## Get Government-subsidised resource for **KICKSTART** your business with the Kickstart scheme SCHEME



hemicals Northwest has launched a package of support in partnership with the Growth Company to help businesses make the most of the Government's Kickstart scheme.

Now more than ever, young people need opportunities to help them shape their future. You could play a key part in supporting them through this scheme.

Kickstart encourages businesses to create six-month work placements for 16-24 year-olds who are at risk of long-term unemployment. The government will pay 100% of the relevant National Minimum Wage for 25 hours a week, plus National Insurance and pension contributions. There's also £1,500 per placement available for setup costs and training.

## How we can help

Our new support package, which is powered by the Growth Company, includes:

1. Being your Gateway Organisation: We can partner with you as your Gateway organisation and apply on your behalf. Businesses of all sizes across all sectors can host Kickstart placements, however Sole Traders are currently unable to take part in the scheme. Please note, as part of your application to Kickstart, DWP will carry out several checks on your business, relating to financial history and stability and including a credit check.

- On-placement support: We can provide a comprehensive development package for those on placement, taking away your need to organise or deliver this.
- 3. Employment services: We can provide a range of HR and 'back office' support to help onboard your new-starters - so you can simply 'host' the placement and leave the rest to us.

## What are the benefits for me?

- Access to fresh talent at zero cost
- Funding to cover training of each Kickstarter
- Potential to secure the future workforce of your business
- Enhanced corporate social responsibility



