



FAQ – Managed Education Partnership – Ghana (MEPG)

Where do we find the call documents?

All the documents for the call can be found on the website: [Managed Education Partnership \(Ghana\) programme \(MEPG\) - THET](#)

This includes the specification document, application form & information on the NHSE technical visit to Ghana.

When do applications close?

A fully completed application must be submitted to grants@thet.org by 17h00 on Monday 16th December 2024.

When will the outcome of the application be communicated?

Applicants will be informed of the outcome by the end of January 2025.

Is the 6 months period for fellowships (from NHS to Ghana) set in stone or is the period flexible? Especially as long-term placements are harder to fill.

The standard is 6 months as this ensures that benefits of NHS fellow placements can be fully utilised, (embedding, induction, and impact). There is some flexibility on the length of placement and NHSE is willing to explore innovative options, this would be considered in the context of the full proposal.

Do Ghanaians come to the UK?

This falls under observerships which are usually 8 weeks, but with some flexibility. Applicants to consider if Ghanaian facilities can cope with the reduced capacity for longer periods. In addition, caution is recommended for long periods to avoid this being considered as a migration route into the UK.

Visas can be hard to secure (a listed responsibility of NHS provider), can GHP or NHSE provide support?

It is acknowledged that visas are a potential barrier for the MEPG. NHSE provides support through their processes, this includes engaging with FCDO to obtain specific advice for the visa applications.

Can you provide more details about the coordination support?

There is some funding in the budget for the successful partner to provide some money towards staff time to support a coordinator for the project. This funding would support an Agenda for Change Band 7 role for around 6 months. This level and time is based on existing arrangements we have with other partners. However, the successful bidder can describe alternative arrangements if that would

suit their model of working, though it should be noted that the money to support this is only offered on a cost recovery basis.

Please note that some support would be provided by NHS England.

Please also note that there is an expectation that the successful bidder would be making some in-kind/unfunded contribution to the MEP.

NHS partner does not have experience in Ghana, is this a disadvantage?

It is not a requirement to have connections in Ghana, however some evidence of successful international experience would be advantageous, along with how this experience might transfer to Ghana.