Department of Adult Nursing and Primary Care

V150 - Non-medical prescribing for nurses

Module Code 6NMH1133  15 Credits at level 6

This is a 13 day course that involves a blended learning approach including University-based study and directed, online study. Study days are as follows:

26.01.18, 27.01.18, 02.02.18, 03.02.18, 09.02.18, 02.03.18, 09.03.18, 16.03.18, 23.03.18, 27.04.18, 04.05.18, 11.05.18, 29.06.18  This course will also involve a period of 10 days (65 hours) learning in the practice environment supervised by the prescribing mentor

The course is suitable for all first level nurses registered with the NMC and practicing in an area of clinical need in which prescribing from Nurse Prescribers’ Formulary for Community Practitioners will improve patient care.

To undertake the programme you must have practiced for a sufficient period to be deemed competent by your employer in the area you intend to practice. This would normally be a minimum of two years.

You also need a qualified mentor who is also a nurse prescriber, willing to support and assess you in supervised practice. Current Disclosure and Barring Service clearance by your employer is also necessary.

Course aims

The course provides opportunities to develop and demonstrate knowledge, understanding and skills in prescribing practice through independent reasoned thought, systematic enquiry, reflection and evaluation.

Content

The course covers the following topics:

- Systematic approaches to assessment and diagnosis
- Pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics
- Factors that influence prescribing practice and patients' use of medication
- Evidence based sources of information
- Legal, professional and ethical issues associated with the role

Assessment

The assessment for this course includes:

- Practice Portfolio – demonstrating achievement of required practice learning hours and professional competencies
- Numeracy assessment
- Examination
- Prescribing analysis

Who teaches this course?

The course is taught at the College Lane Campus and Meridian House in Hatfield. It is facilitated by lecturers with expertise in non-medical prescribing from the University.

Cost

The fee for new self-funding students is £1155.00.00. Please note that the fee may vary depending on your source of funding and whether you are a continuing student. To find out information about the fees visit go.herts.ac.uk/cpdfees

The course forms part of a broader CPD framework which can lead to the award of PgC, PgD or MSc.

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