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Apprenticeship of the week

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Clinical Trials Specialist Degree Apprentice

Useful GCSE / BTEC / A level subjects for this career:

English, Maths, Science - Biology, BTEC Extended Diploma in Applied Science

Apprenticeship title:	Description:
<p>Clinical Trials Specialist Degree Apprentice</p>	<p>Assisting a multidisciplinary team to take samples and physiological measurements from participants in clinical trials of potential new medicines. Inputting data, learning about quality checks and regulatory aspects of clinical research, while studying for an Applied Bioscience degree.</p>
<p>Apprenticeship summary :</p>	<p>Annual wage £14,000.00 - £24,000.00</p> <p>Working week 37.5 hours per week (80% working and 20% studying). Night, evening and alternate weekend work is required during the ward rotations. Breaks include a 15-minute paid break and a 30-minute unpaid lunch break. (Shifts TBC)</p> <p>Expected duration 5 years</p>
<p>What you'll do:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As a Clinical Trials Apprentice, you will embark on a 5-year employment rotation at HMR whilst studying for a BSc (Hons) in Applied Bioscience with the University of Kent. During your time at HMR, you'll learn a lot about early-phase clinical trials and will become part of a diverse team producing high-quality clinical data from varied clinical studies on behalf of our sponsors (pharmaceutical companies). You'll gain understanding of the long journey it takes new medicines to be approved. This is an excellent first step in the UK's exciting clinical trials industry. Your journey at HMR will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 1: Induction and ward rotation Year 2: Recruitment & Screening and Data Management Year 3: Ward (intermediate) rotation Year 4: Ward (advanced), quality assurance (QA) and monitoring rotations Year 5: Project management assistance and data management We'll provide full training for each role and you'll receive support from your dedicated mentor and our in-house training team. You'll gain skills and knowledge in a variety of areas including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recording clinical trial data from healthy volunteers Collection and processing of biological samples Good Clinical Practice (GCP) and key regulations Trial master file (TMF) preparation and maintenance Quality control (QC) of the case report form (CRF) Basic/immediate life support training Championing clinical trials from start to finish

Skills required:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication • Organisation • IT literacy • Professionalism • Able to multitask • Problem solving • Leadership
Personal Qualities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teamwork • Excellent time management • Motivation
Entry requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of 5 GCSEs or equivalent at grades A*-C/9-5 including English language, science and maths. • To have/be predicted to achieve a minimum of 96 UCAS points from your top 3 A-levels (or equivalent) not including general studies. • You must have an A-level (or equivalent) in a science related subject (preferably Biology).
About the employer:	<p>One of Europe's largest Contract Research Organisations specialising in early clinical trials of new medicines.</p> <p>Employer Hmr Limited https://www.hmrlondon.com/</p> <p>Address 44 Cumberland Avenue, London, NW10 7EW</p>
Training provider:	<p>Training provider THE UNIVERSITY OF KENT</p> <p>Applications for this apprenticeship are being processed by THE UNIVERSITY OF KENT</p> <p>Contact Betty Johnson 07921 487652 B.Johnson@kent.ac.uk</p> <p>Clinical Trials Specialist (degree).</p> <p>Structured training programme with 1-month induction and mentorship beyond. Specialised on-the-job training from managers during rotation through different departments.</p> <p>BSc Applied Bioscience with the University of Kent.</p> <p>Apprenticeship standard Clinical Trials Specialist (degree) Level 6 (Degree with honours)</p>

What is an apprenticeship?

An apprenticeship is a real job where you learn, gain experience and a qualification and get paid.

You're an employee with a contract of employment and holiday leave. By the end of an apprenticeship, you will have the right skills and knowledge needed for your chosen career.

There are four levels of apprenticeship, intermediate, advanced, higher and degree. It can take between one and six years to complete an apprenticeship depending on which one you choose, what level it is and your previous experience. It's funded from contributions made by the government and your employer.

Apprenticeships are an alternative option after your GCSEs / BTECs at the end of Year 11. To become an apprentice, you must:

- be 16 or over
- not already be in full time education
- spend at least 50% of your working hours in England

If you don't live in England, check out apprenticeship options in [Scotland\(Opens in a new window\)](#), [Wales\(Opens in a new window\)](#), or [Northern Ireland\(Opens in a new window\)](#).

Useful Links:

There is no one place to find all apprenticeship vacancies. Here are a few links:

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/>

<https://careerfinder.ucas.com/jobs/apprenticeship/>

<https://www.qa.com/campaigns/virtual-apprenticeships-learn-online>

<https://www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk/>

<https://whitehat.org.uk/apprentices>

<https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/>