## Care and Assessment of the Acutely Ill Child

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### Who should attend this course?
This course is designed for qualified healthcare professionals working in a range of clinical settings that deal with children and young people. During this course practitioners will have the opportunity to develop their skills in recognising and managing the acutely ill child. The module may be taken as a standalone module or as part of a post graduate award. e.g. Post Graduate Diploma or Master's Degree.

### Course Aims
In response to the dynamic challenges in practice, the following module has been developed to provide practitioners with the knowledge and skills to undertake effective assessment of the acutely ill child and devise appropriate care packages and management plans. The module aims to develop professional competence in managing the care of the acutely ill children and young people through simulation, practical skills workshops, lectures and group discussion.

### Module Content
- Revision of basic anatomy and physiology.
- Skills workshops in head to toe assessment
- Care planning
- Assessment of acute care issues – respiratory conditions, Neurological conditions, pain, shock, acid/base balance.
- ECG and arterial blood gas workshops.
- Simulated scenarios considering the assessment and management of acute conditions.

### How does this module map the NHS KSF?
This module contributes to the development of knowledge and understanding for Core Dimensions 1, 2and 5, HWB dimensions 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9 and IK3.

### Assessment
Assessment will include the submission of a clinical assessment portfolio alongside a written piece considering a case study identified from practice.

### Where is the module taught and by whom?
The module is facilitated by Ceri Baker alongside other members of the Child Nursing Team. Lessons will be delivered at Meridian House part of the College Lane Campus as well as online material to complement the delivered sessions.

### Computer Equipment Requirement
Delivery of the module will incorporate blended learning which aims to combine e-learning activities with campus based learning. You will therefore need to have access to a suitable personal computer and a good reliable Internet connection (broadband recommended). Most modern PCs or Macs (less than 3 years old) should be suitable. If you have any queries or need any additional support with IT skills, the School employs an e-learning technologist who will be pleased to help and advise you.

### When does this module run?
This module will run from Tuesday 29th January 2013 through Semester B until the middle of May.

### Sponsorship
A number of Strategic Health Authorities are entering into teaching contracts with Universities for the provision of postgraduate programmes, short courses and study days. In order to access this source of funding, you should contact the senior manager within your Trust who is responsible for the post-registration/CPD allocation.

### Cost
To find out information about the fees visit go.herts.ac.uk/cpdfees

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