



Supportive Palliative Care for Patients with Advancing Heart Failure

CPD Programme: Department of Nursing & community Health, School of Health and Life Sciences

This formal face to face module is specifically designed to support health and social care practitioners to develop their knowledge, skills and confidence in caring for patients and families who are living with the impact of advancing heart failure. Contemporary issues, skilled communication and anticipatory care planning will be appraised and considered in relation to the optimal care management of patients and their families living with and dying from advancing heart failure.

The module aim is to facilitate the development of knowledge, skills and confidence to support practitioners to feel competent in care managing patients who are living with the impact of an uncertain heart failure disease trajectory.

On completion of this module participants should be able to demonstrate competency and best practice associated with earlier patient identification, skilled communication, anticipatory care planning and optimal care management of patients and families living with an uncertain heart failure

trajectory. This module is offered by Glasgow Caledonian University and will be delivered in January 2018 subject to a minimum student number. A range of formal face-to-face learning activities will provide a flexible and engaging approach to continuing professional development. An award of 15 credits at SCQF level 11 (Masters), equivalent to FHEQ level 7, will be achieved on successful completion.

Attendance: This 15 week module offers a blend of formal face-to-face learning activities over 5 consecutive days. Compulsory attendance during the 5 consecutive study days and full engagement with the online learning resources is required throughout the module.

Course Fee: £500

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Course content overview includes study of chronic heart failure pathophysiology; holistic assessment; pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches, advanced therapies, skilled

communication, anticipatory care planning and supportive palliative care strategies. The assessment includes a 3000 word case study which explores an aspect of supportive palliative care in heart failure care and a 1000 word clinical scenario related to skilled communication in advancing heart failure.

Who should attend? Health and social care professionals who are involved with the care or are responsible for the care of patients and families living with the impact of an uncertain and advancing heart failure trajectory.

Applicants should be:

- Currently working in a professional health or social care role which involves caring for patients with advancing heart failure.
- Have regular access to the internet



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