

## Information for pharmacy undergraduates

## Summer vacation placements 2021

Question:	Answer:
Name of Trust	King's College Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust
How many vacation placements do you have for 2021?	4
Is the vacation experience paid or unpaid?	<i>Unpaid</i>
Do you prioritise specific types of students? (eg 3 <sup>rd</sup> years) If yes, please provide details	3 <sup>rd</sup> year pharmacy undergraduates
When do applications open?	4/1/21
When do application close?	29/1/21
How should I apply for a vacation placement?	Please send application using the HEE template to William Swain via email (William.swain3@nhs.net) between the dates above.
When is the interview date?	There will not be an interview process. Successful candidates will be contacted by email/phone.
When will I be notified if I have been successful?	26 <sup>th</sup> February
Who should I contact for more information or send the application to?	William Swain on; William.swain3@nhs.net
<b>Further information on the Trust:</b>	

The Pharmacy Department at King's College Hospital supplies all the medicines used across multiple hospital sites and dispenses more than 650,000 items each year. We advise medical and nursing staff on which medicines to use and how to use them, and advise patients on managing their medicines.

The current situation with regards to COVID-19 has presented one of the most unique and challenging times for the Trust and the pharmacy department staff have played a key role in ensuring that patient care remains at a high standard. Unfortunately, social distancing rules have meant that we have had to review how we run our services, to minimise transmission of the virus. Whilst this has been a challenge, it has also presented new opportunities, such as us now having far more cross site meetings that can be accessed remotely.

We are looking for applicants that are keen to learn and can embrace this new way of working. We are looking for people that will make the most from a difficult situation and see opportunities where others might only see challenges.