



West Midlands' Public Health Community Fellowship Scheme

What is it?

An innovative programme where community organisations in the West Midlands are matched with volunteer teams of junior doctors to deliver health and well-being projects to local communities.

What does it involve?

Now in its third year, community organisations work in partnership with a small group of junior doctors to undertake a defined health and well-being project. The programme will run between January and May 2020 and each doctor is expected to spend up to eight days in total working on the project. The host organisation will propose the project, and we will provide support to define it, if needed. Each team will be supported by a senior Specialty Registrar in Public Health.

What are the benefits to the community organisation?

- Improvement in health and wellbeing of service users
- A unique resource of volunteer doctors who are offering their time and expertise to contribute towards a health and well-being need identified by the organisation.
- Raised profile of community organisations with clinical and public health colleagues

Project examples:

- Building a case for a grant application to extend telephone befriending service
- Develop, implement and evaluate an educational intervention in schools to highlight the link between smoking and sight loss.
- Analysing the needs of a particular population group in order to improve services
- Planning a health improvement project

And much more!

Interested? Have an idea for a community project and want to know more?

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