Dear Colleagues,

We are delighted to invite you to express an interest in funding to support the training of:

- Current Assistant Practitioners (APs) or Nursing Associates (NAs) to progress to Registered Nurse (RN) via two-year apprenticeship pathway
- Nursing Associates Learning Disability-enhanced pathway via two-year apprenticeship
- Learning Disability Nurses via four-year degree apprenticeship

This funding is related to programmes commencing in **September 2024**, and, in the case of upskilling APs or NAs to become RNs, for current employees only.

Please see attached:

- 1. <u>Formal offer letter</u> for more information and details of how to express your interest in the funding.
- 2. <u>Principles for Funding</u>, which include details on how and when payments will be made.

A recording of the **webinar** held on 25th April can be found <u>here</u>.

To register for a webinar explaining apprenticeships generally in more detail, please follow this link.

For more information on the programmes themselves, please contact your preferred Education Provider.

Expressions of interest must be received by **midday on Friday 31st May 2024**. Only electronic expressions of interest made via the links in the attached offer letter will be accepted. These will be reviewed by a moderation panel and confirmation of awards will be communicated on **Friday 14th June 2024**.

If you have any questions, please email <u>england.nw.nursing@nhs.net</u>.

Thank you in advance for your interest.

Kind Regards,

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