assessment, service evaluations, a range of media and formats for communications, health protection, policy development and implementation, partnership and leadership.

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Website links

Further information about West Sussex can be found here.

<https://jsna.westsussex.gov.uk/>

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/social-care-and-health/social-care-and-health-information-for-professionals/adults/public-health-information-for-professionals/>



Government Agencies and ALBs

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UK Health
Security
Agency

Name of organisation	UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA)	
Geographic Location	Horsham HPT (Surrey and Sussex) Kent HPT (Kent and Medway)	
Base Address	Parkside Chart Way Horsham West Sussex RH12 1XA	Civic centre Tannery Lane Ashford Kent TN23 1PL
Working Arrangements	As necessary - currently all remote – to be reviewed post pandemic	



Description of placement

- Initial placement 3 – 4 months (WTE);
- Senior Registrar placements 3+ months (WTE)
- HP training.
- Duty desk including management of routine enquiries, incidents and outbreaks,
- Strategic and project HP work with external stakeholders and rest of SE HPT
- Health Protection is a mandatory placement for a minimum of three months.
- you will be predominantly based in the duty room and progress from observing case management to being able to take the clinical/epidemiological history, undertake a risk assessment and develop/implement a case management plan.
- You will contribute to outbreak management as well as incidents relating to Non-Infectious Environmental Hazards (NIEH).
- you will be expected to undertake a brief quality improvement project e.g. an audit of public health management. Local learning outcomes have been developed to ensure you are exposed to the breadth of health protection work. You will also have the opportunity to meet and observe our key stakeholders e.g. Environmental Health Officers, infection control teams, TB nurses
- senior registrars returning to health protection will undertake a more senior role within the team e.g. duty team lead/consultant lead role in the duty room as well as potentially take on a lead area and develop strategy documents alongside external stakeholders.
- All registrars are expected to contribute to teaching and training - both within the team and to external stakeholders.

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Office for Health Improvement & Disparities

Name of organisation	South East Regional Office, Office for Health Improvement & Disparities
Geographic Location	KSS, Thames Valley, Wessex
Base Address	Can be any of 4 local areas, Ashford, Fareham, Horsham, Chilton – often home based with frequent travel to London
Working Arrangements	The Health & Wellbeing team works across the whole of the South East with a hybrid of working remotely and face to face.



Description of placement	Regional strategies, National evidence reviews, health impact assessments, working on large infrastructure projects, working across LA's to create strategic approaches, working with other ALB's such as national parks etc
About the Team	A team of 20 consisting Deputy Director, 3 Consultants; 3 Programme Leads and a wider team supporting health & Wellbeing and Workforce programmes.
What's different about this placement?	<p>Working across the South East provides trainees a rich experience of leading programmes across the region.</p> <p>A key element of our work is to improve population outcomes and reduce inequalities. Trainees have undertaken a wide range of projects from exploring preconception health to completing deep dives into school readiness inequalities. We also offer the opportunity to work directly with PHE national teams</p> <p>We are currently establishing a regional programme of work with key stakeholders to review coastal inequalities in relation to the workforce of the coastal towns.</p>
Likely curriculum learning outcomes / key areas which can be achieved	Key Areas 1-5, 9 and 10
Contact for further information	<p>Angela Baker, Deputy Director, Health Improvement and Wellbeing</p> <p>Angela.Baker@dhsc.gov.uk</p>
Website links	To be established in OHID within DHSC

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NHS England and NHS Improvement



Name of organisation	NHS England & Improvement
Geographic Location	South East Region
Base Address	Horsham UKHSA Office, County Hall North, Chart Way, Horsham, West Sussex RH12 1XA



Working Arrangements

Remote working is the norm, with occasional travel to London for multi-agency meetings hosted by NHS England usually in or around Elephant & Castle and occasional travel by mutual arrangement to Horsham for 121s with Educational Supervisor.

Description of placement

Specialised Commissioning in KSS, South East Region

- Supporting the Consultant in preparing for national Individual Funding Request screening meetings and full Panel
- Supporting provision of public health advice to national Clinical Reference Groups (currently Hepatobiliary & Pancreas, Endocrinology and Specialised Colorectal, HIV) and the national Internal Medicine Programme of Care Board
- Providing support to NHS England's Specialised Services national commissioning team in developing clinical commissioning policies, service specifications and quality standards
- Project work supporting the delivery of Clinical Reference Groups' workplans including identifying unwarranted variation
- Supporting the transformation programmes of the South East Regional Specialised Commissioning Team, including the Cardiac Pathway improvement programme

About the Team

There is a team of approximately 40 staff members some embedded in teams outside of that of the Director of Public Health e.g. in the sustainability team.

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What's different about this placement?	The placement provides a variety of project work, bringing together epidemiology and activity/costing data alongside clinical opinion and views from patient and public representatives. There are opportunities to work with colleagues from a wide range of backgrounds, disciplines and levels of expertise to advocate for public health. It is a great way of becoming more familiar with how the NHS works both operationally and strategically and to understand how commissioning decisions are made at a national level.
Likely curriculum learning outcomes / key areas which can be achieved	Previous SpRs have been able to sign off most of key area 7, some of key area 4 and key area 8. Specific learning outcomes are agreed dependant on the nature of the project work undertaken and the needs of the SpR
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Website links	www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/spec-services/



Academic Placements

Academic opportunities are available at various academic institutions within the Kent, Surrey and Sussex area.

These include a placement at the Centre for Health Services Studies (CHSS) at the University of Kent, research opportunities with the KSS NHIR Allied Research Collaboration (ARC) and links with and the universities of Surrey and Sussex, and the Brighton & Medical School for the MSc.

Details of CHSS placement can be found in this section.
Details about the KSS ARC and opportunities can be found here:

<https://arc-kss.nihr.ac.uk/>

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Name of organisation	Centre for Health Services Studies, University of Kent
Geographic Location	Kent Surrey Sussex
Base Address	Cornwallis George Allen Wing, Giles Lane, Canterbury CT2 7NF



Working Arrangements	Hybrid
Description of placement	<p>CHSS is a research centre at the University of Kent, based on the main campus, which sits on a hill overlooking Canterbury Cathedral. CHSS offers opportunities to develop academic skills in applied public health research, which may be conducted in collaboration with local authorities.</p> <p>Despite being a relatively affluent region overall, there are stark health and social inequalities, with areas of rural and coastal deprivation. We have research collaborations with Kent, Medway and East Sussex County Councils in particular, which aim to understand these inequalities and identify how to tackle them.</p>
About the Team	<p>CHSS is successful, growing research centre at the University of Kent, which focuses on applied research into public health and primary and community care. It comprises a team of about 40 people from a wide range of disciplines relevant to public health, including public health, epidemiology, data science, statistics, psychology, sociology, health economics and evaluation of health and social care interventions using a range of methodologies. We are currently developing a programme of work to explore coastal inequalities using administrative datasets. The Director of CHSS, Stephen Peckham, leads the Applied Research Collaboration for Kent Surrey Sussex and through this, the centre has strong collaborative links with local authorities, NHS organisations and other universities in the region. We also have strong national and international collaborations. Opportunities to deliver teaching to undergraduates are available.</p>

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What's different about this placement?

- Opportunities to develop competencies in applied health research with strong policy relevance – and get your work published in peer-reviewed journals
- Excellent opportunities in multidisciplinary research and a wide range of methodological approaches, including both quantitative and qualitative, using primary and secondary data
- Excellent training in involving the public in research
- Excellent links with local government in Kent, Medway and East Sussex
- Strong commitment to researcher development
- Canterbury, a vibrant university city, is surrounded by beautiful countryside and can be reached within 1 hour on the High Speed service from London St Pancras.

Likely curriculum learning outcomes / key areas which can be achieved

1.8, 2.1, 8.1, 8.4, 8.5, 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, 8.9

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Website links

<https://www.kent.ac.uk/chss/>



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Name of organisation	Brighton and Sussex Medical School (BSMS)
Geographic Location	East Sussex, West Sussex, Brighton and Hove
Base Address	Department of Primary Care and Public Health Watson Building, University of Brighton, Falmer, Brighton



Working Arrangements

Flexible working arrangements, high quality remote technology embedded in BSMS infrastructure with good technical support.

Description of placement

We see academic public health as an integral part of public health service, and encourage trainees at all stages to link to us proactively throughout the “life course” of their training.

At BSMS we encourage trainees to work with us in advance to plan a tailored programme of work that harnesses the extraordinary range of opportunities across BSMS and its host universities, the NIHR Applied Research Collaboration (Kent Surrey Sussex (ARCKSS), and partner institutions in local government, NHS and social care. Combined placements are encouraged (e.g. Health Protection Teams, NHS Trusts, Local Government) as in our experience this can add value both for the trainee and the organisations.

Brighton and Sussex Medical School (BSMS) is a joint entity hosted by the University of Brighton and the University of Sussex. The placement is based in the Department of Primary Care and Public Health on the University of Brighton's Falmer campus, a few minutes walk from the University of Sussex site where our Department of Global Health and Infection is based.

We are the only academic public health department across East Sussex, West Sussex, Brighton and Hove – spanning three upper tier coastal Local Authorities and the Sussex Health and Care Partnership (ICS). As such we have a particular local interest in the coastal and rural aspects of health inequalities emphasized in the 2021 Chief Medical Officer's report, an important dimension of .

Description of placement

This is also a core priority of ARC KSS, and we work closely with colleagues in Kent and Medway on this agenda. University Sussex Hospitals NHS Trust is newly merged acute NHS Trust with five sites spanning the coast from Chichester to Brighton, and closely linked with Sussex Partnership NHS Trust and Sussex Community NHS Trust. Through our strong and deepening partnership with East Sussex and West Sussex County Councils and Brighton & Hove City Council, we are uniquely placed to understand and address coast health inequalities at scale.

BSMS offers a highly regarded Masters in Public Health, and a range of postgraduate courses and modules for health professionals, and trains doctors and physician assistants. It has a central role in ARCKSS. The Department of Global Health and Infection has an international profile in infection, health protection and neglected tropical diseases.

The University of Brighton has a wide portfolio of health professional training courses and research, which also spans social science and humanities.

The University of Sussex has international strengths in development and sustainability, global health, social care and international education.

About the Team

The Department of Primary Care and Public Health is a teaching and research department of about 40 people, led by Prof Harm Van Marwijk, a GP who is Primary and Community Care lead in ARCKSS. Researchers in the department work in primary care and health services research, epidemiology and public health, sexual health and behavioural medicine, and in health data science - you can get a flavour of some current work here. The department is highly interdisciplinary, with strong methodological expertise in psychology from Prof Carrie Llewellyn who is Research Lead, and Dr Richard de Visser as Reader in Psychology.

We have strong collaborative links with local government and NHS partners for routine data analysis, led by Dr Elizabeth Ford who holds NIHR funding for the “Unlocking Data” project, as well as an strategic investment within ARCKSS to build data analytics capacity and impact.

Central to training programme management and quality is Professor Anjum Memon who is teaching lead for the Department, and honorary consultant in public health, working closely with Brighton & Hove City Council. His primary research interests are cancer epidemiology, suicide prevention and substance use.

Dr Priya Paudyal leads the Masters in Public Health. Her background in respiratory epidemiology and microbiology has more recently led her to lead a UK and international programme of research in migrant health and wellbeing, and in co-production of research with the public.

About the Team

Professor Jackie Cassell is an honorary consultant in UK Health Security Agency, where she is currently working on the Covid-19 response and beyond in Adult Social Care. This complements her work as Public Health theme lead for ARC KSS, and she manages an academic community of practice open to all trainees together with Prof Lindsay Forbes at the University of Kent.. Her background is in sexual health, health protection and health records research.

Other members of our supportive and friendly public health team include Prof Stephen Bremner and Dr Chris Jones, who span the Department and the Brighton and Sussex Clinical Trials Unit; Dr Anna Jones, an accredited public health consultant whose focus is sustainable healthcare.

ARC KSS funds two doctoral students in public health in the Department, working on the sexual health and public health interface, and on the needs of looked after children.

Kate Birrell of West Sussex County Council is currently on an NIHR local government secondment in the Department.

BSMS also hosts a family of practitioners in medical and allied disciplines, many of whom hold honorary titles and form part of our community of practice – they are always delighted to collaborate trainees.

What's different about this placement?

- Friendly and supportive department attractively situated in Brighton with excellent public transport links. We are used to welcoming GP trainees and now looking forward to hosting the new generation of KSS public health trainees.
- Opportunities to publish peer reviewed research with academic and practitioner colleagues.
- A range of established domains of research to build on in collaboration with local partners in Brighton and Hove (mental health, substance use, sexual health), East Sussex (health inequalities and data science).
- BSMS is an integral part of a large scale platform for placement and innovation for coastal health and inequalities work, and healthcare public health, building on newly reconfigured acute services in our coastal ICS and colleagues with an established interest in the NHS/social care interface.
- Embedded in the regional opportunities of ARCKSS, and opportunities to work closely with the four theme leads based in BSMS and Sussex.
- Teaching opportunities across the full range of health and social care professional training courses.
- Strong ethos of patient and public involvement in research.

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Likely curriculum learning outcomes / key areas which can be achieved

An academic placement can provide opportunities to achieve a wide range of learning outcomes, especially in the context of joint placements with local authority or NHS partners. However the commonest areas of core competence where an academic placement can make a distinctive contribution include:

- (a) Use of public health intelligence to survey and assess a population's health and wellbeing.
- (b) Assessing the evidence of effectiveness of interventions, programmes and services intended to improve health or wellbeing of individuals or populations.
- (c) Health promotion, determinants of health and health communication.
- (d) Health and care public health.
- (e) Academic public health.

We can provide enriching opportunities for teaching and training experience across the training lifespan, whether or not on placement with us. For example, trainees who have had health protection experience can teach and social care health professionals in training.

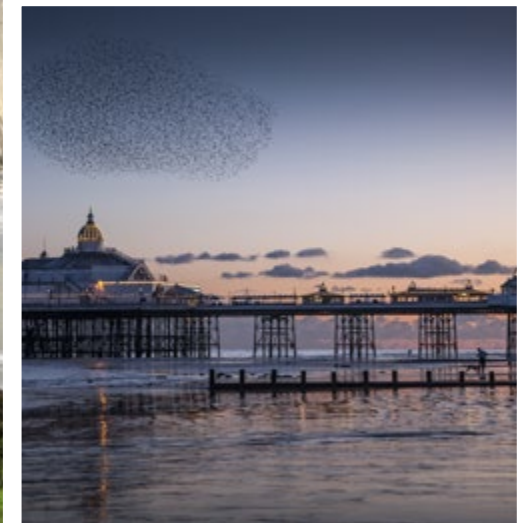
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Website links

<https://www.bsms.ac.uk/research/primary-care-and-population-health/index.aspx>



NIHR Applied Research Collaboration Kent, Surrey and Sussex

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) is the nation's largest funder of health and care research and provides the people, facilities and technology that enables research to thrive.

NIHR Applied Research Collaborations (ARCs) support applied health and care research that responds to, and meets, the needs of local populations and local health and care systems.

The NIHR ARC Kent Surrey Sussex is one of 15 ARCs across England, part of a £135 million investment by the NIHR to improve the health and care of patients and the public.

Led by Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust and Professor Stephen Peckham at the University of Kent, the ARC KSS will focus on regional challenges including:

- Significant social deprivation, mainly located in our coastal towns
- Numerous GP practice closures resulting in a high GP to patient ratio
- Higher than average children in care, unaccompanied asylum-seeking children, and young people with self-harm and emotional problems

- A higher proportion of older people
- The highest concentration of people with dementia in the UK.

Research Themes:

- Social care: person-centred, community based social care. Led by Professor Julien Forder, University of Kent
- Starting Well: Early detection and Intervention of Mental Health Problems in Children and Young People. Led by Professor David Fowler, University of Sussex
- Primary and Community Health Services: Sustainable and integrated care focusing on people with chronic conditions and marginalised groups. Led by Professor Harm Van Marwijk, Brighton and Sussex Medical School
- Dementia: Translating research to better care to help people to live well with dementia. Led by Dr Naji Tabet, Brighton and Sussex Medical School.

These themes will be supported by the following additional cross-cutting activities to support and ensure delivery of our mission:

- Co-production: Involving and working with patients and the public to produce relevant research. Led by Professor Patricia Wilson, University of Kent
- Public Health: Improving health and reducing need among older patients with multiple conditions and younger people at time of transition. Led by Professor Jackie Cassell, Brighton and Sussex Medical School
- Digital Innovation: Harnessing digital technology to help create a sustainable health and social care system. Led by Dr Jo Armes, University of Surrey
- Health and Social Care Economics: using best practice to efficiently fund health and social care services of benefit to patients. Led by Professor Heather Gage, University of Surrey.

Nationally Available Training Placements (NATPs)

In addition to the training placements on offer on the Kent, Surrey, Sussex training programme, registrars can apply to a Nationally Available Training Placement (NATP) with support of the Head of School/Training Programme Director. Registrars will need to follow the KSS approval process for a request to undertake these placements if successful in their application.

The Faculty of Public Health highlight that “Nationally Available Training Placements (NATPs) offer Public Health Specialty Registrars (StRs) opportunities to acquire specific additional or contextual experience at a national level and develop specialist leadership knowledge and skills”.

NATPs can include placements at the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence, The Health Foundation, Department of Health and Social Care; Children, Families and Communities Teams. The list of placements on offer is updated on a regular basis.

The Faculty of Public Health will be undertaking a review of the NATPs in the future. Details of the NATPs and the list of current NATPs on offer can be found on the Faculty of Public Health website:
www.fph.org.uk/training-careers/specialty-training/training-placements/nationally-available-training-placements/.

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