



The University of Nottingham School of Medicine

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### ***Implemented Activities***

The Annual INSPIRE East Midlands Student Research Conference:

- Held in conjunction with Leicester and Norwich (UEA) Medical Schools with one in Norwich in 2015 and one in Leicester in 2016. Featured academic workshops, Keynote speakers and student presentations.

The Nottingham INSPIRE Website:

- Lists all events and is linked to Moodle for easy access to students.

The INSPIRE Lecture Series:

- Leading academics are invited to talk about their research and enthuse students about careers in academia.

The INSPIRE AFP Information Evening:

- Current AFP and ACF doctors gave talks and on both occasions this was followed by a social within the medical school.

The INSPIRE Dissertation Workshop for BMedSci:

- Hosted by an INSPIRE lead currently undertaking a PhD.

INSPIRE AFP Mock Interviews:

- Offered to all students that had applied for AFP.

### ***Impacts***

The East Midlands Student Research Conference:

- Over the 4 years the School has successfully held 4 annual conferences in the East Midlands, 2013 – Leicester, 2014 – Nottingham, 2015 – UEA and 2016 – Leicester. In total over 800 students have attended and showcased their research, networked with academics and their peers between the medical schools of Nottingham, Leicester and East Anglia.

LINK Initiative:

- In 2014 the INSPIRE group Nottingham established the INSPIRE Link Project which linked medical students to research projects in the medical school with a designated supervisor. 24 Projects were set up in 2015 and we had 89 applications, in 2016 33 projects were set up with 117 students applications. This is an initiative that demonstrated that many medical students wanted to engage with research.

Lecture Series:

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- Leading academics both locally and nationally have given talks about their careers and research to excite and enthuse our students about research careers. This included Professor Helen Budge, (Neonatal Medicine) and Director of the Academic Training Programme in the East Midlands, Professor Dua (Times researcher of the year - Ophthalmology) and careers talks from senior academics.

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