Specialty Training Opportunities in Public Health throughout England and Wales

Are you a doctor who:
• likes to look at the “bigger picture”
• is prepared to take action to promote healthy lifestyles
• wishes to prevent disease, to protect and improve general health
• would like to improve health care services?

Do you:
• possess the drive and vision to make all our lives better by improving how and where we live?
• enjoy finding evidence-based solutions to complex problems?
• believe that we all have the right to better health?

If so, a career in public health may be for you.

Consultants in public health serve the population, whether they are working for a rural community, a large city or the entire national population. The principles remain the same: prevention of ill health, promotion of healthy life styles and provision of good health care services.

We are looking for doctors who are ready to undertake this challenge. You may be:
• just completing your F2 training and looking for your first specialist training post or
• already in a specialist training post but beginning to realise that you would prefer to try and prevent disease rather than treat it when it is already established or
• already qualified in general practice or another specialty but looking for a change of career.

If any of these sounds like you, then you should investigate the possibility of training in public health.

For further information on Specialty Training please visit http://www.fph.org.uk/careers/default.asp

Selection into Public Health Specialty training in 2009 is by a nationally co-ordinated recruitment process. You are only required to submit one application for training programmes across England and Wales. Applications open at 12 midday on 5 January 2009 and will only be accepted through the National Recruitment to Public Health portal, please see http://www.eastmidlandsdeanery.nhs.uk for details.

Paper applications will not be accepted. Applications will close at 12 midday (GMT) Monday 19 January 2008.

The application process is a 3 step process, all of which will be run electronically: assessment centres (held on 18 February 2009 at various venues across the country), shortlisting, and selection centres (held between the 16 and 20 March 2009). Candidates wishing to apply should ensure they are available for these dates, as alternatives will not be provided. Invitations to Assessment Centres and Selection Centres will be made by email, and will require rapid responses.

Offers will be made from the 23 March and will be subject to a 48 hour acceptance window.

For further details of 2009 recruitment and the person specification please visit the Faculty of Public Health website. Please visit deanery websites for details of local posts and training programmes.

The Postgraduate Deans confirm that these placements and/or programmes have the required educational and Dean's approval.

This job is unlikely to attract a work permit. Applications from candidates who require a work permit to work in the UK may not be considered if there are a sufficient number of other suitable candidates, for detailed information please visit the Faculty website. Applicants can also visit http://www.bia.homeoffice.gov.uk/ for more information. Successful candidates will be required to apply for a Criminal Records Bureau check.