**NQG Fellowship Scheme**

**Letter from the BSW Training Hub**

NHS England have just released new guidance on the 2yr Newly Qualified GP Fellowship Scheme. It confirms that 100% of newly qualified GPs are expected to take part, to help facilitate their ongoing CPD learning and support them during the transition in becoming an independent practitioner. Each region will run it slightly differently but has to adhere to the same standards. It is open to all those who have recently qualified and the BSW scheme starts being rolled out from September.

Across the Bath and northeast Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire region the scheme offers the following;

1) BSW GP Starter Pack

2) Peer-to Peer support through a whatsapp group and a First 5 course

3) Education Trust Membership to help support learning through the local GP education systems

4) Mentorship and coaching

5) Portfolio Work

Each GP is given 1 session per week (or pro-rata equivalent if working less than full time) and the GP practice is reimbursed for this. The First 5 course makes up one of these sessions per month. This is led by Simon Philips and Dr Andy Hall who will contact all those enrolled on the scheme directly. The other sessions are dedicated time that are given to pursue portfolio working. The Swindon Clinical Chair of BSW CCG Amanda Webb has offered to facilitate anyone looking for new opportunities in their portfolio role. Other than the First 5 course which has to be on a set day each month, the other sessions are flexible and can be taken at times that are convenient for the GP and the practice.

As this national guidance only came out a few weeks ago, your patience is appreciated as we work together with the CCG and NHSE to clarify the funding stream.

For a GP to enrol on the scheme; email bswccg.traininghub@nhs.net

Kind Regards,

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