



The University of Nottingham School of Medicine

Implemented Activities

The East Midlands Student Research Conference:

- Over the 2 years we have successfully held 2 annual conferences in the East Midlands, in 2013 in Leicester and in 2014 in Nottingham. 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:

- The INSPIRE group Nottingham established the INSPIRE Link Project which linked medical students to research projects in the medical school with a designated supervisor.

Lecture Series:

- Leading academics both locally and nationally have given talks about their careers and research to excite and enthuse our students about research careers.

Support at Specific Stages of the Medical Course:

- Specifically workshops on effective scientific writing for 3rd year's BMedSci students and AFP information evenings and mock interviews for the clinical phase students.

Impacts

Raising Awareness:

- The LINK grant was the catalyst for the formation of the Nottingham Academic Medicine Society in August 2013. The society has sought to raise awareness of academic medicine via a lecture series, featuring internationally-renowned clinical academics from Nottingham and beyond.

Increased Research Opportunities:

- The School has worked to increase research opportunities for students. The LINK initiative pairs academics with project opportunities with medical students interested in research. It has been heavily oversubscribed and has been very well received by academic leads.

Support at Specific Stages:

- The School has provided support at specific stages of the medical course. Specifically, workshops on effective scientific writing for 3rd year's BMedSci students and AFP information evenings and mock interviews for the clinical phase students. The AFP events have been supported by our expanding academic alumni network.

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