



# Leeds Health and Care Academy

**Welcome to our May 2019 newsletter which provides a quick lookback at some of the work with our partners in the month and more about what's coming up.**

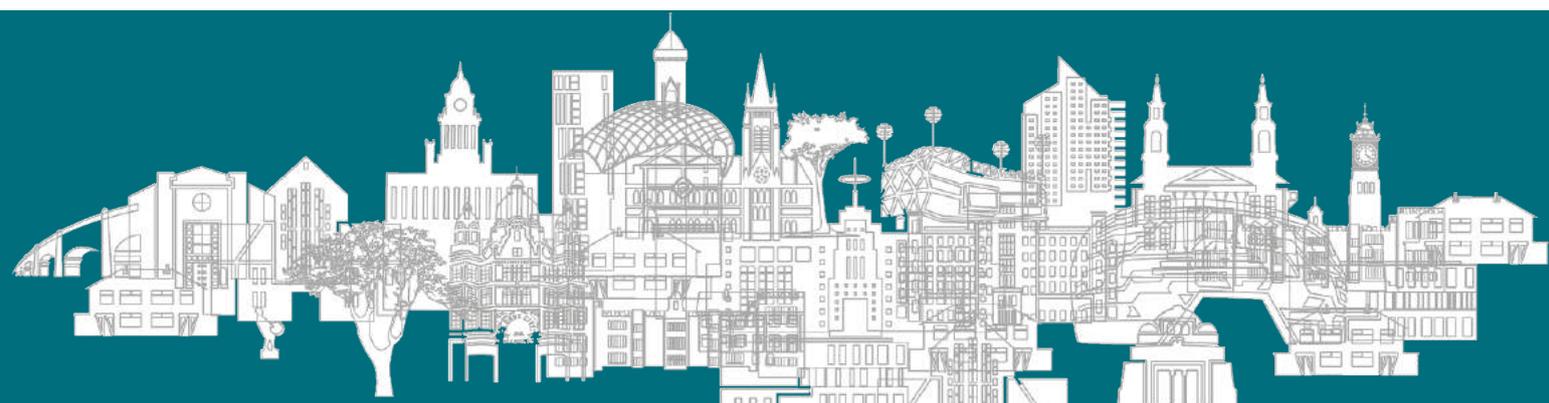
## **Joint citywide careers event proves a hit**

The first citywide careers and recruitment event for health and care took place on 15 May and proved to be a great success with more than 700 vacancies promoted by over 30 employers – and almost 400 people through the doors!

Employers offered a variety of opportunities for employment, apprenticeships, volunteering and work experience and received nearly 1,000 enquiries as a result of the event. In just one week there were 72 applications for one apprenticeship and one role at Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust. There was help with applications or advice to help people find the right role for their next career move. The newly appointed and trained Leeds health and care ambassadors were also available on the evening to talk about their many varied roles in health and care. We are keen to recruit more - so please visit our website staff zone if you are interested.

***"We had some fantastic conversations and may even have encouraged a career break GP to return to practice."*** Lindsey Bell, NHS England and NHS Improvement.

***"It was really productive. I received lots of enquiries about job and volunteering opportunities. It was great to see so many organisations working in the care sector connecting together."***  
Amanda Henderson, St Gemma's Hospice.



## Learning together

Across the health and care sector, there are a whole host of training opportunities. We want to help staff to learn together and also to open up the training to people in care homes, primary care and the third sector.

This will help us develop our citywide 'health and care team' and makes good use of any unfilled training spaces. Work is in progress to create a central catalogue covering all partners' current in-house Continuous Professional Development (CPD) provision. We'll let you know how to access the training as soon as the catalogue is live.

## On the international stage



In May the Leeds Health and Care Academy was presented to an international conference in Washington DC. The Leeds Academic Health Partnership showcased the Academy at the Association of Academic Health Centers International Global Issues Forum. This international conference brought together senior leaders in academia, healthcare and government relations to hear how its members around the world are enhancing health and care in sustainable ways. Sara Munro, Chief Executive at Leeds and York Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, and Jenny Lewis, Director of Human Resources and Organisational Development at Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust, were very impressed to see that attendees were really interested in the Leeds approach to 'growing our own talent' and developing a 'one workforce' approach, with people in health and care working as if they are one citywide team.

**Leeds Health and Care Academy is a project of the Leeds Academic Health Partnership, whose founding partners are three Leeds universities, all of the city's NHS organisations and Leeds City Council.**

## Take a colleague to work

This pilot scheme has launched and will see GPs and consultants across the city shadow each other's roles. This will help colleagues understand each other's work and challenges in more detail and help us all provide the highest quality experience for Leeds people.

Greater understanding across organisations will help us successfully integrate services and provide seamless, quality care. It's starting with consultants from Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and GPs and is being led by Dr Sarah Forbes.

**Pictured: Sara Munro (left) and Jenny Lewis**

