



## NATIONALLY AVAILABLE TRAINING PLACEMENTS

'Nationally Available Training Placements' (NATP) 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.

These placements will be listed on the Faculty website to signpost Registrars to these organisations. The local deanery processes for approval of a Registrar request for undertaking these placements apply.

The Faculty of Public Health will add placements to the list which will meet the following criteria.

**Criteria:**

The Placement must offer unique training opportunities which are not available locally

It is a GMC approved placement

The host organisation approves

Application is supported by the local heads of school / training programme director

The placement is Advertised to all registrars nationally with a fair selection process



**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM IN BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS**

Please complete and return the signed form to [educ@fph.org.uk](mailto:educ@fph.org.uk). Please ensure that all sections are completed.

**SECTION 1: CONTACT DETAILS**

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**SECTION 2: PLACEMENT DETAILS**

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<b>ADDRESS</b>			
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TOWN / CITY:	London	POSTCODE:	NW9 5EQ
<b>IS THIS IS A GMC APPROVED PLACEMENT</b>	Yes		
<b>PLACEMENT DURATION</b>	6 Months <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12 months <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Please provide details <b>Placement duration minimum 6 months and can be extended to 12 months</b>		



<b>REGION/DEANERY</b>	London
<b>IS THE PLACEMENT AVAILABLE EVERY YEAR ?</b>	Yes
<b>PLEASE PROVIDE DETAILS OF THE UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES THIS PLACEMENT OFFER TO SPECIALTY REGISTRARS?</b>	
<p>United Kingdom Health Security Agency's (UKHSA) mission is to provide health security for the nation by protecting it from infectious disease and external hazards. We advise the government and the public, focusing on reducing inequalities in the way different communities experience and are impacted by infectious diseases, environmental hazards, and other threats to health.</p> <p>The UKHSA TARZET division covers TB, acute respiratory, zoonosis, emerging infection and travel health. The division's role is to protect the public from respiratory, imported, emerging and novel infections through world-leading public health microbiology and virology, outbreak response, surveillance, research and interventions. As part of this role you will be working alongside the other units within the TARZET division.</p> <p>The training placement with TARZET aims to provide public health trainees with the unique opportunity to enhance their knowledge and skills in public health microbiology, epidemiology, outbreak response and research within with topic areas of the TARZET divisions. This placement provides a fantastic opportunity to work in a fast-paced national role and contribute to the UKHSA priorities on emerging infections, respiratory disease and international travel health. The placement can accommodate up to two registrars at one time.</p> <p>There will be opportunity to work across all the divisions teams within TARZET; a brief outline of each team is given below:</p> <p><b>TB Unit</b></p> <p>The TB Unit plays a crucial role in the control of TB in England and it committed to improving the prevention, detection and control of TB in line with the TB action plan <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/tuberculosis-tb-action-plan-for-england">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/tuberculosis-tb-action-plan-for-england</a></p> <p><b>Travel Health and International Health Regulations (IHR)</b></p> <p>The Travel Health team contribute to the health of UK travellers and travellers to the UK through surveillance, information, teaching and research. The team also provides expert advice to government agencies about infectious disease risks in countries where UK residents may travel to, or be living, in response to international public health events and/or natural disasters. The team works closely with National Travel Health Network and Centre and the Advisory Committee on Malaria Prevention.</p> <p>The International Health Regulations (IHR) Team hosts the National Focal Point (NFP) for all of UK territory under WHO IHR and acts as the EU focal point. It is responsible for communicating with WHO / European Commission on events that may have international public health significance; disseminating information from WHO regarding international events with potential significance to the UK; and communicating with NFPs in other Member States regarding international contact tracing</p>	



### **Emerging Infection and Zoonosis**

Emerging Infections and Zoonoses Team undertake a range of activities related to emerging infections and zoonoses. These include international horizon scanning for global events of concern to UK; routine surveillance of some zoonotic diseases; guidance for HPTs and other partners; and incident response support as subject matter experts for zoonoses and HCIDs. We work closely with international and cross-Government partners as well as other TARZET and UKHSA teams.

### **Acute Respiratory**

The acute respiratory team undertake activities relating respiratory diseases including avian influenzas. The team follow up notifications of avian influenza and exposed persons. The team work closely with the Animal and Plant Health Authority APHA on these situations.

Trainees will be able to apply a wide range of public health skills such as negotiating and influencing, strategic leadership and collaborative working across organisations, appropriate use of public health evidence, supporting and developing national guidance documents, outbreaks and incidences across a wide range of settings.

The placement will enable trainees to gain additional experience in:

- The key role of the TARZET division in UKHSA
- The role of public health microbiology including Whole Genome Sequencing specifically within TB cluster investigation
- Detecting and responding to novel infections such as avian influenza and their transmission pathways and control measures
- A detailed understanding effective interventions in outbreak control both in response to an acute incident and in the longer term
- Developing the evidence base and writing national level guidance documents and cross UKHSA working
- Experience of international liaison on contact tracing and communication on events with international public health importance

Trainees will be primarily based with the UKHSA TARZET division and there may be opportunities for trainee to spend some of their working time with other teams as agreed with the educational supervisor.

**EQUAL ACCESS ARRANGEMENTS** (Please explain how you would ensure this placement is accessible to all suitable trainees across the UK)

UKHSA TARZET division supports remote and hybrid working which supports trainees joining from all locations across England. Some travel and work from the London base may be expected for 1-2 days a week depending on the location of the trainee and will be discussed with trainees and educational supervisor. .

UKHSA TARZET division also support flexible working as per existing arrangements.

There is no out-of-hours requirement for this placement. Trainees may stay on existing regional health protection on call rotas as agreed with the training programme.



Costs	Who is responsible for costs (please 'X' the appropriate section)		
	Placement Provider	Deanery/Employer	Trainee
Basic salary costs		X	
On Call Costs		X	
Out of hours salary cost (if appropriate)		X	
Subsistence (travel and accommodation) to attend placement		X Depending on individual Deanery's excess travel policy	
Subsistence (travel and accommodation) related to work undertaken on the placement	X		
Who indemnifies for 3 <sup>rd</sup> party claims		X	
Who will be responsible for Health & Safety at work?	X		
Who authorises study leave? How much time is allowed?	X		
Who funds study leave expenses?		X Depending on individual Deanery's excess travel policy	



SECTION 3: PROJECT DETAILS

PLEASE PROVIDE OR ATTACH A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT/S .

Examples of Projects with the TARZET Division

- Leading on the development of guidance and proposed change in public health management of case and contacts
- Working with stakeholders across government on response to emerging infections risk assessment
- Undertaking evidence review to support classification of a new disease
- Supporting the implementation of clinical governance and audit programmes within the team
- Leading on public facing guidance for key emerging and zoonotic infections
- Supporting national enhanced incidents related to emerging infections
- Establishing and developing a technical group to monitor emerging disease threats
- Supporting the public health management of complex TB cases and outbreaks identified through whole genome sequencing (WGS)
- Delivering work and outputs in relation to the UKHSA and NHSE TB Action Plan
- Work as part of the International Health Regulations (IHR) UK national focal point, for examples communicating with WHO on events that may have international public health significance
- Contribute to ensuring UK compliance with the IHR, including assisting with the annual self-assessment tool to WHO
- Contribute to national surveillance and reporting of key travel-associated infections
- Participate in the analysis of data from existing enhanced surveillance systems (malaria, enteric fever) and contribute to the development of enhanced surveillance for other key travel-associated infections
- Support UKHSA role in the public health management of Avian Influenza situations

LEARNING OUTCOMES (please provide the list of learning outcomes which can be achieved during this placement. the learning outcomes are available can be accessed at [such as](#)

Please tick the appropriate box 'P' or 'F' to show which Learning Outcomes will be partially be achieved or fully achieved.

Number	Description	P	F
	This placement will encompass all the key learning areas within the FPH curriculum.  Key learning outcomes will be discussed with the trainee prior to commencing the placement in order to		



	meet the specific learning outcomes required by the trainee.  Key areas with specific focus:  Key area 3 - policy and strategy development and implementation  Key area 4 - strategic leadership and collaborative working for health  Key area 10 – integration and application of competences for consultant practice		

#### SECTION 4: SUPERVISION DETAILS

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<b>NAME OF THE CLINICAL /ACTIVITY SUPERVISOR(S) (IF DIFFERENT FROM EDUCATIONAL SUPERVISOR)</b>	Phillip Veal Consultant Epidemiologist , Travel Health & IHR team
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## SECTION 4: SELECTION DETAILS

<b>Application Deadline (if start date is fixed)</b>	
<b>Selection Procedure</b> (please provide details of the application process for trainees). The Advertisement can be circulated via Faculty of Public Health)	
<p>Interested applicants should email <a href="mailto:suzi.coles@ukhsa.gov.uk">suzi.coles@ukhsa.gov.uk</a> to set up an initial phone call to discuss this placement area.</p> <p>Following this call, an application is to be submitted to the contact details above which must include an expression of interest cover letter and your current CV (max 2 sides a4). Your cover letter (no more than one side a4) must include why you are interested in applying for this placement and what you expect to gain from the opportunity including how this placement will meet your training needs.</p> <p>You will also require a letter of support from your training programme director.</p> <p>Placements are available full time or part time subject to current contract.</p>	
<b>Person Specification</b> (Please provide details including experience required below or attach with this application)	
<p>Essential for public health registrars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be on a formally accredited specialist training programme.</li><li>• Have completed The Faculty of Public Health Diplomate Examination (DFPH) and I Membership Examination (MFPH).</li><li>• Must have satisfactory progression through annual assessments (ARCP).</li><li>• Have agreement from their training programme director that this is a suitable training opportunity.</li><li>• Be available for a period of up to 6 or 12 months.</li></ul> <p>Desirable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Demonstrable interest in focus areas for TARZET.</li><li>• A broad-based public health or clinical experience to date.</li><li>• Strong skills in communication of complex issues to a variety of audiences.</li><li>• Aptitude for collaborative leadership across organisational boundaries.</li></ul>	



## SECTION 5: SIGNATURES

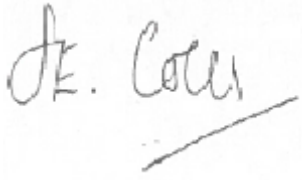
### HEAD OF SCHOOL / TRAINING PROGRAMME DIRECTOR

Is this application supported?      Y       N

HoS/ TPD SIGNATURE	
REGION/DEANERY	London
DATE	08/12/2023

### HOST ORGANISATION

Is this application supported?      Y       N

SIGNATURE	
DESIGNATION	TARZET – UKHSA
DATE	09/10/2023