## **Health and Social Care Virtual Work Experience Resources**

Work experience and pre-employment activity can support an organisation's workforce supply strategy and offer a link to routes into health and social care careers.

Over the past year or so, many of the usual work experience opportunities offered by our health and social care employers have been impacted by the COVID pandemic.

Online or virtual work experience offers have been developed across most sectors. Health Education England (HEE) have enabled third party providers of virtual work experience to demonstrate their health and social care programmes to the National Work Experience Network, which the Workforce Consortium is part of. These virtual programmes are summarised below, with links to further information provided<sup>i</sup>.

**Springpod** – provide virtual work experience programmes across a range of sectors and have worked with several NHS trusts to provide bespoke work experience programmes in Nursing, AHP, Medicine, Healthcare and Support roles. A summary of these programmes can be found here



More information can be found at: www.springpod.co.uk

**Uptree** – is a professional network connecting young people and employers who have developed programmes for NHS employers. A summary of Uptree's work can be found here



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More information can be found at: https://uptree.co/

**Pathway CTM** – works with students, schools and employers across the UK to bring employment opportunities to school and college leavers. Pathway cTM have worked with HEE and NHS Trusts to develop virtual work experience offers. More details can be found here



More information can be found at: https://pathwayctm.com/



**Speakers For Schools** – are a charity and provide free access to many of their services for educators and young people. More details of their Virtual work Experience Programme can be found at:

https://www.speakersforschools.org/experience-2/vwex/

**Medic Mentor** - is a non-profit social enterprise made up of a UK wide network of Doctors, Medical Students, Secondary Students, parents and teachers supporting the Doctors of tomorrow by connecting mentors with students. More information can be found at: <a href="https://medicmentor.co.uk/">https://medicmentor.co.uk/</a>

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