

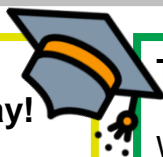
The NHS Cadet Gazette

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A huge congratulations, NHS Cadets, on completing the Foundation pathway!



This past year has brought extra challenges and finishing the pathway in these unique circumstances is a testament to your resilience and dedication.

As an NHS Cadet, you've developed your teamwork and communication skills, explored healthcare roles and environments, and built your CV; not to mention learning First Aid and other key skills that will be essential when volunteering in healthcare. Many of you also took part in virtual volunteering opportunities. You should be incredibly proud of these achievements!

You'll receive a certificate and pin badge as recognition of your accomplishment, so showcase them with pride. Wear your pin badge whenever you volunteer with the NHS, and share your certificate with future employers to tell them all about NHS Cadets.



We hope you will all sign up to an Advanced pathway which is open to you from ages 16-18. In the meantime, this newsletter outlines various opportunities that you can get involved in. These will not only look great on your CV but will set you up for future volunteering or work with the NHS.

Thank you...

We'd like to say a **big thank you to all our delivery staff** who have worked tirelessly to ensure the NHS Cadets programme ran to its full potential.

Although the team initially prepared for face-to-face delivery, they quickly adjusted and found creative ways to deliver the programme virtually. Our latest findings show that 96% of NHS Cadets trusted delivery staff and 94% felt supported by them.



Reflections

Many of you took part in surveys throughout the year to share your perspectives on NHS Cadets. In our latest findings, we found that:

- 94% of you were very or quite satisfied with the programme
- 100% of you felt everyone treated each other with respect
- 88% of you are more confident in securing volunteering or a health-related job



NHS Cadets Youth Advisory Group

We're recruiting 4 young people for an exciting opportunity to join the Youth Advisory Group. You will represent the voice of NHS Cadets, supporting the project team to suggest solutions to problems, manage changes and reduce risks by applying the skills you've learnt on the programme. The deadline for applications is **Monday 9th August**.

For more information contact NHScadets@sja.org.uk

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iDEA Award

iDEA helps you develop skills in employability, enterprise, and the digital world. Together, NHS Cadets have now completed over 500 iDEA badges!

A massive congratulations to all of you who have taken on the challenge - whether you've just started your first badge, or even completed your Bronze or Silver award.

Remember that you can gain an extra badge when you sign up using the code:

SJANHSCADET. The competition is now on, as we've created a new code for project teams too: **NHSCADETLEADER**. We encourage you all to take part – it's free, with no upper age limit!

Check out iDEA's [shiny new video](#) to find out more.

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Healthcare Career Lecture Series

St John is hosting a series of free virtual talks for young people, which will take place every Thursday evening until the end of August. The sessions explore topics like Paediatric medicine, Multi-Disciplinary Teams and Emergency Care.

It will be a great opportunity for you to ask questions and hear from those with first-hand experience! You will also receive a certificate for each session you join.

If you're interested, sign up using [this online form](#).

CVQO BTEC: Teamwork & Personal Development in the Community



St John offers a fully-funded Level 2 BTEC to help you showcase your skills in teamwork, communication and volunteering. It's a brilliant course to help show off your transferable skills to future employers. Plus, all your hard work on NHS Cadets and DofE can count towards the BTEC!

We encourage you to apply if your birthdate falls between 1st Sept 2002 and 31st Aug 2005. Induction starts in early August, so this is the perfect time to start considering whether you'd like to sign up.

[Click here to find out more.](#)

The DofE Award

is a great way to build your skill set and meet new people.

Ask your Project Lead for more information on doing your DofE, and how to register.

