

## Information for Pharmacy Undergraduates

## Summer Vacation Placements 2023

Question:	Answer:
Name of Trust/Cluster	Guy's and St. Thomas' Hospital NHS Foundation Trust and the Royal Brompton and Harefield Hospitals (all sites)
How many vacation placements do you have for 2023?	Between 20 and 40 Placements
Is the vacation experience paid or unpaid?	Unpaid
Do you prioritise specific types of students? (e.g. 3 <sup>rd</sup> years) If yes, please provide details	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Students Prioritised
When do applications open?	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2023
When do application close?	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2023
How should I apply for a vacation placement?	Send Application Form to <a href="mailto:chris.eaton@gstt.nhs.uk">chris.eaton@gstt.nhs.uk</a>
When is the interview date?	No Interviews
When will I be notified if I have been successful?	By Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2023
Who should I contact for more information or send the application to?	<a href="mailto:chris.eaton@gstt.nhs.uk">chris.eaton@gstt.nhs.uk</a>
<b>Further information on the Trust:</b>	
<p>Guy's and St. Thomas' Hospital NHS Foundation Trust is among the UK's busiest and most successful foundation Trusts, with a long history of high quality care, clinical excellence, research and innovation. We are part of King's Health Partners, one of only eight academic health sciences centres in England. St. Thomas' Hospital and the Evelina London Children's Hospital are located close to London Waterloo. Guy's Hospital is located next to London Bridge station.</p> <p>Website: <a href="http://www.gstt.nhs.uk">www.gstt.nhs.uk</a></p>	

The Royal Brompton and Harefield hospitals are the largest specialist heart and lung centre in the UK and among the largest in Europe. We are based at two sites; Royal Brompton Hospital in Chelsea, West London and Harefield Hospital near Uxbridge. The partnership of these two specialist hospitals are known throughout the world for their expertise, standard of care and research success.

Website: [www.rbht.nhs.uk](http://www.rbht.nhs.uk)

### About the scheme

We are offering a total of between 20 and 40 unpaid work experience placements which will be held between June and August 2023 for MPharm undergraduate students. These will be for a 4 week duration where you will be based at one of our sites. It is important when you complete the application form that you specify which sites you will be able to travel to for the duration of the placement as well as your availability for the months of June, July and August.

The successful applicant will be allocated to one of our teams who will oversee the placement and as well as a supervisor who will support you during your time with us. The aim of these placements are to provide an in-depth insight in to hospital pharmacy and the diverse range of roles for pharmacists and the wider pharmacy team.

A key focus of the placement will involve contribution to project work such as clinical audit, research, service evaluation or quality improvement as well as opportunities to visit a number of areas across the pharmacy department. This would include visits to a number of our in-patient wards and shadowing our specialist pharmacists in out-patient clinics as examples.

Our established programme comes highly recommended with several of our summer students returning each year as Trainee Pharmacists. A number of students have also had their work taken forwards and showcased locally and regionally.

Some placements may involve travelling across our sites and hospital transport is normally available. Confirmation of the exact nature of the placements will be confirmed prior to the proposed start dates.

## Applying for a placement

Applications are considered on merit and there will not be any interviews or selection tests. We only accept pharmacy summer placement application forms and these will form the basis of any offers. We **will not consider** blank or part-filled applications with a CV attached.

To help us plan and allocate supervisors it is important that you clearly state which month you will be available for your summer placement experience as well as which sites you would be able to work at.

As we receive a large number of applications, we are unable to contact everyone individually. If you do not receive a reply from us **4 weeks after the deadline has passed**, please assume that you have been unsuccessful.

We are asking for applications to be submitted **from 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2023 to the 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023** to [chris.eaton@gstt.nhs.uk](mailto:chris.eaton@gstt.nhs.uk)

Any applications received before or after this time window will **not** be considered.

These voluntary placements are only open to **UK pharmacy undergraduates** (i.e. students currently studying for an MPharm, or equivalent, degree programme).