

## Virtual Health Academy - NHS Conference – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019

The Virtual Health Academy has been created by the North Lincs Consortium of schools to help address the skills shortage and attract students aged 14+ in to the Health care profession. It focuses upon students who demonstrate a real interest in pursuing a career in the Health Care sector.

Friday saw 10 Y9 students attend a full day conference at North Lindsey College and Scunthorpe General Hospital



The Programme was as follows:

Series of talks & activities:

- HE H&SC lecturer (NLC)
- FE H&SC lecturer (NLC)
- FE H&SC lecturer (JLC)
- Baby Bereavement
- Alzheimer's
- Career Talk
- Professional Conduct
- Wrap up & instructions for the hospital visit



Walk to Scunthorpe General for Welcome and buffet lunch

Series of talks & activities:

- Nurses with different roles (SGH) Harriet Stephens, Vicky Page Chesney, Di Hughes
- Career Journey – Assistant Practitioner Apprenticeship (SGH) Dan Geddes & Leanne Jones

Practical Respiratory session Patrick McKenna & team

Practical Teaching session: Basic Life support session – awareness of resuscitation and use of public defibrillator Kim McGee

### Huntcliff participants:

Keeley Blake  
Sze Yuen Man  
Jess Palliaser

Riley Peacock  
Ellie Smith  
Paris Sylvester

Jessica Clements  
Kadie Davey

Jessica Thornhill  
Elise Lewin

### Pictures and Quotes of the event:

Kadie: I liked going on the trip because it has opened lots of doors for different careers and has answered a lot of questions I had about careers in the NHS. There were lots of talks about different jobs in the Hospital. I learned a lot: what degree I need for certain jobs; new practical skills of CPR and using a defibrillator.



Jess: Throughout the day we took part in many different activities ranging from talks with GPs, to participating in a resuscitation session.

At NLC we listened to staff talking about their jobs: Paul (Radiographer), Nick (Midwife), Sarah (Dementia Advice & Support Worker), Gill (A Level Biology Lecturer), Faisal (GP), Hasina (Career Pathways Coordinator)

When we arrived at Scunthorpe General we had talks from other Health professional who talked through their career journeys, the different roles a nurse can have, apprenticeships etc.

We then got to take part in a basic life support session. We learned how to use a defibrillator and how to make the right life/death decisions and how to do CPR efficiently.



Paris: We went to North Lindsey College and Scunthorpe general and it gave us a great experience which will help us decide which career within the NHS we might like to pursue. When we performed CPR on a dummy it really helped to get a taste of what it would really be like.

