

Dear East Midlands Teaching School Colleagues,

In this week's update there are lots of acronyms:

**EMTSSG**

**EMTSA Network**

**SSIF**

**Supporting evidence-based school improvement**

**Regional Conference**

**Ofsted Conference**

**ITT**

### **EMTSSG**

[EMTSSG](#) met on May 18<sup>th</sup>. There were two main areas of discussion, SSIF progress on bidding to date and thinking about delivery options for 2017/18. A copy of the notes and associated papers will be posted on the portal when they have been finalised. Both areas and the associated papers were also discussed at the EMTSA network on June 6<sup>th</sup>.

### **EMTSA network**

Those colleagues that joined us at the [EMTSA network](#) meeting on June 6<sup>th</sup> will know that this was the last meeting to be chaired by Helen Joy. Helen is stepping down from the role and handing over the reins to Anju Virdee at Synergy TSA in Derbyshire. The network and region thanks Helen for the tremendous work that she has done in leading EMTSA since its conception when the first Teaching Schools in the region were designated. The region owes Helen a great deal as the networking that we all enjoy today would not be in place without the support of her and the work she has undertaken tirelessly across the region. The next EMTSA meeting is due to take place on November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 at Forest Way Teaching School. Thank you, Helen, from all of us.

### **SSIF**

On June 5<sup>th</sup>, the region held a 'writing an evidence based bid' workshop using the [Education Endowment Foundation guidance](#). Thanks to Diane Herritage from the Yorkshire and Humber Region and Juliet Brooks from the Kyra Research School who led the workshop. All the materials from the workshop are available via the [portal here](#). The workshop was repeated as a Webinar for colleagues in the North West on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June. We have requested a link to the recording and will post this on the portal and ensure that colleagues know when it is available.

### **Supporting evidence-based school improvement**

Booking is open for the Kyra Research School Teacher-led Research programme until 16 June 2017.

The Teacher-led Research Programme aims to enable teachers and leaders at all levels to develop research literacy skills, build capacity within schools to undertake research (using, analysing, and evaluating the evidence) and develop reflexivity so that practice-based research becomes embedded as a tool for school improvement.

£350 + VAT

To book your place <https://kyra.researchschool.org.uk/2017/03/31/trainingcpd/>

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### Conference

There are around 40 places left on the East Midlands School Led Conference, [Investing in your workforce](#). If you have not already booked your place please ensure you do so by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June as after this date we will be making any unallocated places available on a first come first served basis.

### Ofsted Conference

Ofsted's East Midlands NLE Conference takes place on the 7 July 2017 at the Crowne Plaze Nottingham. Any NLE that has not yet registered can book by emailing [EM.Events@ofsted.gov.uk](mailto:EM.Events@ofsted.gov.uk). An agenda can be found on the attached document.

### ITT

The attached was sent out by [ITT.ALLOCATIONS@education.gov.uk](mailto:ITT.ALLOCATIONS@education.gov.uk) on June 6<sup>th</sup> 2017. We have replicated it in full as we are aware of its importance and wanted to be sure that colleagues have received it.

*"We are pleased to confirm that the process to request initial teacher training (ITT) places, including early years ITT for the 2018 to 2019 academic year will be open from **9am Monday 5 June until midday Thursday 22 June 2017**.*

*Accredited ITT providers that hold a good or outstanding Ofsted rating are already approved to provide the full range of ITT courses, including early years ITT. Lead schools and ITT providers will be asked to indicate a range of numbers for their request, based on a realistic assessment of local need and a minimum number below which they would not be viable to deliver the course. This range should be included in their submission through NCTL data management system (DMS) by **midday on Thursday 22 June 2017**.*

*All lead schools and ITT providers should also submit a pro forma ([Annex B](#)) to NCTL by **midday on Thursday 22 June 2017**. This pro forma will allow lead schools and ITT providers to submit any further relevant information relating to their request for places that they believe would be beneficial to share. For example, lead schools and ITT providers may wish to indicate the reasons for any significant changes in the size of their request. We also invite lead schools and ITT providers to provide optional detail on their assessments for 2019 and 2020 ITT. This is only necessary if they are projecting a need that is different from 2018, and will help us with our future planning. The pro forma also includes a section for lead schools to provide information on their existing relationships with partner schools. The pro forma should be submitted to [itt.allocations@education.gov.uk](mailto:itt.allocations@education.gov.uk).*

*New lead schools and providers must complete registration for the UCAS Teacher Training system by **5pm on Friday 21 July 2017**. Existing providers that are already registered with UCAS must also ensure that all programme information is correct by **5pm on Friday 21 July 2017**.*

### Registration

*To be able to deliver ITT places in 2018 to 2019 you will need to meet the eligibility criteria and*

complete all registration requirements. Please read the [full guidance](#) before you register. All registrations for provider-led courses from potential new providers (PNPs) must be submitted through the NCTL [data management system](#) (DMS).

**Important Note: 2017 to 2018 allocations, 25% allocations increase**

Please be aware that during the three-week request window period you will be unable to request any increase to your original allocation up to the new 25% threshold against the criteria within the NCTL DMS for 2017 to 2018 academic year. During this period, it is important that you email your requests to us at [itt.allocations@education.gov.uk](mailto:itt.allocations@education.gov.uk).

The 2018 to 2019 academic year allocations request timeline is as follows:

<b>9am Monday 5 June 2017</b>	Request window for ITT training places (including early years ITT) opens
<b>By midday Thursday 22 June 2017</b>	ITT Accredited providers/SCITTs submit their requests via the <a href="#">initial teacher training (ITT) data management system</a>
<b>Midday Thursday 22 June 2017</b>	Request window closes

We will write to lead schools and ITT providers when the allocation of places is determined and available to view on the ITT DMS.

**Early Years ITT**

For the 2018 to 2019 academic year, early years initial teacher-training allocation requests are being processed via the ITT data management system in the same way as ITT allocation requests are. Any accredited provider can request early years places, leading to the award of early years teacher status (EYTS). To request places, you must register your request on the ITT data management system. ITT providers should use either the HEI data management system homepage or, if they are a SCITT, the NCTL data management system homepage to access the system. Please note the Responsible ARMS Officer (RAO) for each provision can use the system to request early years places. Early years administrators should check who their RAO is for their accredited provision as the RAO will also be responsible for requesting ITT places leading to the award of QTS.

**PNPs**

All registrations for provider-led courses from potential new providers (PNPs) must be submitted through the NCTL [data management system](#) (DMS).

Any lead schools who are planning to work with a PNP during the 2018 to 2019 academic year must register their School Direct courses by selecting the PNP as their ratifying ITT provider. The PNP must then ratify these places in the NCTL DMS. Registration for all postgraduate 2018 to 2019 ITT provision will open at **9am on Monday 5 June 2017** and will close at **midday on Thursday 22 June 2017**. Whilst we can consider transferring a lead school's registered courses to an existing ITT provider if the PNP is ultimately not accredited for 2018 to 2019, they must not register separate courses with another ITT provider unless they intend to work with more than one during 2018 to 2019.

**UCAS**

We will not be forwarding information to UCAS regarding any provider-led or School Direct courses linked to PNPs until the accreditation process is completed. This means that PNPs and any lead schools who are only working with a PNP will not be able to set up their UCAS profile or training

programmes until the PNP is accredited. However, if the lead school is also working with an existing ITT provider, they will be able to set up these programmes on UCAS.

#### *Accreditation deadline*

*In order for PNPs to be able to start running their courses and recruit effectively for 2018 to 2019, we recommend that accreditation should be received by September 2017.*

*This will ensure that the PNP has the maximum time to recruit trainees effectively to their course through UCAS. We might consider allowing any PNPs accredited after September 2017 to recruit for 2018 to 2019, but only if they can demonstrate that they will be able to do so effectively. Please contact the Accreditation team at [itt.accreditation@education.gov.uk](mailto:itt.accreditation@education.gov.uk) if you have any queries about the accreditation process.*

#### **NCTL DMS**

*PNPs will be contacted separately with their login details and operating name on the NCTL DMS.*

#### **Subject knowledge enhancement provision**

*We recently invited schools bidding to become Teacher Subject Specialism Training (TSST) providers to indicate their interest in delivering subject knowledge enhancement (SKE) for trainee teachers. A significant number of schools did so, and we are looking to increase this number. You can view further information about the [SKE programme](#) and details of schools that are currently delivering or actively considering running SKE in the academic year 2017 to 2018. If you have further questions please email [ta.ske@education.gov.uk](mailto:ta.ske@education.gov.uk).*

*If you have any other questions, you can contact the Allocations team at [itt.allocations@education.gov.uk](mailto:itt.allocations@education.gov.uk).*

*Regards,  
The Allocations Team"*

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