Core Priorities

Risks

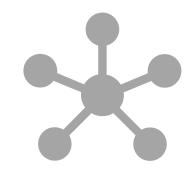
NW Workforce Strategy 25-26

What has informed the Strategy?



Workforce Priorities identified by system partners at the Workforce Matters Workshop including DPHs with links to ADPH, HEE, ICBs and LA workforce leads.

Vision: A workforce that recognises itself and its strengths, that is resilient and well prepared to transcend team and organisational boundaries to create a health promoting region



The four core OHID Places and Regions priorities, (Next Slide)

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Workforce intelligence for supply and demand:

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- Provide regional perspective and intelligence of public health workforce and system challenges, including public health commissioned services

Assurance, audit and professional standards:

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Developing capacity and capability:

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- ii. Support public health practitioner registration by staff training as assessors and verifiers and encouraging own staff to register
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- iv. Developing career pathways for new entrants to PH 17 -19

OHID Core Priorities

Summary of NW priorities 25/26

Da	back on HEE Workforce ata Survey Report to porate NW perspective	Increase data collection survey completion when issued	Continue to advocate for system support for those undertaking the UKPHR Specialist Portfolio	Continue to support CPD opportunities for the Specialist Portfolio in conjunction with peer support group and Registrar Network Group
enga Appre witl supp	ve forward employer gement with the L6 PH nticeship, in conjunction n strategic partners to porting establishing 6th hort of NW students	Support and development of the NW UKPHR Practitioner Registration Scheme	Identify and share CPD opportunities across the NW region	Deliver PH Taster Sessions
	ate career pathways to erate new recruitment	Share learning and good practice across the region	Talent management for aspiring DPHs	Supporting new DPHs

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Sub-Objectives	Lead or Support	Action	Commencing	Metrics
Implementation of NW regional workforce plan developed with local system partners	Lead in conjunction with WT&E	Liaise with system partners to develop workstreams from identified priorities	June 25	Agreed plan with working groups established by June 25

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Feedback on HEE Workforce Data Survey Report to incorporate NW perspective	Lead	Liaise with system partners to enable feedback to WT&E	March 25	NW perspective available for next survey report
Increase data collection survey completion	Lead	Liaise with LAs to encourage completion of data survey and identify how to overcome barriers to completion	25/26	Survey completion rate of 90% achieved

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Sub-Objectives	Lead or Support	Action	Commencing	Metrics
Drive forward employer engagement with the L6 PH Apprenticeship in conjunction with strategic partners with a view to supporting establishing 6th cohort of NW students.	Lead	Deliver Apprenticeship webinar to local employers to promote engagement	April 23	Webinar delivered with NW employers engaged

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Development of UKPHR Specialist Support Group	Lead	Identify opportunities for CPD and future funding / support	April 2025	Future funding / support secured
Support and development of the Support NW UKPHR Practitioner Registration Scheme		Being an OHID lead for the scheme through the NW Practitioner steering group Effectively working in partnership with the scheme co-Ordinator to develop and improve the programme and recruit assessors and verifiers	March 2025	Increase numbers of assessors and verifiers
Identify and share CPD opportunities across the NW region	Support	Liasing with WT&E and regional acadamies to share CPD opportunities sub- regional and pan-regionaly as required	March 2025	CPD opportunities shared on a regular basis via the Workforce Matters Group
Deliver PH Taster Sessions	Lead	Continue to deliver twice yearly PH Taster Sessions for Specialists and develop a Taster Session for wider entry	June 2025	Two Taster sessions delivered in 2025
Create career pathways to generate new recruitment	Lead	Promote career pathways in to PH that are relevant to schools and colleges	September 2025	Foundations laid to continue this workstream
Talent management	Support	Liaise with DPHs for nominating and developing via an ALS prospective DPHs from across the system	June 25	Group established by March 26
Supporting new DPHs	Support	Liaise with DPHs for developing support network for those new in DPH posts	June 25	Network established by



PH NW collaborative as Workforce Matters group governance

Funding

Communications



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Risks: Diminishing support for the Workforce Matters group over the course of time due to conflicting priorities

Mitigation: Work closely with WT&E and CPD leads to ensure future engagement from the group and input in to identified workstreams

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Risk: Low completion rate for data survey

Mitigation: Engage with DPHs to clarify importance of survey and how to overcome challenges to completion

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Risk: Low engagement with Apprenticeship

Mitigation: Utilise case studies to share success stories of apprenticeship, ensure system partners are kept aware of developments in this area and understand their role in making the Apprenticeship a successful development route

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Risk: Funding not secured for UKPHR Specialist Portfolio support

Mitigation: NW would become one of the minority of regions that has not secured funding for this route and would need to justify why this is the case

Risk: Shortage of Assessors and Verifiers for UKPHR Practitioner Portfolio

Mitigation: Ensure system partners are aware of employer obligation to encourage contribution in this area