

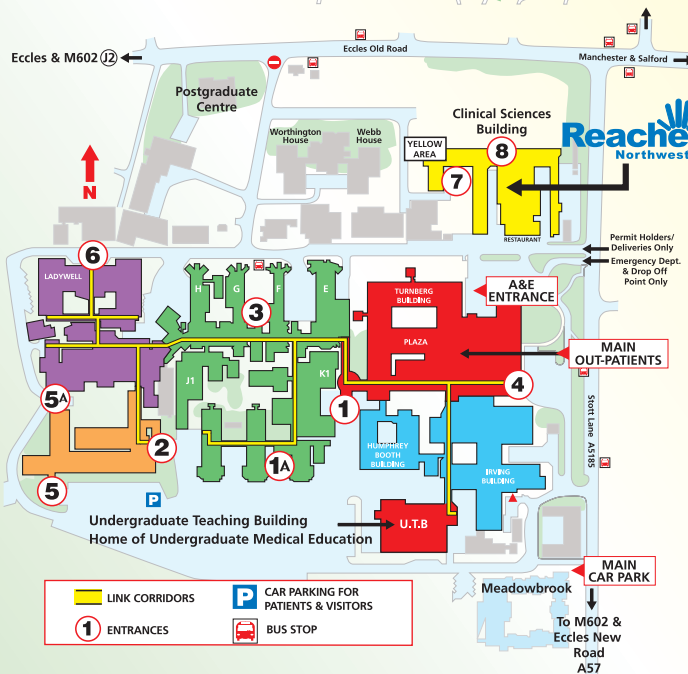


**Winner of the Greater Manchester NHS Award for Excellence in Education, Training and Development, 2005**

Reache North West is a purpose built centre in Hope Hospital in Salford. It has been set up to assist refugee and asylum seeking Healthcare Professionals in the North West to register their qualification in the UK.

We also assist them in seeking professional employment in the UK National Health Service (NHS).

Reache works with organisations in the NHS, higher education and refugee support. The unit is funded by NHS North West.



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# Are you a Health Professional ?

Refugee and Asylum Seekers Centre for Healthcare Professionals Education



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## General Support

- Pastoral support and career guidance
- Use of computers (internet access), DVD's, cassettes and textbooks
- Limited assistance with travel costs where appropriate

## English Support

### *International English Language Testing System (IELTS) preparation*

Through formal weekly courses and intensive sessions, with supporting materials.

### *English practice in a medical context*

The PLAN (Patients - Listening to, Advising and Negotiating with them) meetings provide the opportunity for English practice with UK medical students taking the role of patients.

### *Journal Club*

English comprehension - reading and discussing a different article from a medical or scientific journal each week.

## Medical Examination Preparation

### *PLAB 1*

Preparatory sessions on medical topics given by hospital consultants and Reache tutors, with practice of PLAB 1 style questions related to the topic.

### *PLAB 2*

The Reache centre has manikins and other materials needed to practice for PLAB 2. **Reache members may** be funded to attend an external preparatory PLAB 2 course.

### *PLAN (Patients - Listening to, Advising and Negotiating with them)*

Includes PLAB 2 style communication stations, practising with UK medical students.

## Nurses' group

Update nursing knowledge and skills and meet other nurses in a similar position.

## Getting into Work

### *Job Club*

Assistance with C.V. preparation, job applications and interview skills.

### *Preparing for Work in the NHS*

For all health professionals, this course aims to give an insight into the context of health care delivery in the NHS and differences between the UK and other countries.

### *Work Placements*

Opportunities to gain skills, confidence and UK references from observerships and supported employment.

## Timetables

Members of Reache are provided with full timetables of appropriate events.

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