

# Health Education London and Kent Surrey Sussex

## The SCAN Model of Career Planning

### Script for animation

- Scene 1: Managing and planning a career in healthcare can benefit from a structured process.  
**Split screen: a range of healthcare professionals practicing their skills (no white coats)**
- Scene 2: You may have questions to resolve:
- How do I choose the right specialty or career pathway?
  - What does my ideal career look like?
  - How should I approach my consultant interview?
  - Is a portfolio career in healthcare realistic for me?
- Line up of training staff with questions above their heads (blue sky background).**
- Scene 3: Making important decisions about your career can be challenging.  
**Character pushing a bike at a crossroads, with various pathways lying ahead (green countryside, bike has no basket or stabilisers).**
- Scene 4: Our SCAN model of career planning can help.  
**A map-style document with SCAN circular route map (not a treasure map as before).**
- Scene 5: It's a four stage cycle we recommend every time you reach a career crossroads. What's the first stop on your career planning journey?  
**Character cycles through countryside.**
- Scene 6: S stands for Self-Awareness. This is about gaining a better understanding of *you*.  
**Character cycles up to Letter S.**
- Scene 7: Self Awareness helps you understand what type of *Character* you are?
- what are your interests?
  - what are your strengths?
  - what are your values?

- what type of work suits your Character?
- what work stimulates both your head and your heart?

Character walks into scanner (title on scanner reads: 'Self Awareness Scanner') and is zapped.

- Scene 8: And this knowledge helps you reflect on what's important in the clinical career you want to develop:
- what specialised areas or health settings have you enjoyed working in, such as leading a team, working directly with patients, or something research based?
  - what stresses do you wish to minimise?
  - what work-life balance is acceptable to you?

**The text for Scene 8 above is voiced but does not appear on screen...instead:**

Character holding scan with thought bubbles 'Hospital vs GP', 'being with patients vs pile of paperwork', 'work life vs family life'.

- Scene 9: Now it's time to get back on the SCAN cycle. So you've developed 'self-awareness' - what comes next?  
Letter S is placed in bike pannier and cyclist moves onto the next stage.

- Scene 10: C stands for Career Exploration. This helps you to get a realistic look at your career options.  
The character cycles to Letter C, gets off bike, and looks through a telescope.

- Scene 11: C will help you to understand the level of:
- competition for roles locally and nationally
  - skills and Character qualities needed
  - research and background knowledge needed
- It will also encourage you to explore the network of people that you know who can help you achieve this.
- The text for Scene 11 above is voiced but does not appear on screen...instead:**
- View through telescope sees various scenes:
- doctors climbing a mountain (competition)
  - document marked e-portfolio with ticks (skills)
  - doctor studying at home beside a pile of paperwork (research)

- two doctors at either end of a picnic blanket (networking)  
Letter C moves into bike pannier.

Scene 12: So you are now more self-aware and better informed about your career options, but how do you make the best decision for *you*?  
Text only scene

Scene 13: A is for Arriving at a **decision**. It's time to review the knowledge gained from S and C, and which options best balance 'self' and 'career' needs, both now and in the future.  
Character moves onto Letter A, and a weigh station, which she cycles onto, and rocks back and forth.

Scene 14: Career Planning is not always linear especially in periods of uncertainty. It is worth reflecting on the positive outcomes and opportunities chance may offer - such as new skills, confidence and connections, and how they link with your values before continuing your journey.  
**The text for Scene 14 above is voiced but does not appear on screen...instead:**  
Character continues to move back and forth on weighing station. Thought bubbles pop up: 'Portfolio career?', 'Working abroad?', 'PhD?'  
Character then cycles away.

Scene 15: This process will help you to weigh up Character wants and needs and consider your opportunities to develop.  
Letter A moves into the bike pannier.

Scene 16: Congratulations! You've made an informed **decision**. Now it's time to put a **plan** into action.  
Character jumps onto a racer bike and heads off quickly.

Scene 17: N is for Next Steps. This is about how you move from your decision to achieving your goal.  
Character moves to Letter N.

Scene 18: This involves breaking your career goal down into

smaller milestones, such as:

- preparing a portfolio
- taking exams
- gaining experience
- preparing for interviews

Character cycles along straight road ahead passing road signs with the above text. Letter N moves into the bike pannier.

Scene 19: Our SCAN career planning cycle will help you to:

- make the right decisions for you
- realise your potential, and
- be the best healthcare professional you can be

Character parks bike in a bike rack, picks up her panniers, and walks into a hospital entrance (not a finish line as before)

Scene 20: Zoom out to show the SCAN letters flowchart.

End slide: To find out more our SCAN career planning cycle and other useful resources, visit our website.

End credit screen, show:

<https://london.hee.nhs.uk/careers-unit>