

South East Buddy scheme for Black and South Asian applicants to the Public Health Specialty training

In the South East, as part of our ongoing efforts to ensure our public health specialist workforce reflects the diverse communities we live and work in, a new Buddy Scheme will be launching specifically designed for applicants from black or South Asian backgrounds, who are planning to apply to Public Health Specialty training from Thursday October 26th 2024 - Thursday November 23rd 2024 . This scheme will cover the NHS Schools of Public Health regions of Kent Surrey Sussex (KSS); Thames Valley (TV) and Wessex* (WX).

Applicants will be paired with a buddy who is currently on the Public Health Specialty training programme (of any ethnic background) and will be provided with support and guidance through the application process.

To be eligible to receive a buddy you will be:

- Currently living or working in the South East region (the counties of Kent, Surrey, Sussex, Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire, Berkshire, Hampshire, and Isle of Wight)
- From a black or South Asian background
- Planning to apply for Public Health specialty training in October 2024.

We will have a limited number of places available on the buddy scheme. If the scheme is oversubscribed, places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Registration to the South East Buddy Scheme will be open from Monday 7th October 2024 at 9am until Sunday 20th October 2024 at 9pm.

Please see registration form [HERE](#)

Buddy Scheme information event. [Friday 11th October 2024 – 5pm to 6pm](#) click link to join the event.

This is a separate event with just buddy scheme information. We recommend you also register to attend one of the recruitment information evenings [HERE](#), registration form [HERE](#) to receive a link

Information about the Public Health Specialty training programme in the South East is available at:

* The geographic areas the Wessex School of Public Health are Hampshire and Isle of Wight only.

[KSS School of Public Health](#)
[Wessex School of Public Health](#)
[Thames Valley School of Public Health](#)



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