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University of Sheffield Medicine Expansion

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Aim of expansion

To respond to local and national workforce needs, the strategic aim of the expansion is to further increase the number of South Yorkshire trained graduates, who would be more likely to remain to work in the region and in specialties of greatest need (i.e. General Practice)



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Widening Participation

Nationally recognised proxies for disadvantage and under-representation in higher education.

WP criteria

- parental occupation
- school type
- eligibility for free school meals
- first generation to enter HE
- Indices of Multiple Deprivation (“IMD” - based on postcode)
- specific criteria (in local authority care, disabled or specific learning difficulty, under- represented ethnic or gender group)



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- 78% of SOAMS graduates practice medicine in the Y&H region and 40% are GPs.



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Expansion Aspiration

- Increase exposure to community based medicine, i.e. 20% of the entire 5 year MBChB programme for all students
- Additionally cohort to select an additional community based placement strand (Community Longitudinal Integrated Placement - CLIP)
 - Rotherham Pilot in 2022



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What does it mean for us

- Opportunity for a 'root cause' solution to GP recruitment needs
- More of collaboration of primary and secondary in medical education
- Providing GP placements to further inspire students into a career in general practice
- GP rather than consultant role models for students



Practice recruiting for expansion

- Recruiting more practices for teaching
- Explore how current training practices can benefit from the economies of scale of hosting two students



HEE funding

- Increased in HEE tariff funding by 75%
- Total practice payments for hosting one student per rotation in both phases throughout the year is **£28,500 (an increase from £16,120)**
- Double this for hosting two students at one time



Support for practice

- Regular funded training and CPD events
- Opportunities to be involved in medical education or attend funded course at the University
- University Honorary Clinical Lecturer status to GP tutors to recognise teaching excellence
- University GP Clinical tutors available to provide 1:1 support for practices and tutors



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