

## Information for pharmacy undergraduates

## Summer vacation placements 2023

Question:	Answer:
Name of Trust/Cluster	Croydon Health Services NHS Trust
How many vacation placements do you have for 2023?	8
Is the vacation experience paid or unpaid?	Unpaid
Do you prioritise specific types of students? (eg 3 <sup>rd</sup> years) If yes, please provide details	Placements are <b>open to all years</b> . 4 places will be available for 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> year students. 4 places will be available for 3 <sup>rd</sup> year students.
When do applications open?	5 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
When do application close?	3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2023
How should I apply for a vacation placement?	Download and complete a copy of the application form, from HEE LaSE website Send a completed copy of the application form to <a href="mailto:abbas.alidina@nhs.net">abbas.alidina@nhs.net</a>
When is the interview date?	N/A
When will I be notified if I have been successful?	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2023

<p>Who should I contact for more information or send the application to?</p>	<p><b>Abbas Alidina</b></p> <p><b>Principal Pharmacist, Education &amp; Training Lead, Croydon Health Services NHS Trust</b></p> <p>  Pharmacy Department   Croydon University Hospital   530 London Road   Croydon   CR7 7YE      Tel: <a href="tel:02084013000">0208 401 3000 ext 5276</a>   Internal: 5276    email: <a href="mailto:abbas.alidina@nhs.net">abbas.alidina@nhs.net</a>  </p>
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**Further information on the Trust:**

We provide a range of acute healthcare services across Croydon - either in hospital, patient’s own homes or from clinics and specialist centres. We are one of the leading trusts for Electronic Prescribing in the UK. Our passion and focus is on the education, training, and development of trainees through an innovative and continually improving training programme. We pride ourselves on the high level of support provided for our trainees, including individual mentors to work alongside you.

We provide a broad, well-structured and comprehensive training programme allowing you to experience a range of different specialties and an insight into life as a Trainee Pharmacist at Croydon Health Services. The placement will include experience in cardiology, nephrology, endocrinology, respiratory, elderly care, surgery, medicines information, patient services and technical services/aseptics. You will also be involved with project work and a pharmaceutical care plan to apply your knowledge to practice and improve patient care.

For more information, see <https://www.croydonhealthservices.nhs.uk/search/service/pharmacy-139>

During the COVID-19 pandemic, we successfully ran placements **virtually** over the summer of 2019 and 2020. Ideally we would like placements to be in-person, however if the need arises, placements will be conducted virtually over Microsoft Teams.