



Who's in health?

Who's in Health? is a campaign to get thousands of people from the healthcare sector to volunteer to go into primary schools across the country and chat informally to children about their jobs. The aim is to help the children see the relevance of what they are learning at Key Stage 2 (aged 7–11), especially in science, maths and English, and to broaden and raise their future aspirations.

We would like as many medical students as possible to be involved in this project. Whether you already have experience of outreach work with young people or have never done it before, your talent and enthusiasm can be a fantastic motivator for children.

Signing up only takes a few minutes. From there you will be put in contact with primary schools and together you can determine how and where you might hold a session. The system for doing this is run by Primary Futures and is already up and running.

We are encouraging people to sign up over the summer and will be leading a big publicity push in October when Who's in Health? officially launches.

The Medical Schools Council is especially keen to get medical students, along with new and experienced doctors, signed up, but all health professionals are very welcome. If you have friends, relatives or colleagues in the wider health professions, in training or qualified, then their experience would benefit children greatly as well.

To learn more, see the [Primary Futures website](#). Volunteers can sign up at the top-right of the page.

Who's in Health? is run jointly by Education and Employers, the National Association of Head Teachers, and the Medical Schools Council.

If you have any questions please contact **Primary Futures** on 0207 566 4880 or charlotte.lightman@educationandemployers.org, or **Medical Schools Council** on 0207 419 5427 or edward.knight@medschools.ac.uk

Student competition

Alongside this, the Medical Schools Council is holding a competition for medical students to design a short and inspiring session for primary school children. In order to have a chance of winning you need to develop a 15 minute session or activity that can be delivered by a medical student or a doctor to pupils aged from seven to 11 across the UK. Your session should:

- **Be flexible so that medical students or doctors working in a range of specialties can deliver it**
- **Be fun and interactive to engage pupils**
- **Involve interesting props to which all doctors and students will have access**
- **Show how doctors use science, maths and reading and writing in their working lives**

You can submit a plan in a Word document or PDF which should be no longer than two sides of A4, or send us a video of yourself delivering some of the session.

There will be eight winners of the competition – each of whom will win £300! Winners will be invited to a prestigious launch event in London on 14 October 2015, and may also have their sessions presented, fully accredited, as inspirational material for other medical students and doctors who have signed up to Who's in Health?.

Entries will be shortlisted by an expert panel and the next stage of the competition will involve finalists videoing themselves presenting their sessions for the final round of judging.

The competition closing date is 31 July 2015. Please send your entries to admin@medschools.ac.uk

Health Ambassadors

A parallel initiative is being run by Health Education England with help from Education and Employers' Inspiring the Future platform. Its aim is to bring health ambassadors into schools and colleges to act as role models. Signing up for Who's in Health? will automatically link you to Health Ambassadors.



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