

Employer Case Study

Business Services including the Finance Sector, Logistics and Retail

Leeds Teaching Hospital Trust

“Healthcare has always depended on innovation derived from increasing understanding of biological science to meet the challenge of maintaining health. However, healthcare cannot be viewed only from this viewpoint alone. Managerial proficiency is essential if healthcare is to be delivered equitably and effectively. To this end over the last 2 years the Leeds Teaching Hospitals and Leeds Primary Care Trusts have actively supported a number of staff in undertaking Foundation Degrees in Business Management with Park Lane College. This is particularly important as healthcare provision is changing to meet the demands of the future where innovation, efficiency and adaptability will be key to ensuring excellence in health outcomes for our clients. The students are mainly from support services and manage in diverse situations. These members of staff manage services that underpin the Trusts clinical work and as such demands that they are equipped with a range of management skills allied to valuable experience. Traditionally this area has been under represented in developmental opportunities and this has now been addressed. The first course has just graduated with some going onto top up to full degree status. It is great to see highly motivated and accomplished people emerging from this course, who, I am sure will greatly benefit the Trust and its clients in the years to come.”

Gareth Hanson, Program Lead, NVQ Centre, Leeds Teaching Hospital Trust