

#### Workforce facts



There are more than 350 careers in the NHS.1



There were 88,801 vacancies in the NHS in December 2020.<sup>2</sup>



There are 154 clinical and non-clinical apprenticeships available to use in healthcare and more in development.<sup>3</sup>



There were more than 22,000 apprenticeship starts in the NHS between in the 2020-21 financial year.<sup>4</sup>

## Benefits of apprenticeships

Retain staff and the skills you've invested in.





Apprenticeships help develop clear career pathways.

Support existing staff to develop



Attract and recruit from a wider pool of people in your local community.

Align the provision of apprenticeships to where you workforce need is greatest.





# Where to use apprenticeships in your workforce



## Available funding to support employers



## £1,000

is available for employers to support 16-18-year-olds into employment, as these apprentices can require more supervision and pastoral care.<sup>5</sup>



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of additional funding is also available for employers who employ apprentices aged 19-24, who have previously been in care or who have a local authority education, health and care plan and may need extra support.<sup>5</sup>



## Access to work funding

may also be available to support disabled members of staff, or staff with learning difficulties and disabilities (LDD), including apprentices.<sup>6</sup>



# Use your apprenticeship levy fund

Your organisation's levy funds can be used to pay for the cost of training an apprentice. You can also transfer up to 25% of your levy funds to another employers to help fund apprenticeship training in support organisations and prevent unspent funds.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>[1]</sup> https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/

<sup>[2]</sup> https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/nhs-vacancies-survey/april-2015---december-2020

<sup>[3]</sup> https://haso.skillsforhealth.org.uk/

<sup>[4]</sup> https://www.hee.nhs.uk/news-blogs-events/news/hee-continuing-support-apprenticeships-through-pandemic

<sup>[5]</sup> Apprenticeship funding in England (from August 2021) - https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/apprenticeship-funding

<sup>[6]</sup> https://www.gov.uk/access-to-work

<sup>[7]</sup> What apprenticeships are and how to use them - NHS Employers