

Name of Activity:- NHS Jobs Roles

Type of Activity:- Individual/Pairs/Group. Suitable for 11-15 year olds

Learning points:- Builds on illness activity and allows pupils to explore the vast range of jobs/roles available to them within the NHS. Can be used in careers session with pupils. The NHS is a major employer within Scotland and there is a huge range of staff and expertise we need to keep the NHS working. This activity looks beyond the typical clinical roles that we are associated with the NHS such as Doctor/Nurse/Physiotherapist.

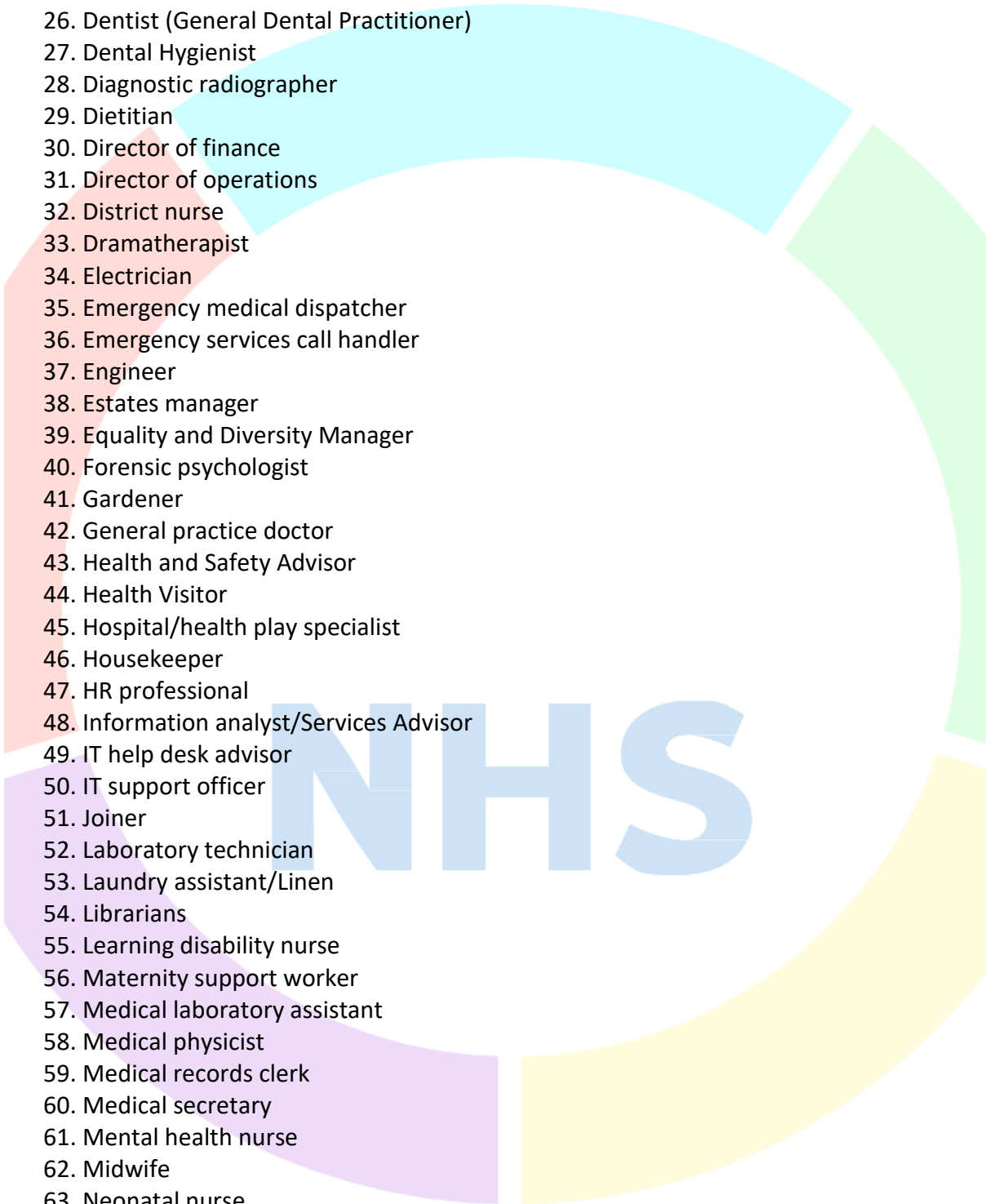
Part One

Ask pupils to write down as many jobs you can think of in the NHS in 60 seconds. There are over 350 different types of careers in the NHS – a few are detailed below. Each pupil shouts out one job, no-one is allowed to repeat any jobs. Keep going until no-one can think of any more. Record each job on flip-chart.

You can highlight that most families will have at least one member who works in the NHS in some way. Focus on some of the lesser known roles such as Estates Manager, IT specialist or Librarian. How do they help the NHS? If you can, ask the NHS to have a group of speakers in to talk to pupils about their role.

Many NHS boards also have careers days that have staff from a wide variety of departments than just for pupils looking at professional careers. Contact your local NHS for further information.

1. Accident and emergency doctor
2. Accountant
3. Adult nurse
4. Anatomical pathology technologist
5. Audiologist
6. Ambulance Staff
7. Biomedical scientist
8. Emergency call handler
9. Cardiac physiologist
10. Chaplain
11. Chef
12. Chief executive
13. Children's nurse
14. Clinical audit assistant
15. Clinical audit facilitator
16. Clinical coder
17. Clinical psychologist
18. Clinical scientist in embryology
19. Clinical skills technician
20. Clinical technologist

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21. Communications - PR executive
 22. Community pharmacist
 23. Counselling psychologist
 24. Counsellor
 25. Decontamination sciences technician
 26. Dentist (General Dental Practitioner)
 27. Dental Hygienist
 28. Diagnostic radiographer
 29. Dietitian
 30. Director of finance
 31. Director of operations
 32. District nurse
 33. Dramatherapist
 34. Electrician
 35. Emergency medical dispatcher
 36. Emergency services call handler
 37. Engineer
 38. Estates manager
 39. Equality and Diversity Manager
 40. Forensic psychologist
 41. Gardener
 42. General practice doctor
 43. Health and Safety Advisor
 44. Health Visitor
 45. Hospital/health play specialist
 46. Housekeeper
 47. HR professional
 48. Information analyst/Services Advisor
 49. IT help desk advisor
 50. IT support officer
 51. Joiner
 52. Laboratory technician
 53. Laundry assistant/Linen
 54. Librarians
 55. Learning disability nurse
 56. Maternity support worker
 57. Medical laboratory assistant
 58. Medical physicist
 59. Medical records clerk
 60. Medical secretary
 61. Mental health nurse
 62. Midwife
 63. Neonatal nurse
 64. Network manager
 65. Occupational health advisor

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66. Occupational therapist
67. Occupational therapy assistant
68. Operating department practitioner
69. Organisational Development manager
70. Orthoptist
71. Paediatrician
72. Painter and Decorator
73. Paramedic
74. Pathologist
75. Pathology links officer
76. Personal assistant
77. Pharmacist
78. Phlebotomist
79. Physiotherapist
80. Plumber
81. Podiatrist
82. Porter
83. Prosthetics/orthotist
84. Procurement manager
85. Public Health Nurse/manger
86. Psychiatrist
87. Psychotherapist
88. Quality Improvement Advisor
89. Radiographer
90. Receptionist
91. Reconstructive scientist
92. Respiratory physiologist
93. Social Worker
94. Software engineer
95. Specialist paramedic
96. Speech and language therapist
97. Surgeon
98. Switchboard operator
99. Systems analyst
100. Window cleaner

Part Two:-

Follow up activity one with the videos below. Permission may need to be sought to broadcast to large audience

- <https://www.stepintohenhs.nhs.uk/careers/videos> - NHS careers videos

- <https://www.stepintohenhs.nhs.uk/careers/take-the-test> - Career test
- <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/explore-roles> - Details different roles in NHS

