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Dear Colleague

Re: Healthy Living Alliance – Boots National Pharmacy Training Programme

You may already be aware that the Healthy Living Alliance (HLA) has teamed up with Boots to work in partnership in the delivery of their pharmacy training programme. After extensive research into community organisations, Boots felt that the HLA and its members was an ideal partner to deliver a UK volunteering programme for its 600 trainee pharmacists. This is seen as a national programme and will be incorporated into Boots pharmacy pre – registration training across the UK.

Following the success of last year's programme; this year, Boots would particularly like the students to be involved with Health Promotion, bringing expertise such as smoking cessation, weight management, sexual health etc.

From August onwards, teams of trainee Pharmacists will be using the HLA website 'search facility' to identify potential HLA members (HLC/T's) across the UK to work in partnership with. The HLA and Boots would like to encourage your organisation to become members of the HLA and agree to become involved with this national programme and to also take advantage of developing long term relationships with local Boots pharmacists, for example, jointly promoting awareness campaigns. There is a small annual cost to become a member, the HLA provide bursaries' to small organisations and in most cases membership will be free.

The HLA aims to give everyone an equal chance to improve their health and well-being. It is the only national organisation focusing specifically on healthy living in its broadest sense and on measures to prevent ill-health. Launched in 2005, the HLA now represents a wide range of healthy living initiatives like your selves. It also works in partnership with the Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales Alliances.

Enclosed you will find information about the Boots National Pharmacy Training Programme and how to become a member of the HLA. If you would like help or have questions about membership, please contact the HLA membership coordinator Debbie Hughes – 0750 4303 521, email debbie.hughes@healthylivingalliance.org. Or go to the HLA website www.healthylivingalliance.org.

Alternatively please do not hesitate to contact me directly using the contact details below.

Yours sincerely

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NB – *There is a small annual membership fee of £50 per year. For small organisations, bursaries and no cost options are available at the discretion of the HLA, please contact the HLA directly.*

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