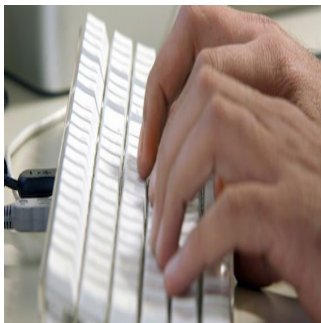

New Health IT Apprenticeship Launched at Liverpool College



Working in partnership with Health Academy North West The City of Liverpool College is launching the first Health Informatics Cadet Apprenticeship.

An emerging field in the UK, Health Informatics involves managing electronic health data to ensure patients get the most appropriate care and the apprenticeship scheme will give young people a stepping stone into a career in health technology.

Jacqui Griffith-Evans, curriculum team leader at the City of Liverpool College said: "Health informatics is an expanding area which will create lots of job opportunities for local people who are interested in working in the technology and health sectors. The role can involve everything from developing new electronic health records to exploring patient data to identify trends in diseases and treatment. This new apprenticeship will give an access route to young people interested in pursuing a career in an emerging specialism."

The first cohorts of "cadets" has recently completed their six week induction which covered both healthcare and ICT curriculum areas. The cadets will continue to spend one day in college and now go into work placements within information management departments of NHS organisations across Cheshire and Merseyside for four days each week.

The college and Health Academy North West are working in partnership with Health Education North West, Information Skills Development, Health & Social Care Information Centre and local NHS Trusts.

The apprentices will study their diploma at the college and be employed by the National Skills Academy Health's Apprenticeship Training Agency throughout their apprenticeship and gain a Level 2 Health Informatics extended Diploma qualification.

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