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|  | **Be an NHS Pharmacy Ambassador and inspire children and young people in your local community!** |   |

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|   |   **The NHS Ambassador programme, through Inspiring the Future, connects NHS staff with schools to take part in a range of fun and interactive careers activities in 2023.**  **We are inviting pharmacy professionals to find out more about becoming an NHS Pharmacy Ambassador by joining an information session on Monday 6th February 2023 1-2pm and 7-8pm.** Register to attend Session 1 - 1:00 - 2:00pmRegister to attend Session 2 - 7:00 - 8:00pm**What is an NHS Pharmacy Ambassador?**NHS Pharmacy Ambassadors connect the NHS with school children of all ages to explore the breadth of interesting roles available in the pharmacy profession and answering questions about their jobs. They take part in activities such as assemblies, speed networking, career days, and many more, alongside interactive virtual sessions to connect with young people online.**Why take part?**To meet the current and future needs of patients and the public, we need to grow the Pharmacy workforce, ensuring that Pharmacy is seen as an attractive, varied, and dynamic career choice. The programme also supports ambassadors to develop their skills, experience and confidence as advocates for the profession.**The role of the NHS Pharmacy Ambassadors is:*** To raise awareness of pharmacy as a profession and promote pharmacy as a career.
* To stimulate interest in students, school-leavers and job seekers to want to pursue a career in pharmacy.
* To showcase the varied roles and impact the profession has on patients and the public
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| A picture containing person, person  Description automatically generated | **Find out more!** [**Join the Information Session via Zoom on Monday 6th February 1-2pm**](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Feducationandemployers.cmail19.com%2Ft%2Ft-i-fjuyuz-l-t%2F&data=05%7C01%7Ccatriona.ketiar%40nhs.net%7Cf746d6979a5e42ded62b08dafecb7e81%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638102447257842008%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=lLjmwbmx2Ge318ETzqwQq5jq9lDuQNccOjDJFS2%2F7IE%3D&reserved=0) **and 7-8pm**The HEE Pharmacy Team will be running an online information session on Monday 6th February at 1-2pm and 7-8pm where you can hear more about the NHS Ambassador Programme and ask any questions you might have.**Register and share the word!**These sessions are open to existing volunteers as well as other registered pharmacists and pharmacy technicians who are considering becoming ambassadors, so please feel free to share this opportunity with your networks!**Please note that the sessions will be recorded so we can share with those who weren't able to attend.** |

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|   | A person smiling for the camera  Description automatically generated with medium confidence |  *"Pharmacy roles are changing and becoming more patient-focused. I think it is really important for students to hear about the impact we have on patients and the exciting opportunities there are across all sectors of pharmacy."* *Amita Aggarwal, Chief Pharmaceutical Officer' s Clinical Fellow*  |   |
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| For more information about the sessions, contact pharmacyteam@hee.nhs.uk. Sign up now to make a difference! |