



**Health Innovation**  
Yorkshire & Humber

**Transforming Lives  
Through Innovation**



**Economic Growth &  
Innovation Ecosystem  
Manager**

**June 2026**



# Health Innovation Yorkshire & Humber

## Recruitment Pack

including Job description and Person Specification

If you want to make a difference in Yorkshire and the Humber – and beyond – you have come to the right place. We need determined and passionate people to work with us to deliver our wide range of programmes. We want people who look at our values and think . yes, that’s just where I want to be!

We use our skills, knowledge, networks and relationships to understand the system and patient needs locally and regionally. We develop projects, programmes and initiatives that reflect the diversity of our local population and its healthcare challenges.

Our Project Managers need to be adaptable, flexible and willing to embrace ambiguity. You will need excellent communication, report writing and relationship building skills, the ability to deliver at pace and expertise in programme and project management. You will be task and finish focused, bring with you a positive, professional mindset, a ‘Can-do’ attitude, and the ability to work and communicate with our diverse set of stakeholders.

**We are looking for people who are comfortable working across multiple projects/themes and who are agile and flexible. The main aspect of this role will be to deliver our HIN commercial support offer to SMEs and innovators and be involved in supporting the adoption of complex, transformative technologies via working with combined authorities and the NHS. As such we are looking for candidates who have experience, knowledge and skills in NHS procurement, NHS commissioning, local government, partnerships, information governance and MedTech, including the regulatory environment**

You’ll be joining a committed and high performing team that focuses on patient outcomes and supporting the people of Yorkshire and the Humber. We are committed to creating and sustaining a positive and inclusive working environment for all our employees to ensure our work and our workforce represents the communities we serve.





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### **How To Apply**

This is a full time 2 year contract with possibility of extension

If you are interested in the role and meet the requirements in the person specification, please apply by sending **a CV and a 1 page covering letter** explaining why the role interests you and why you want to work with us.

The CV and covering letter should be emailed to [hr@healthinnovationyh.com](mailto:hr@healthinnovationyh.com) no later than 12 noon on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2026.

**Late applications will not be accepted.**



# Our values

Our values are the things that we hold dear and are important to us, reflecting how we work and who we are collectively. Through our behaviours, we apply these values internally to create a supportive and innovative culture and enable high impact collaborations with external partners and stakeholders.



## Stronger Together

We're confident in the results we can achieve when we're united with our colleagues, stakeholders and partners.

We are: **Connected, Trusting and Honest partners**



## Always Learning

Every day's a school day. We constantly develop ways to excel and work tirelessly to build our expertise.

We are: **Switched-on, Improvers and Grafters**



## People People

We love catching up for a cuppa and a natter but, more than that, we're curious to learn more about other people's perspectives.

We are: **Caring, Inclusive and Open-minded**



## Energetic Pioneers

We find new things and ideas that can make a difference to the health and prosperity of our region. This is what gets us out of bed in the morning.

We are: **Adventurous, Passionate and Resourceful**

## Purpose



**Transform lives  
through innovation**

## Vision



**Improve the health and prosperity  
of our region by unlocking the  
potential of new ideas**

## 5-year mission



Our knowledge,  
skills, and expertise  
will demonstrate that we  
are world leaders in unlocking  
innovation to address current  
and future health, economic,  
and societal challenges.



# Our 5-year strategic aims

Our strategic aims provide direction and focus for us as an organisation, supporting progress towards our mission. They provide greater detail on the 5-year ambition of the organisation, whilst providing a framework for decision-making and resource allocation.



## Strengthening our foundations

Investment in our future starts at our heart. By continuing to invest in, and develop our people's skills and leadership, we will be equipped for further growth.



## Enhance our role and reputation

We hold a unique role as trusted thought leaders with global reach. We'll use this position to drive lasting change and improve life outcomes by empowering our communities.



## Be fit for the future

We will ensure our ways of working are innovative, agile, and continually challenge the status quo. We will equip ourselves to better identify and respond to societal challenges of the future.



## Foster connections

Our continued commitment to collaboration will strengthen strategic partnerships for the benefit of our population. We will ensure visibility of our work and its impact to foster advocacy and grow new business.



## Grow our region

We will lead the way in promoting Yorkshire and the Humber and its assets to create a thriving, globally-connected innovation ecosystem. We commit to growing and diversifying our role to accelerate economic growth and prosperity, recognising our own success contributes to the region's success.



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- Salary between £48,321 -£54,359 per annum, depending on experience
- Flexible and agile working – hybrid working between home and office, plus other locations as required
- 25 days holiday + statutory days
- 3 day office closure between Christmas/New Year bank holidays
- Holiday buy-back scheme via salary sacrifice
- Contributory matched pension (up to 10%)
- Learning and Development opportunities
- All-staff away days
- Wellbeing programme
- Employee Assistance Programme/Mental Health First Aiders
- Electric Car Scheme
- Financial Wellbeing Programme





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## Job Description

This new role will work across our combined authority projects with a focus on supporting health and life sciences clusters and eco systems, supporting inward investment, and driving the adoption of innovation across Yorkshire and the Humber.

You will:

- Support regional projects across our combined authorities and local government partners which support the NHS plan and Life Sciences Sector plan
- Consolidate, curate and promote existing support for SMEs and innovators, e.g., our Propel@YH Digital Health accelerator, innovator offers from key stakeholders Medilink, Medipex, the Innovate UK 'family', NHS Innovation pop-ups.
- Host events and engagement workshops for both SMEs, innovators and cluster stakeholders to promote Yorkshire to local, national and internal businesses and investors and support B2B opportunities.
- Support demand signalling work with the NHS and industry
- Work to produce a dynamic innovator offer resource which signposts relevant regional support for SMEs.
- Build upon our existing funding bulletin for SMEs to produce a transparent and accessible resource for innovators seeking funding and investment.
- Amplify existing and planned activity relevant to the sector - such as Leeds Digital Festival - maximising reach and impact.
- Continue to provide expert advice and guidance to individual SMEs via our commercial team, funded via Office of Life Sciences
- Support SMEs and entrepreneurs to develop their innovations and work with the research community to get the evidence that's needed to prove whether or not an innovation works.





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- Be supporting delivery of project to introduce innovative practices, products and services into health and care organisations to make a difference to patients and staff.
- Be engaging regularly with clinicians, academics, industry representatives.
- Support grant funding and investment into the region.
- Horizon scan a pipeline of health and life sciences innovations for potential national scale and export, and socialise these companies with senior NHS decision makers.
- Produce a suite of growth case studies
- Work closely with our Enterprise and Innovation team to ensure alignment with our Office of Life Sciences portfolio and economic growth.

### **Key Duties and Responsibilities**

- Working on a variety of projects at any given time, you will manage key priorities effectively and keep all stakeholders up to date with project progress.
- Liaise with marketing and communication teams in partner organizations to ensure our messages reach a wide innovator-based audience and other stakeholders.
- Build relationships throughout Health Innovation Yorkshire and Humber, Combined Authorities, regional health and life sciences clusters, and our key partners to enable the proactive development and delivery of communications and engagement activity.
- Work closely with senior officers and other clinical colleagues, academics and managers to scope, design, develop and deliver key projects.
- Lead projects as directed by the Workstream Leads, Head of Portfolio and the Executive team.
- Support and advise innovators who are developing healthcare technologies to appropriate support for clinical validation, user testing, intellectual property advice etc.





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- Support and advise SMEs with market ready innovations who are aiming to access NHS markets.
- Support the development of detailed documents, plans and resource allocations for projects.
- Produce regular and detailed performance reports against agreed metrics and KPIs for all projects.
- Design and organise conferences and facilitate workshops in support of projects being managed.
- Maintain all project documentation ready for review and audit.
- Provide a central resource for information about projects - including communications, updates, documentation, progress, and actions.
- Support communications, liaising with the Marketing and Communications Team as necessary.
- Send out communications to the team to update everyone on the progress of projects and any issues people need to be aware of.
- Contribute to steering group discussions.
- Actively work as a team member, contributing to initiatives that aim to improve the effectiveness of the team and organisation.

### **Education and Professional development**

- Take every reasonable opportunity to maintain and improve professional knowledge
- Develop own skills and knowledge and provide information to others to help individual and team development
- Participate in personal objective settings and review, including a personal development plan.





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## Special Requirements:

- You may on occasion be required to work irregular hours in accordance with the needs of the role
- You will routinely be expected to travel across the region, London and other locations to meet with members of the YH Health Innovation team, project stakeholders and others.

## Health and Safety

- Ensure that you remain compliant with health and safety regulations and accepted safe practice at all times. Report any health and safety issues or contraventions witnessed anywhere within the business to your Manager or in their absence a Director
- Work efficiently and responsibly within all areas of the Company in a safe manner sharing good practice with colleagues.

## General

- You will contribute to continuous improvement of working practices
- You will comply with all policies and procedures within the Company
- Carry out all duties with regards to and ensuring equal opportunities and work with all employees within the Company in the fulfilment of our aims and objectives.





**Economic Growth & Innovation Ecosystem Manager- Person Specification (if not stated otherwise, the specification is essential)**

**Qualifications**

- Educated to degree level or equivalent in relevant subject or equivalent relevant experience
- Project Management qualification (Desirable)

**Knowledge & Experience**

- Working knowledge of the NHS system, especially ICSs
- Public sector/local government knowledge/experience
- Experience of managing and delivering a number of concurrent complex project on time and within budget
- Knowledge of using techniques for planning, monitoring and controlling projects, including risk management
- Experience of producing business cases
- Experience of NHS commissioning or procurement is desirable
- Experience of the MedTech/regulatory environment is desirable
- Understanding of NHS/public sector policy relevant the testing and adoption of technologies
- Experience of working with Projects management software
- Awareness of budgeting and resource allocation
- Highly IT proficient

**Qualities and abilities**

- Comfortable operating at pace and speed and able to react positively to rapidly changing circumstances
- Excellent communicator with the ability to ensure engagement with all stakeholders
- Excellent written communication and reporting skills
- Ability to work collaboratively





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- Ability to work autonomously
- Ability to put across complex ideas simply and succinctly in order to engage stakeholder support
- Ability to quickly grasp new ideas and concepts
- Problem solving skills
- Ability to work on own initiative
- Committed team worker

### **Personal characteristics**

- Have a passion for the work we deliver and resonate with our values
- Resilient
- Dynamic, energetic and resourceful
- Committed to diversity, equality and inclusion
- Professional and organised approach
- Proactive and results orientated
- An attitude of continuous improvement and innovation

### **Other**

- Ability and willingness to undertake travel within the UK

