

For February 2017 GP ST1 applicants to HEE NW, we are able to offer Global Health Fellowship Opportunities as OOPE;

Global Health Fellowships

10 Fellowships will be available across HEE NW.

GP Training duration will be extended to 4 years with a 12-month placement (February to February) through [Africa Health Placements \(AHP\)](#) between years ST2 and ST3. Study leave will be granted to attend a local Crash Course in Overseas Medicine during ST2 (fees payable by the applicant) subject to availability.

The overseas Global Health placements will be with African Health Placements and will be paid at rates broadly equivalent to an NHS salary and Trainees will be given the opportunity to travel and work abroad with a colleague, spouse or partner and young children. Successful Global Health candidates will rotate through bespoke hospital posts. We will do our best to place Global Health trainees in balanced programmes with relevant experience such as Obstetrics & Gynaecology, Paediatrics and Emergency Medicine, but occasionally it may not be possible to provide all of these posts. The Global Health opportunities will be based equally across the HEE NW area. All successfully appointed candidates will return to a guaranteed ST3 post to complete GP Training.

It is NOT possible to work "less than full time" (LTFT) during the 12 month placement with AHP.

Additional information for Fellowships

All Global Health Fellows joining the HEE NW programme will be allocated a Global Health Mentor who will usually be an AHP Alumni. They will support them through the four years of their Global Health and GP training. They will also be allocated to a Global Health group (with a Global Health leader) on a geographical basis and will be expected to meet with their group on a bimonthly basis locally throughout ST1, ST2 and ST3. There will be a more formal Global Health Education half day twice a year (venue to be confirmed), when all Global Health Fellows in HEE NW will meet as a large group.

Global Health Trainees will be expected to keep a reflective diary and complete an audit or simple project during their OOPE placement with AHP in South Africa. There will be no formal assessment of competencies, and although the e-portfolio does not need to be completed, trainees will require an ARCP at the end of the OOPE. For this the trainee should upload an OOP Supervisor report to their Learning Log under course/certificate. The OOP Supervisor report template is [here](#).

Applicants with Primary Medical Degrees from outside the UK may not be eligible for registration with the HPCSA (South African GMC)

Applicants who will hold a Tier 2 Visa at the time of departure should seek advice from the appropriate governmental department ahead of application to ensure they are eligible to apply

and understand any restrictions that may occur from being outside of the United Kingdom for 12 months.

When Can I Apply?

Applications for the new Global Health Fellowships should be made at the time and alongside their application for ST1 GP Specialty Training within HEE North West. Details on how to apply are below.

How do I Apply?

Applications are to be made via the [Oriel system](#). Applications will open on 9th August 2016 at 10am and close on Thursday 25th August at 4pm.

At the same time you will be required to submit an application for GP Specialty Training via the National Recruitment process on Oriel. If you do not submit an application to ST1 via the National Recruitment process we will be unable to proceed with your application for a Global Health Fellowship.

Appointments to Global Health Fellowships are made via a competitive process and the responses to the questions in the completed application form will be scored.

Shortlisted Global Health applicants will be invited for interview in conjunction with invitation to Stage 3 of the National Recruitment Selection Centre.

Successful candidates will be paid on a nationally approved rate in local currency (salary in pound sterling depends on the exchange rate) during their time working in South Africa; and will be supported by both the School of Primary Care and AHP to have a life changing experience as well as the opportunity to make a significant difference to the health of a rural community. The School of Primary Care recognises that these placements benefit individual trainees, global health and the NHS.

Placements will be in rural South African hospitals. Currently most HESW trainees are placed in KwaZulu Natal (KZN), close to the border with Mozambique and Swaziland, with access to the beaches, the Drakensberg Mountains and Durban. Flights to major cities such as Cape Town and Johannesburg are frequent and very reasonably priced.

The rural hospitals provide primary and secondary care through out-patient clinics, GP surgeries and basic surgical services. There are also rural outreach clinics which are accessed by 4x4 vehicles. The hospitals have male, female and children's wards. Training will be available for unfamiliar procedural skills such as spinal anaesthesia or caesarean sections.

- Come to the annual school of Primary Care Careers Fair to learn more.
- Check out [AHP - Who we are](#)
- Have a look at these video clips on these placements [A day in the life of a rural doctor in South Africa](#) and [Going Rural](#)
- For further information about AHP then please visit the [AHP website](#). You can also email [Esther Diamini](#), EU Liason.

- For further information contact [Dr Robin While](#) (Chairman, School of Primary Care Board).
- You are encouraged to keep a reflective diary during this time and to use the [HEE/OOPE Evidence Based Appraisal Toolkit](#)

Who are Africa Health Placements?

From August 2016 all placements will be with Africa Health Placements (AHP). Africa Health Placements is an organisation with a mission: to support and enhance healthcare systems in Africa, by finding, placing and retaining the right people for the job.

Africa Health Placements offer a range of services, which are delivered free of charge, and range from finding the most suitable position and location (based on your skills and preferences), to managing the completion of all regulatory requirements, to ensuring that you settle in comfortably. AHP have a competent team of professional recruiters to assist you with your registrations, work permits, placement and orientation at a choice of facilities throughout underserved areas of South Africa and Zambia. Posts with AHP also attract an attractive salary. [Dr Robin While](#), former GP and Associate Postgraduate GP Dean (HEE – South West), provides some in-country support from Cape Town. He may also be able to visit you in your hospital with members of the AHP team.

Will I be able to apply for one of these OOPE Options once I have started training?

It is envisaged that most places will be offered at the time of recruitment to GP Specialty Training, Tuesday 23rd February 2016 however, should additional places become available during the academic year, an advert will be sent out to all HEE- NW incumbent ST1's. Information in relation to such opportunities will also be placed on the website and in the weekly newsletter.

Life after Global Health Placements

Discussions have recently taken place with Prof Tony Redmond who works as the Head of the UK Emergency Response to international Humanitarian Disasters. Following these discussion we are pleased to say all GH Fellows who graduate from our programmes will have the opportunity to deploy overseas with the World Health Organisation (WHO) alongside Prof Tony Redmond's Emergency Medical Team's (EMT) at a Level 1 FMT. Deployment is subject to attending a two week pre-deployment course. Details of the EMT scheme are in the Blue Book, a link for which is [here](#).

Details of our willing successful alumni will be passed onto Prof Redmond's team at point of completion of their GP training.

Further details regarding the WHO's EMTs can be found [here](#).

Still unsure what a Global Health Fellowship is really about?

Please use the hyperlinks on this page to provide you with more information.

Our Global Health opportunities are aligned with the [Gold Guide](#) and the [Crisp Report 2007](#). Please follow the hyperlinks for more information.

*Post numbers are indicative and subject to change.