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GMTH Connect

Issue 4: March 2024

Welcome to the first GMTH Connect edition of 2024. This edition shines the spotlight on four of the fantastic programmes which are available to colleagues within GM, introduces some of the team, explaining their roles... and a variety of updates and good news stories from our partners.

Fellowship and Supporting Mentors schemes are closing!

The NHSE GP and GPN Fellowships and Supporting Mentors Schemes will close on **31 March**. Eligible applications will still be processed up to **31 March** (applicants must be in a current post).

If you wish to join the GP fellowship or Supporting Mentors programmes or learn more about them; visit [here](#), or to express interest in the GPN Fellowship visit [here](#).

Please do not hesitate to email the Greater Manchester Training Hub at gmath@gmfeds.co.uk if you have any further queries.



Congratulations to **Kumar Family Practice** in Wigan on being shortlisted for this year's Nursing Times Awards for the Student Placement of the Year. Learn more about the awards [here](#).

Polypharmacy Programme

Polypharmacy aims to support local systems and primary care to identify patients at potential risk of harm and support better conversations about medicines by promoting shared decision making.

The programme is open to everyone including **patients and healthcare professionals**.

Find out more about the Polypharmacy Programme and the resources available [here](#).

Polypharmacy: 
getting the balance right

MECC Train the Trainer

Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 April

Make Every Contact Count (MECC) aims to help people make healthier choices by supporting **social care workforce** staff to engage in positive conversations about mental health and wellbeing with people they interact with everyday.

To register your interest, scan the QR code or [click here](#).





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Phoenix GP

Are you a mid-career GP looking for new opportunities?

Do you feel at risk of burnout?

Let us energise you, inspire you and turn your job back into a career!

The Phoenix GP is a fully-funded career development and leadership programme designed specifically for mid-career GPs working in Greater Manchester.

The six-month course consists of six two-hour evening events, delivered over Microsoft Teams.

Workshops include:

- Fundamentals of quality improvement
- Change management
- Engagement and facilitating people and more

Applications close
Thursday, 7 March.
Express your interest by
clicking [here](#)



Do you enjoy learning about different roles? Click [here](#) to listen to the experience of a learner on the Trainee Nursing Associate programme giving feedback about what they enjoyed about the role.

Apprenticeships

Are you interested in becoming an Apprentice? GMTH support a number of clinical and non-clinical apprenticeships.

Apprenticeships provide a learning journey that combines education with practical experience, working alongside experienced staff and mentors. Developing and learning with the added benefit of earning a salary whilst working towards qualification. Visit [here](#) for more information.

GMTH's very own Communication Assistant, Jamie Holt reflects on his personal apprenticeship experience; listen by clicking [here](#).



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Coaching and Mentoring

Are you a GP working in Greater Manchester seeking mentorship from an experienced GP?

GPs who have worked with a mentor in the past have found the experience incredibly valuable. Whether you are a locum or salaried, partner or PCN Clinical Director and feel you would benefit from mentoring then express your interest [here](#).

“Excellent course with a good balance of theory and opportunity to practice new mentoring skills.”

Coaching and Mentoring
Cohort Graduate



We would like to say thank you to the locality Integrated Care Board leads for their continued help with the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) training sessions. Find out which sessions are supported [here](#).

Advanced Clinical Practitioner (ACP)

Are you interested in an ACP role?

The application for funding from NHSE is now closed, however anyone wishing to be added to the waiting list can do so [here](#), or contact GMTH’s ACP Lead Wendy Winnard.

Wendy Winnard

Advanced Clinical Practice Lead

w.winnard@nhs.net

Greater Manchester ACP Forum

Thursday 18, April at 12pm to 1.15pm.

Are you a Trainee Advanced Clinical Practitioner (ACP) or recently qualified ACP working within Greater Manchester Primary Care?

Sign up for the forum [here](#).

“Great session and glad to see this now in GM for ACPs. Really enjoyed the case discussions and initial talks on options around GM.”

Recent ACP Forum attendee





Meet the team

Here, we put some faces to the names of the people working within the GMTH team.



Joey Hetherington

Project Manager

I started with GMTH in November 2023 as Project Manager for the Fairer Health for All programme. In this time, I've worked closely with members of the primary care and voluntary sectors to enhance their knowledge in public health through various CPD sessions and helped guide them in navigating the early stages of their fellowship. I enjoy the fast-paced landscape of this fellowship and helping develop people's project management skills.

Outside of work, I have recently developed a love of fitness following a significant weight loss journey. I also like travelling – having four trips already booked over the next 12 months and music.

Hannah Farrell

Information Analyst

My name is Hannah, and I am an Information Analyst. I'm a bit of an Excel nerd and will probably try and turn anything in life into a spreadsheet.

I undertake data analysis, produce reports, and create and develop databases for various members of the GMTH team. I have most recently begun a Level 6 Degree Apprenticeship in Data Science and I am incredibly excited to see how this can enhance my skillset and what I can contribute to GMTH.

When I'm not in a blackhole of data/Power BI dashboards, you can usually find me with my poodle Wilma stuck to my hip!



Connor Hilton

Placement Coordinator

I started with both the NHS and Greater Manchester Training Hub in June 2021. I'm one of the Placement Co-Ordinators working with the Universities and GP practices across the whole of Greater Manchester.

I arrange on-site placements for various Clinical Non-Medical Prescribing learners, enabling them to learn first-hand the demands and opportunities present in the world of primary care. I'm the head administrator for the Northwest Wider Workforce Clinical Supervisor Course – an RCGP accredited, 2-day, virtual event available to any general practice clinicians working at advanced practice level who wish to kickstart their training career and begin supervising in a primary care environment.



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GMTH on the road...

January: New to Primary Care Clinical Skills Day

In January we welcomed our learners on the New to Primary Care (N2PC) programme to their Clinical Skills session. We looked at case studies and discussed how these skills can support others within their role.

Learn about the N2PC programme [here](#).



February: Fairer Health for All Programme Launch (FHfA)

It was great to welcome our first cohort of fellows who started their journey in developing knowledge and skills in population health, inclusion and sustainability as part of the FHfA programme launch. Find out more about the programme [here](#).

February: Stockport Targeted Placement Expansion Programme (TPEP)

GMTH facilitated a session about the difference an integrated multidisciplinary team approach can make to people living in Stockport. As part of the TPEP project the group performed roleplay sessions showcasing different scenarios of care needs and delivery and a variety of outcomes.





Events and Programmes

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Mar 2024					1	2	3
	4	5	6 GP Fellowship – Basic HR and Interviewing Skills	7 Fellowship programme closing	8	9	10
	11 Nutrition and Hydration Week	12	13 Day 1 – Wider Workforce Clinical Supervisor Course	14	15	16	17
	18	19	20	21 GM Primary Care Summit	22	23	24
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Apr 2024	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12 Day 2 – Wider Workforce Clinical Supervisor Course	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22 Make Every Contact Count – Day 1	23 British Sign Language – CPD session	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30 Annual Immunisation – CPD session					

Thank you for taking the time to read the latest edition of GMTH Connect. We hope you found it interesting. Your feedback is important to us, please let us know what you think, and any suggestions for future editions.

Please click [here](#) to fill out a short survey or scan the QR code.





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See below a list of programmes available via GMTH and contact details of the team:

Our Programme	Contact
Advanced Clinical Practice	Wendy Winnard: w.winnard@nhs.net Carla Slater: Carla.slater1@nhs.net
Apprenticeships	Carla Slater: Carla.slater1@nhs.net
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