

L&W's international peer learning activity for pre-apprenticeship providers

L&W are welcoming applications to participate in our programme of international peer learning activity for pre-apprenticeship providers.

Pre-apprenticeship programmes are targeted at young people aged 16-24, where the main aim is progression to an apprenticeship. Some programmes are explicitly called 'pre-apprenticeships' whilst others will have specific brand names. Such programmes prepare young people for apprenticeships by providing a combination of vocational training and hands-on experience, however, the components and specific aims vary by individual programme.

L&W's peer learning activity will enable individuals to exchange experiences, knowledge, and ideas to facilitate the sharing of new and effective approaches to delivering pre-apprenticeships. It will provide an opportunity for individuals and organisations to reflect upon their own practice, gain practical insight into how others work, discuss the challenges they face and how these challenges can be overcome.

This virtual programme will run from May 2021 to November 2021.

Selected organisations will have the opportunity to:

- Develop valuable working relationships with pre-apprenticeship providers across the world
- Engage in targeted action planning to enhance your pre-apprenticeship, tailored to your programme's strengths and challenges
- Gain practical insight into how pre-apprenticeship programmes are designed and delivered in a range of country contexts, and for different groups of young people
- Attend two international knowledge exchange events in 2021
- Gain access to L&W's pre-apprenticeship webinar series in Spring 2021, with specialist expert speakers on a range of topical issues
- Receive ongoing advice and guidance from an L&W colleague

Peer learning activity will involve:

- Participating in an initial virtual meeting with a member of L&W's pre-apprenticeships team
- Joining a small working group of pre-apprenticeship providers who will meet on an ongoing basis to share experiences, expertise, and ideas
- Developing a tailored action plan for your pre-apprenticeship programme

- Participating in regular meetings with your L&W key contact to share learning from your working group
- L&W writing a case study about your experience of participating in the peer learning activity, highlighting how you have developed your programme and the difference that it has made
- Providers will receive a one-off payment of £500 to their organisation in recognition of their time and commitment to the programme

How to apply

Please complete this short [application form](#) by **Friday 19 March 2021**.

Selected organisations will be contacted during the week commencing 29 March 2021.

To arrange an informal discussion about our peer learning activity, please email:

pre-apprenticeships@learningandwork.org.uk.