SAS Newsletter

August 2024

A Message from the Associate Dean for SAS/LEDs'

Welcome to the August 2024 Newsletter.

Since the last newsletter there have been several exciting developments relating to SAS & LEDs.

The EoE development programme for SAS doctors has been circulated. The programme is based on the feedback from 2024 SAS Survey. The programme incurs significant cost and requires efforts by the EoE Support Team to plan and manage the events. The courses are very popular, and places are taken up promptly. In the past some doctors booked the programmes but did not attend. This is a waste of precious resource. Please if you are unable to attend then inform the EOE Support Team in time and the opportunity will be offered to those on waiting lists.

The East of England "Recognition Awards" are being advertised, and the nomination form can be found in this newsletter. SAS & LE doctors in the East of England can be nominated by any NHS staff member. The winners will be invited to the Tutor Development Day in November 2024.

Since the publication of the 2023 NHS Workforce Plans, there is an increase in awareness for support to SAS & LEDs. It is likely that in the near future more support will be available for these doctors. Hence, look out for information from EOE Support Team.

Please avail the opportunities offered for the SAS & LE doctors' professional development which are advertised at NHS-E EOE WTE website.
Queries should be directed to the EOE Support Team at england.sas.eoe@nhs.net if you are unsure regarding resources available in the Region.

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2024 – 2025 Regional Development Program

The SAS regional development programme has gone live and bookings for workshops are now open. Covering a wide range of topics from *Preparing for Portfolio Pathway* to *Legal Pitfalls of Medical Law*, the opportunities for continued professional development are available, courtesy of NHS England, and free of charge to you. Please take advantage of these opportunities and register for your preferred courses before the spaces are gone and you miss out.

All the topics have been chosen correspondingly from the results of the SAS Annual Survey 2024 and reflect upon the requests put forward by respondents. In the interest of fairness, NHSE asks that you register for no more than 4 of the sessions, ensuring that you have secured your study leave prior to booking.

Please click here for information on all available workshops and to book your space now

If you miss out on your choice of course, and for further learning and development opportunities, please contact your local trust and SAS Tutors.

Quality Improvement 'in action' Program

We are very excited to have welcomed 16 individuals onto our upcoming Quality Improvement 'in action' Programme.

This programme utilises an initial workshop, handout pack of tools/resources and a combination of action learning sets and individual online coaching to enable to delegate to identify a QI project and then take it through a series of clearly defined steps to the point of delivering a business case to their trust.

We look forward to working with these individuals over the next 6 months and hopefully sharing some excellent QI projects with you all at the end of it.

Leadership Program

Applications are currently open for two cohorts of our SAS Leadership Programme, delivered by Miad Healthcare.

These extensive 3-day programmes focus on Leadership, personal effectiveness including time and stress management, teamwork, an understanding of the NHS, business case development and clinical governance.

For further information please see the below flyers:

- Cohort 1, Face-to-face
- Cohort 2, Virtual

We hope to run a further course in the new year, and further details will be made available shortly.

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SAS & LED Tutors Development Day, 14th November 2024

On **14 November 2024,** NHS England are planning to host a **SAS and LED Development Day.**

This day will provide an opportunity to share good practices through presentations from SAS Tutors or nominated individuals, as well as a number of sessions from external speakers, such as an update on the new Portfolio Pathway.

To conclude the day, we would take great pleasure in announcing the winners from the Recognition Awards and sharing in the achievements that you have worked so hard towards.

Lunch and refreshments will be provided, and further information will be available very shortly!

Recognition Awards

NHSE East of England are proud to be re-starting the SAS and LED Recognition Awards for 2024.

The east of England **SAS and LED Recognition Awards** are your chance to nominate colleagues and show how much you value the fantastic work they do. The Recognition Awards are open to all SAS and LED Doctors in the east of England and nominations can be made by any NHS staff member.

The awards are available in three categories:

- **Trainer of the Year Award:**
  A SAS or LED doctor who has made outstanding contributions to medical education.
- **Innovator of the Year Award:**
  A SAS or LED doctor whose innovative work has improved patient care and experience.
- **Research or Publication of the Year Award:**
  A SAS or LED doctor who has made significant contribution to medical research or publications.

Please click here to complete the nomination form.

Runners up will be invited to the SAS Development Day on **Thursday 14 November,** where the winners will be announced.

Winners will receive up to **£500** towards a course or project of their choice (approval from Associate Dean required).

SAS Excellence in Development

Following the publication of the NHS Long-Term Workforce Plan (LTWP), an event has been arranged to plan the delivery of the LTWP actions.

The SAS Excellence in Development event will discuss matters specifically relating to SAS Doctors. Representatives have responded to attend alongside the Associate Postgraduate Dean on 5 September 2024.

One of the key aims is to formally recognise trusts who are meeting specific outcomes in relation to supporting the SAS workforce.

We wish the representatives well and encourage the development of support for our SAS group.

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Medical Education Bursary Funding

Bursary funding for PG Certificate (60 credits), PG Diploma (60 credits top up) and Master's (60 credits top up) in Medical Education, is available through a competitive manner twice a year.

Applications for the January 2025 intake will open on **2 September 2024.**

All information will be updated on our webpage here.

For any queries, please contact: england.mededbursaries.eoe@nhs.net.

Autumn 2024 NHSE EoE Deanery Update

As you may know, the Spring and Autumn Symposium are popular events each year which provide faculty development to our educators in the east of England, and we are very proud to have delivered these to an increasing audience for a number of years.

Unfortunately, due to the recent organisational change and current gaps in administrative capacity, we are not in a suitable position to provide the usual Symposium offer this Autumn, however, to ensure we are providing key learning opportunities across the region. we will be running two virtual half day update sessions on the afternoon of the 22 October and the morning of the 23 October. We hope to follow this up with some smaller masterclass style sessions taking place sporadically through November 2024 – March 2025.

For further information, please visit our webpage.

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