The UK Public Health Rapid Support Team is looking to recruit a pool of specialist staff from the partner institutions, to provide surge capacity to the core UK-PHRST team. Reservists will remain employed by their primary organisation / home department but will be available for release to deploy when called upon.

A wide range of posts are available and include:

- Field Epidemiologists
- Microbiologists
- Social Scientists
- Data Scientists
- Infection, Prevention and Control Specialists
- Logistician

The UK Public Health Rapid Support Team (UK-PHRST) is an integral part of Her Majesty’s Government (HMG) response to global health security, funded by UK Department of Health Official Development Assistance (ODA), contributing to the strategic objectives of prevention, detection and early response to global health threats.

It is a partnership between Public Health England and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, with academic partners at University of Oxford and King’s College London with a triple mandate that links outbreak response, innovative operational research during and between outbreaks and capacity building for outbreak response in low and middle income countries.

A core objective of the programme is to rapidly investigate and respond to disease outbreaks at the source, with the aim of stopping a public health threat from becoming a health emergency. The UK-PHRST core deployable team consists of specialists in laboratory microbiology, epidemiology, infection prevention and control, clinical case management and research, social sciences, data management and logistical support who are available to deploy within 48 hours of a request being approved.

Reservists may be called upon to deploy a maximum of two times a year, with a maximum duration of six weeks for each deployment. In addition, Reservists must undergo a comprehensive induction package covering occupational health clearances and specialist training that will take up to two weeks. In addition to their technical competency, candidates will be assessed on their ability to work in a team and communicate effectively in a multi-cultural environment.

Reservists must be available to be deployed within 48 hours of request by the UK-PHRST. It is understood that reservists may not be available for each and every deployment, but applicants and their line managers should nevertheless have confidence that the majority of the time they will be able to deploy when called.

The applicants must be employees of one of the partner institutions of the UK PHRST: Public Health England, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University of Oxford, Kings College London.

Honorary contracts and secondments are not covered by the eligibility criteria.

The UK-PHRST is not able to cover travel costs for mandatory training and occupational health appointments for those based outside the UK.
Applicants should be currently performing similar duties and responsibilities in their permanent positions as the posts for which they apply and have the written approval to participate from their current employer and line manager.

Reservists may be asked to act as team leader if needed. Further details are given in the individual Job Descriptions and Person Specifications available on the UK-PHRST Reserve Cadre advert link posted below.

For personnel working outside PHE, posts will be offered on bank contract terms and conditions (for 18 months). Successful candidates will be expected to take unpaid leave from their current employer for the days they are required for UK-PHRST training, occupational health appointments and deployments, but will be paid directly by PHE for the hours worked at their current salary. Annual leave may not be used to meet UK-PHRST commitments.

Joining the UK-PHRST Reserve Cadre is conditional to;

- Satisfactory completion of an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check
- National Vetting System Security Clearance (Security Check). Individuals must either have an SC clearance or be able to obtain and maintain one for the duration of their employment with the UK-PHRST reserve cadre.
- Being declared medically ‘fit for deployment’ prior to placement. All medical appointment records will be confidentially retained in line with PHE information governance policies.
- Completing the UK-PHRST mandatory training programme

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Please also ensure you have read the UK-PHRST Information Pack and completed the signature page. This document is available via the above application links. Before submitting your application, please email the signed Information Pack to UKPHRST@PHE.gov.uk

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