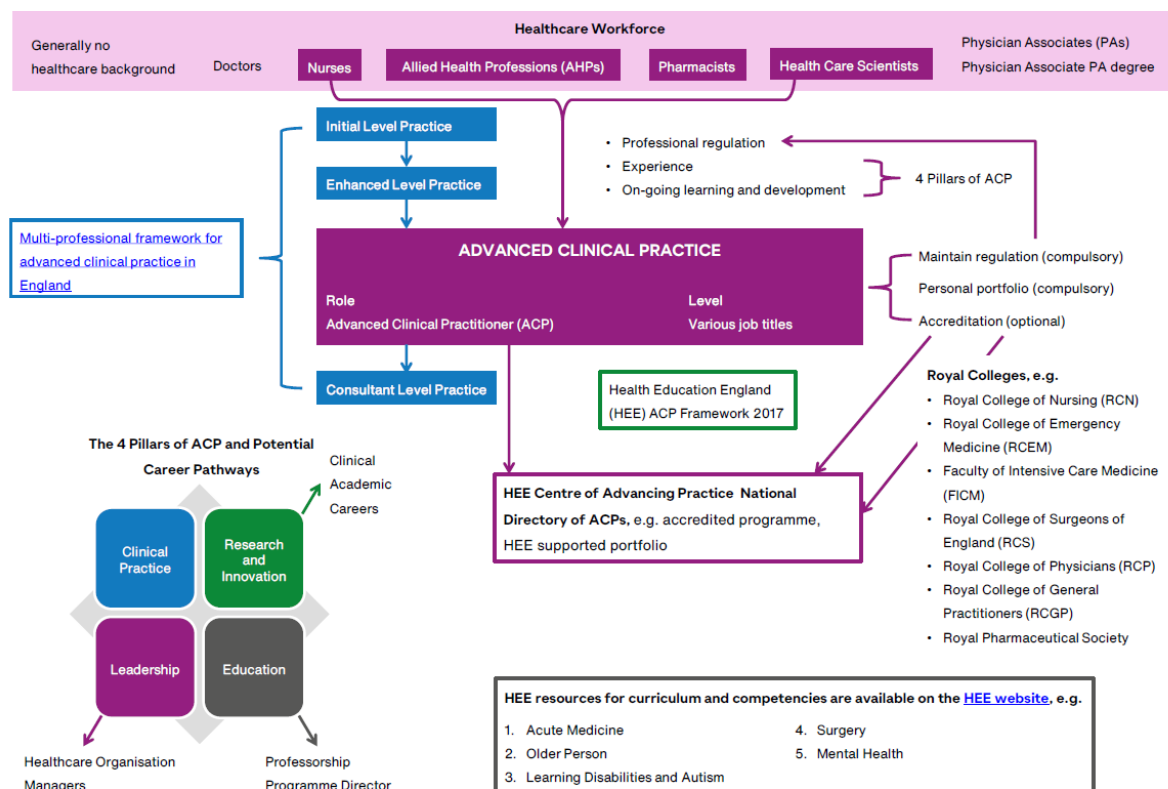


Routes into Advanced Clinical Practice



MSc Advanced Practice study

There are **three routes** into MSc Advanced Practice study, all of which are funded.

- ePortfolio (supported) route:** for experienced advanced practitioner who are working clinically in advanced practitioner roles on a regular basis, and who have already completed their advanced practice experiential and education learning mostly before 2017, when the [Multi Professional Framework](#) was published. For more information and expression of interest for this route see [HERE](#).
- Standard MSc route** is funded from NHS England; Students that are accepted receive £10,200 per year for 3 years of which £2,600 must be used each year to provide Clinical Supervision support (minimum 1 hr a week) and the remainder to fund university study. Total funding over 3 years £30,600.
- Apprenticeship MSc route** attracts more funding and is from the apprenticeship levy, around £12,000 per year for 3 years (up to £36,000 in total). A minimum of £2,600 should go towards supporting Clinical Supervision for the student.

All funding must be used for the benefit of the students study and cannot be used for backfill.

Detailed information about funding can be found here: [Advanced Practice - Website Content - NHSE EOE advancing practice funding FAQ document 2024_25 V.1.pdf - All Documents \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

How many study days for the course?

The Advanced Practice MSc course is part-time over 3 years. Although this can be reduced if prior learning is approved by the university.

One day a week out of clinical practice for 3 years to attend chosen university. Also, personal time for self-directed study and to complete course work.

Entry Criteria

1. Applicant must be contracted to work in an NHS commissioned service
2. Currently registration with one of the statutory regulators of health and care professions; Nurse, Pharmacist or AH.
3. Have a first degree in health related discipline (*although some universities will consider Applicants with evidence of equivalent professional development or academic proficiency*).
4. Must be contracted to work for a minimum of 30 hours a week – *if applying for apprenticeship route*
5. Must have evidence of English and Maths at grade C or above – *in apply for apprenticeship route*

Employer responsibility:

1. Must provide an Advanced Practice training post during training.
2. Guarantees an Advanced Practice post on completion of training.
3. Provides clinical support and supervision.
4. Provides a named co-ordinating clinical supervisor and supervision plan
5. Provide a positive learning environment

Applying for funding for routes 2 and 3 above (standard and apprenticeship MSc)

1. Email the hwetraininghub@nhs.net to express interest in Advanced Practice study and funding.
2. The training hub will email back a preapplication form
3. Preapplication form is completed and returned
4. A meeting (usually virtually) is arranged with pre-applicant and training hub clinical lead. We go through application and answer any questions, we then agree if it is appropriate to put applicant forward for funding to NHS England.
5. NHS England will confirm if funding has been granted.
6. When confirmation of funding it received student will then be asked to apply to their chosen university.