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Dear colleague,

HEE Student Data Collection – November 2020 to February 2021

Firstly, may I take this opportunity to wish you a Happy New Year. As we begin the new year we aim to learn lessons from the previous year and look to improve on our processes to ensure a successful Student Data Collection going forward. We are aware of how challenging the times are which is why we want to prepare you as much in advance for our first collection of 2021.

Our first Student Data Collection for 2021 will cover **activity that occurred from 1 November 2020 to 14 February 2021**. The Student Data Collection submission will be open from Monday 15 February 2021 to Friday 26 February 2021 where you can enter information about students undertaking healthcare education, however you can access the e-collection portal earlier to help you before the submission period opens. As this collection covers a period of time where paid placements have been utilised, please continue to capture this and use the paid/unpaid field to indicate where a placement may be paid, as appropriate.

We are also asking you to continue our **Trainee Nursing Associate (TNA) Collection** for this next period. The collection timescales match those of the Student Data Collection.

In this first collection we will also be asking for an update to the **Placement Gap (Lost Hours)** and we will be launching our **Education Capacity Collection**. The closing dates for these collections will be staggered:

Student Data Collection deadline: Friday 26 February 2021

Placement Gap (Lost Hours) deadline: Friday 5 March 2021

Education Capacity Collection deadline: mid-to late April 2021 – to be confirmed.

More information will be circulated regarding the Education Capacity Collection in February, and we will be looking to host some webinars to support as well.

For the Placement Gap (Lost Hours) we will be working closely with NHS Business Services Authority to ensure we capture those students requiring extensions and access to funding. NHS Business Services Authority will be in touch to capture the individual students that require extensions.

Future Student Data Collections in 2021/22

To assist this year's collections please find below a schedule of future dates for our 2021/22 collections.

Collection	Student Activity Period	Education Providers to submit data to HEE	Aggregated report shared with Placement Providers for validation	Student Placement activity locked/ finalised
June 2021	15 February to 30 June 2021	Thursday 1 July to Friday 16 July 2021	Friday 30 July to Friday 13 August 2021	Friday 27 August 2021
October 2021	1 July to 31 October 2021	Monday 1 to Friday 12 November 2021	Friday 26 November to Friday 10 December 2021	Tuesday 4 January 2022
February 2022	1 November 2021 to 14 February 2022	Monday 14 to Friday 25 February 2022	Friday 11 March to Friday 25 March 2022	Friday 8 April 2022

In future collections we will also ask for updates to the Placement Gap (Lost Hours) and the Education Capacity Collection, again staggering the deadlines for these.

Future Developments

Throughout 2021 we will continue to engage with you as we seek to implement a number of new initiatives to help support and facilitate healthcare education and training across England. The list below is a summary of our ongoing developments and we will write to you further as these initiatives develop:

- Providers Portal – aiming to share back, securely, information provided by you so that you can view how HEE uses this data.
- Further developments to the Student Data Collection – from June 2021 we will be operating this collection across all professions of healthcare education and training, and looking to combine other current collections into the Student Data Collection.

We appreciate all the efforts being made to continue healthcare education and training, to ensure the NHS receives qualified graduates. Thank you to all colleagues across education.

To access the portal please visit: <https://ecollection.hee.nhs.uk/>

Yours faithfully,



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