

Postgraduate Diploma in Cancer Care for Allied Health Professionals

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This programme is designed to meet the unique educational needs of Allied Health Professionals working in cancer care.

It would be particularly suitable for lead advanced practitioner Allied Health Professionals in Cancer Networks.



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Duration:	18 months - 2 years part-time
Pattern of Delivery:	6 study days for each module (12 for double module)
No. of Modules	5 (including one double module)
Cost:	£575 per module (£850 for the double module)
Location:	The Royal Marsden School of Cancer Nursing and Rehabilitation, London
Start Date:	January

Aim of the Programme

The programme will support organisations in meeting the requirements of the NICE, 'Improving Supportive and Palliative Care for Adults with Cancer' guidance. Key leaders in the organisation will benefit from a course which is particularly targeted at meeting both organisational and development needs.

Who will benefit from this programme?

This programme will give Dietitians, Occupational Therapists, Speech and Language Therapists and Physiotherapists the opportunity to explore clinical, leadership and research issues in cancer care relevant to today's Allied Health Professional.

Benefits for Participants and Organisations

On successful completion of this programme, participants will:

- Be equipped to take a leading role in cancer care;
- Recognise service requirements necessary in order to play a central role in the promotion of health and well-being of the cancer patient, through a better understanding of the experience of cancer and its management from the perspectives of the patient/their family;
- Understand the ethical impact of the development of new therapies as well as the patient's experiences of such treatments;
- Understand the nature and impact of advanced disease on the cancer patient, their friends and families, the Allied Health Professional's role in the maintenance of quality of life for patients at this stage of their cancer journey;
- Demonstrate a comprehensive knowledge of the range of research approaches relevant to theory and practice developments within own area of professional practice.



Programme Outline



Module	Credits
The Science of Cancer	20
Supporting the Cancer Patient	20
Caring for the Cancer Patient with Advanced Disease	20
Using Research Tools and Methods to Advance Cancer Practice	40
Leading Cancer Care	20

All modules are compulsory. Upon successful completion of the programme you will be awarded 120 credits at Level 7 and will have the opportunity to undertake a dissertation in order to progress to the award of an MSc in Advancing Practice in Health and Social Science.

Entry Requirements

Applicants will be expected to have:

- A first level degree and current registration with the appropriate professional body;
- Academic qualification in English or a score of 6.5 in International English Language Test;
- Two years post qualification experience;
- One year's experience of caring for cancer patients;

Any AHP undertaking the programme must also be involved in the care of patients at varying stages along their cancer journey.



Further Information

Please contact Jacquie Woodcock (Programme Leader) at jacquie.woodcock@rmh.nhs.uk or on Tel: 0207 8082118.

Funding Sources

The School has some information on potential funding sources. Please contact School Administration at the address below if you would like this information to be sent to you.

To Apply

Please contact the School Administration Team at The School of Cancer Nursing and Rehabilitation, The Royal Marsden Hospital, Fulham Road, London, SW3 6JJ, Tel: 0207 8082900, Email: school@rmh.nhs.uk. Alternatively, complete and return the information request form below.

This course is just one of a wide range of learning opportunities on offer at the School of Cancer Nursing and Rehabilitation. To find out what else is running please visit our website or contact the School.

Please send me details on the Postgraduate Diploma in Cancer Care for Allied Health Professionals:

Title		Forename		Surname	
Job Title		Tel		Email	
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We would like to keep you informed of other educational programmes and study day events within the Trust. Please tick if you do not agree to your personal details being used for these purposes:

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