

Partner with Project Choice

Join Project Choice and become a partner to provide invaluable work experience and supported internship placements for young people with learning disabilities/ difficulties and/ or Autism.

What is Project Choice?

Project Choice is a specialist **College** providing tailored educational support, and a **supported internship course** for young adults aged 16-24 with learning disabilities/ difficulties and/ or Autism.

We partner with NHS healthcare settings, local organisations and private businesses to create supported work environments to provide real work experience for our Interns.

Our support is tailored to each Intern, based on their skills and interests. Interns spend 1 year learning math, English and employability skills and attend up to three, 12-week placements with a Project Choice Partner.

The College is supported by the NHS as part of the ongoing commitment to improving employment outcomes for vulnerable groups.

The Benefits



Local & National Business

- Additional Staff Support and support for your business.
- Free training on disability awareness and mentoring
- Support with Access to work applications
- Direct links to the local community and the NHS.



NHS Trusts

- Additional staff support.
- Meets the Talent for Care agenda to increase employment for vulnerable groups.
- Project Choice and Supported Internships are included in the NHS 5 year strategic plan.
- Labour and skills support for an already stretched NHS workforce.

The Intern should cost
£0.00



And should always be of
benefit to your business

The support we provide

We know that supporting Interns can be daunting and we are here to help you.

We support our partners and Interns by:

- Training designated staff within your organisation to be **Mentors**
- Working with you to create bespoke roles and responsibilities that match the interns skills and also the needs of the business.
- Conducting weekly or fortnightly reviews to ensure the quality of the placement for both your business and the Intern.
- Being available at any point to assist with any issues that arise from the placement.
- Provide a one to one Job coach on site when required.
- Direct contact to a local Project Choice Coordinator and Area Manager

Additional support available to Partners

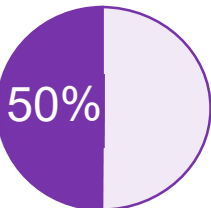
- Organisational training including Mental Health first Aid, Autism Awareness, Job Coaching and Training in Systemic Instruction.
- Assistance with Disability Confident Applications
- Applications to nationally recognised Employability Awards.

The Project Choice Impact

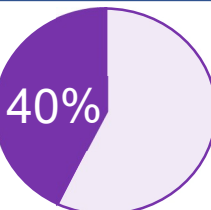
In 2020 – 2021 academic year, Project Choice Interns



We provide
60 hours
of placement support
per week
in each region



50%
entered **paid employment, apprenticeships, or volunteering** roles.



40%
went on to complete **further higher education**

Our Locations

We are growing every year. Contact us, to find out more how to start a Project Choice group in your area.

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- North**
 - Darlington
 - Durham
 - Hartlepool
 - Middlesbrough and Redcar
 - Newcastle
 - North Tyneside
 - Northumberland
 - South Tyneside
 - Stockton
 - Sunderland
 - South**
 - Hampshire
 - Hertfordshire
 - Portsmouth
 - Southampton
 - London**
 - Barnet
 - Brent
 - Camden
 - Ealing
 - Harrow
 - Haringey
 - Hillingdon
 - Islington
 - Yorkshire and Humber**
 - York/ East Riding
 - Sheffield/ Rotherham
 - Doncaster
 - Lincolnshire

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