

# Management of the Patient with Asthma (HEA 2086) Seamless Care across Primary & Secondary Care Settings



- Venue - Monks of Bulphan Ltd, Ye Olde Plough House, Brentwood Road, Bulphan, Essex, RM14 3SR
- 30 week module - 30 credits at Diploma level

This module examines the problem asthma presents to many people in the UK today. Focusing on the morbidity of this condition, and the level of poor control many patients experience, will help raise students' awareness of what can be done to improve the lives of most asthma sufferers. There is a distinct emphasis on practical aspects of asthma management, with correct use of inhaler devices, and provision of asthma action plans.

It is now proposed by the Department of Health, that the National Strategy, due for implementation in March 2010 will include Asthma care.

#### Aims of module

- Analyse factors contributing to the morbidity of asthma in the UK
- Compare/contrast normal airways and asthmatic airways
- Evaluate how asthma treatment is arranged related to current expert guidelines
- Analyse the issues of intentional and non-intentional non-adherence in asthma management
- Identify the major advantages/disadvantages of the main types of inhaler devices and demonstrate appropriate selection of a device for a specific patient
- Discuss evidence pertaining to asthma action plans and consider this evidence within the context of the selected patient
- Analyse issues related to admission avoidance and community triage/treatment

### Course Content (will include)

- Asthma morbidity in the UK - prevalence and incidence; impact of asthma on patients' lives, including mortality data and patient's perceptions of asthma
- Aetiology of asthma
- Anatomy and physiology of the respiratory tract
- Pathophysiology of asthma
- Diagnosis of asthma
- Pharmacological management of asthma under current UK guidelines
- Drug delivery in respiratory care, including use of inhaler devices
- Non adherence in asthma and strategies to minimise this
- Asthma actions plans - indications, uses and structure
- Asthma exacerbations
- Assessment and triage in the community
- Non-pharmacological management
- Issues in paediatric asthma

### Study Days

Day 1 - 23rd March 2010

Day 2 - 25th May 2010

Day 3 - 13th July 2010

Day 4 - 24th August 2010

**Module cost - £525 plus £50 admin fee**

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### Assessment

5,000 word patient centred assignment.

This module can be studied as an independent unit of study or as a module towards either the **Diploma in Respiratory Practice** or the **University Higher Certificate in Respiratory Assessment and Management** awards.

To access this module, you would be expected to have had at least one year post registration experience and should be working with or involved in the care of patients with asthma.

**Successful completion results in 30 academic credits at diploma level**

### Student Support

Comprehensive course materials are provided to students. Tutorial time supports students, with specialist staff always available by either phone, e-mail or on-line.

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