

Information Brief for Students

The Professor Sir Mansel Aylward 'Bevan Future Thinkers' in Health and Care Award

'I am delighted and honoured to lend my name to this important award. I am passionate about the need to innovate and think differently about health and care so that we can ensure that the legacy left to us by Aneurin Bevan is fit for our future generation', Professor Sir Mansel Aylward.

What is it?

The Bevan Future Thinkers Award provides an opportunity for students undertaking health and care related studies across Wales to provide fresh insight and vision to inform the Bevan Commission's thinking in securing sustainable health and care that is fit for the future. Winners will receive a prize and other benefits that are outlined in this document.

The Challenge:

We are asking students to set out ***'What should health and care services in Wales look like in 2050 and what will need to happen to achieve this?'***

To help stimulate your thinking and as a guide, you may wish to consider the following:

- How might services be more ***sustainable, accessible and relevant*** to the population?
- How might we make the best use of all the ***skills and resources available*** to deliver more prudent health and care?
- How will we ensure economic and ***environmental sustainability and impact?***
- How will the population ***trends and wider social factors influence demand on health and care services?***
- What are the ***major challenges*** and ***opportunities*** we might face and how can these be overcome and exploited?
- ***What lessons can be learnt*** from the past and present nationally and internationally which may be relevant to Wales?
- ***What responsibilities should patients, professionals, the government and health boards take*** to enable a more healthy and sustainable NHS which is fit for the future?

- **What role/ type of technology might be used** in health to improve provision of services, access to services and patient experience?

Bevan Commission Objectives:

- Engage the creative ideas and insights of our young and aspiring future leaders of health and care in Wales.
- Capture your enthusiasm and perceptions of what the health and care landscape across Wales might look like in 2050. This includes trends, challenges, influencing factors and innovative opportunities.
- Inform and shape the Bevan Commission's future thinking in determining sustainable prudent health and care services fit for the future for people in Wales.
- Support the development of a diverse and multi-disciplinary community of young scholars, practitioners and future leaders across health and care in Wales.

To find out more about the Bevan Commission visit- [Home - Bevan Commission](#)

Why apply?

You will be provided with the following opportunities:

- Contribute to the thinking of a community of internationally renowned thought leaders who make up the Bevan Commission.
- An influence in supporting the transformation and development of future health and care services in Wales.
- Represent the voice of younger people in Wales, who will be the next generation of service users and leaders of health and care systems across our nation.
- Support your development both personally and professionally, and to network with some of the leading figures and minds in this area.
- Winning entries will be published by the Bevan Commission and be promoted more widely.
- Join the *Bevan Future Thinkers in Health and Care Community* which will bring the brightest young minds from across Wales together into an active community of practice.
- Winners of the Bevan Future Thinkers will also receive a prize.

Award Details:

- Competition opens on Friday 13 January 2023 and will close on Friday 24 March 2023.
- Submissions will be invited from students in higher education studying health and care related courses.
- Submissions should be short written accounts (up to 2,500 words). Students are welcome to include supporting content such as images, poems, blogs, videos, audio clips etc.
- Submissions should consider the guidance points referenced on page 1 under 'The Challenge' section.

Rewards:

- Prize.
- Opportunity to join a new community of likeminded thought leaders across health and care in Wales.
- Showcase ideas to the Bevan Commission and as part of wider communication events.

Assessment:

- All applications will be scored by a panel of Bevan Commission members and other leading figures from across Wales, based upon set criteria.
- Leading submissions will be shortlisted, to present their ideas to a panel of Bevan Commissioners where they will be required to further expand their idea and thinking.
- Winners will have an opportunity to present/ showcase their projects more broadly across Wales and beyond.

Support:

- There will be two online information briefing sessions offered to students who are encouraged to attend six weeks prior to the competition closing date.

Resources:

[Prudent healthcare principles - Bevan Commission](#)

[The Future Generations Commissioner for Wales – Acting today for a better tomorrow](#)

[The Inverse Care Law in 2021 - Institute of Welsh Affairs \(iwa.wales\)](#)

[70 years of the NHS: How Aneurin Bevan created our beloved health service | The Independent | The Independent](#)

[Welsh NHS needs to 'radically' change to recover from the pandemic, says NHS Wales boss | ITV News Wales](#)

For more information and to submit your application for the Bevan Future Thinkers Awards please use this link:

<https://www.bevancommission.org/the-professor-sir-mansel-aylward-bevan-future-thinkers-in-health-and-care-award/>

If you have any questions regarding the Bevan Future Thinkers Award and application process, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the Bevan Commission Bevan-Future-Thinkers@swansea.ac.uk