



Teaching Care Homes Programme: New Call for Applications October 2018

The Foundation of Nursing Studies (FoNS), in partnership with Care England and the Burdett Trust for Nursing are delighted to announce a new call for applications for the Teaching Care Homes (TCH) programme. This year, the focus of the programme will be on enhancing cross-system partnership working (e.g. care home/acute sector services; care home/university; care home/GP practice etc.). The partnerships should intend to develop and strengthen cross-system relationships by working together towards developing and achieving shared outcomes.

Are you interested?

We will be recruiting five care homes who can:

- Demonstrate an ongoing commitment to the development of person-centred care and ways of working; engagement in learning, practice development and research; strong working relationships with academic and education providers; and a desire to be a resource for other care homes
- Have identified an aspect of cross-sector partnership working that they would like to enhance and can demonstrate that they have begun to establish relationships with the relevant partner(s)

Each home will select a small team (3-5 persons) to lead this work. This should include the home manager, another member of the care home staff, and the relevant partners.

What does the programme involve?

The successful teams will:

- Participate in a development and support programme (six workshop days) to facilitate the development, implementation and evaluation of the cross-system working (April 2019-March 2020)
- Network and share with the existing TCHs
- Commit to the wider sharing of their learning and experience e.g. host local events, present at conferences, contribute to articles etc.
- Commit to strengthen and maintain the community of TCHs beyond the one-year programme

Are you still interested? What next?

- Find out more about the TCH programme by visiting: <https://www.fons.org/programmes/teaching-care-homes>
- Start to have conversations with relevant partners
- Discuss your ideas with the senior leadership/management team in your organisation as you will need to be able to demonstrate that you have the full support of your organisation (and the partner organisation) in your application
- Download the application form from: <https://www.fons.org/programmes/teaching-care-homes/application-information>
- Complete the application form and return via email to debbie.warren@fons.org

This programme is only open to applications from care homes in England. Applications are welcome from homes providing care to persons of all ages including those caring for people with learning disabilities, neurological conditions etc

The closing date for applications is 5pm on Tuesday 11th December 2018.



The TCH programme is led by Care England, in partnership with the Foundation of Nursing Studies (FoNS) and is funded by the Burdett Trust for Nursing