## WELCOME TO THE ST+W ICS WEBPAGE FOR OUR LOCAL GPs OF THE FUTURE.

This page is for anyone considering a career as a GP in our region or beyond and has areas for those currently in school/college, already in medical school or working as foundation doctors currently.

The route from school to GP is laid out on the poster in the link below:

RCGP-route-to-GP-poster-June-2019.pdf

Explore further according to your current stage:

# School/sixth form/college students:

Becoming a GP (rcgp.org.uk)

GP work experience (rcgp.org.uk)

Entry requirements for 2024 start | Medical Schools Council (medschools.ac.uk)

If the above list of requirements feels daunting, there are various mechanisms of support to allow a range of young people to improve their chance of getting a place at medical school. Some local examples are described if you follow the links below:

<u>Concord a key partner in launch of The William Farr Academy - Concord College</u> (concordcollegeuk.com)

Steps 2 Medicine - Keele University

Microsoft Word - UKWPMED scheme.docx (keele.ac.uk)

#### **Medical students:**

If you are from the ST+W area, then 2 nearby medical schools may be of interest, Keele university and the University of Birmingham.

School of Medicine - Keele University

Birmingham Medical School - University of Birmingham

Those medical students already in place will no doubt have a lot of information about their course requirements and career progression made available to them during their training. At the end of their medical school years, the next step is to apply for a job as a Foundation Doctor:

## Foundation Programme (UKFP) - UK Foundation Programme

During your 2 foundation doctor years there will be a 4-month community placement, which is often a placement in General Practice and your first opportunity to practice independently in a GP placement. This will hopefully provide further insight into a career as a GP.

Shaping general practice (rcgp.org.uk)

#### **Foundation Doctors:**

If you are a current foundation doctor working in our area, we know that the best way to encourage you into a career in General Practice is by providing you with positive GP placements in your FY2 year. We are working to expand the offer for FY2 doctors and develop innovative and interesting community placements which include time spent in General Practice.

Wherever you are, the following websites contain useful information about our deanery and the GP Specialty Training Scheme:

Staffordshire & Shropshire (westmidlandsdeanery.nhs.uk)

Applying to General Practice (rcgp.org.uk)

GP Specialty Training (rcgp.org.uk)

#### **CURRENT GPs**

If you are a GP working in ST+W and want to know more about the practicalities and benefits of having foundation doctors on placement in your practice please see the attached presentation below:

Then insert PPT link?