

SIP North East

Driving a local approach to skills and supporting you to find the right training to develop your workforce



SIP North East (SIP NE) is a regional Skills Group for employers in the science based-sector

It is part of the wider Science Industry Partnership, which is a powerful alliance that is leading on the skills needed to generate innovation and growth in the sector

Members are driving a local approach to addressing skills challenges, growing the skills pipeline and developing specialist training provision

Membership also means access to the Science Industry Apprenticeship Consortium which sources quality, off-the-job apprenticeship training based on the common needs of members

About the Group

SIP NE members meet quarterly. Through this network you will gain direct insights into what others are doing and the benefits they are gaining from their approach to skills, as well as keeping up-to-date with skills funding and policy.

SIP NE sees employers in the region working together on addressing both science and non-science skills needs as well as addressing specialist skills shortages which are arising in line with advances in technology.

About the meetings

There is a clear connection to the Science Industry Partnership's national strategy and Operational Plans. Meetings include participation from:

- Employers from the Science Industries in the North East
- Invited partners and stakeholders with appropriate skills programmes for the Science Industries in the region, for example the Tees Valley Combined Authority (TVCA), NEPIC and the Institute of Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE)
- The Science Industry Partnership team who provide the Secretariat for SIP Regional Meetings

Membership of SIP NE also provides discounted access to the SIP Ambassador Programme, the SIP's network of industry professionals who engage, inspire and enthuse young people into careers within the science based industries.

About the Science Industry Apprenticeship Consortium (SIAC)

Membership of SIP NE provides access to SIAC, which facilitates the recruitment of cohorts of learners who are all training together on industry-developed Apprenticeship Standards, including for example:

- Science Manufacturing Technician
- Science Industry Maintenance Technician
- Laboratory Technician
- Laboratory Scientist

Members can be confident that their apprentices are all being trained to a national standard, which results in a highly respected apprenticeship award and proof of competence in an occupation. The standards also deliver a set of expected behaviours needed for the highly regulated environment in which members operate.



Benefits

- Quarterly skills networking meetings to share best practice and new thinking
- Influencing core and specialist skills delivery in the North East so that it fits with your business needs
- Collaboration to establish/enhance local apprenticeship delivery through SIAC
- Involvement in Apprenticeship Standards development
- Partnering in collaborative bids to support local skills development
- Understanding how Apprenticeships might enhance the talent pipeline
- Quarterly Skills and Policy Updates
- Regular Member Webinars
- SIP website including member materials
- Access to SIP Ambassador discounted training

Supporting SIP NE

Matt Bradshaw, Head of Learning & Development and Lean Six Sigma at FUJIFILM Diosynth Biotechnologies and Chair of SIP North East said: *"Members of SIP North East come together to work collaboratively and share best practice right across skills and education. We share insights on what we are doing on people development regionally and nationally, as well as progress and challenges in attracting and retaining a more diverse workforce and on-going concerns in areas such as T level placements and ensuring high quality, regional provision."*



Fees

| Size of Company | Fee |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Over 250 employees | £2,500 + vat |
| Under 250 employees | £1,000 + vat |



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