



### PG Certificate in Care of the Critically Ill Childbearing Woman

#### FULLY FUNDED FOR NHS EMPLOYEES

Funded places for NHS  
Employees in Yorkshire and  
the Humber SHA

Limited funded places are available for some NHS staff in the Yorkshire and Humber SHA region. Please discuss any proposed study with your line manager as they maintain an interest in your educational and professional development.

Early application is encouraged to secure a place.

#### Who is this for?

This programme will be of interest if you are a healthcare professional at the forefront of delivering high dependency care to childbearing women. For example, if you are a midwife, nurse or junior doctor; particularly if you have limited experience of working in adult high dependency care, or limited experience of working in an acute complex maternity services environment.

#### About the programme

This programme is offered on a part-time basis and includes three modules:

##### 1) High Risk Maternity Care (15 credits)

This module aims to develop your knowledge and skills in caring for high risk childbearing women. The module offers blended learning and simulated practice in relation to a range of clinical conditions to enable you to apply pathophysiology in a clinical context such as:- pre-eclampsia, cardiac disease, obesity, hepatic disorders and renal disorders. You will be required to attend the university on two occasions (one of which will be in a clinical skills training environment); and access on-line materials via the School's Visual Learning Environment (VLE).

This module is also available as a free standing module and can be accessed via two routes:

- a) with the intention to access taught elements and to undertake the assessment
- or b) with the intention to access taught elements only (fees apply for option b).

##### 2) Professional Work Based Learning (15 credits)

This embraces a student directed learning approach supported with one-to-one tutorials and on-line support. The module will provide you the opportunity to apply your learning to a workbased issue or problem and allow you to design, negotiate and manage your own study relevant high dependency care for childbearing women. You will need to attend the university for at least 5 hours (guided by your learning needs) for tutorial support. Learning will be supported by the VLE.

##### 3) Aspects of Critical Maternity Care (30 credits).

This module aims to equip you with knowledge and skills to appropriately plan care for the critically ill childbearing woman. You will develop skills in working within an inter-professional culture and develop care pathways that are appropriate and personalized to meet the needs of the individual woman. The module requires you attend the university for taught sessions on 9 separate study days. You will also be supported in accessing observational fieldwork in a high dependency / intensive care environment.

#### Objectives of the Programme

The programme will enable you to demonstrate a critical and in-depth specialist knowledge of relevant technologies and a detailed understanding of underlying pathophysiology which underpins a woman's

physical condition. It will also enable you to develop care-pathways to care for women with complex medical conditions, in relation to labour and birth, and take a proactive and critical self-reflective role in working and developing professional relationships with other members of the multidisciplinary team compulsory modules (value 50 credits) and an option module (value 10 credits) to ensure that you achieve the 60 credits required at Level 3, within a prescribed route for successful completion.

## How will I be assessed?

Each module has a summative assessment that contributes towards your final degree classification. Additionally, there is the requirement to complete some course work, the nature of which varies from module to module.

## When and where do I study?

This modular programme adopts a blended approach as some modules will be delivered, primarily, at the University of Leeds whilst others will engage more directly with the institution's Virtual learning Environment (VLE) Blackboard®. The VLE can be accessed off and on campus. There is an opportunity to access fieldwork in module 3.

## What Assessment do I have to do?

The programme's assessment strategy includes: a range of written assignments, a portfolio of evidence and a short viva voce. Preparation for each assignment will be given in the appropriate module.

## Entry Requirements:

You will need to be currently registered

with a relevant regulatory body related to health (e.g. NMC, GMC); and normally possess a health related degree at 2.1 or above from a recognised higher education institution; and be currently practising in an appropriate clinical environment; and provide a satisfactory application and be willing to be interviewed.

In accordance with established School of Healthcare procedures if you are seeking non-standard entry or the accreditation of prior certificated learning these will be considered by the Individualised Programmes Panel.

## Fees

For Non-NHS staff, the fee for this programme is £3,333.

## Submission of Applications

Your application needs to be received by the 29<sup>th</sup> June of each year to be considered.

Please see separate information if you wish to access the High Risk Maternity Care module as a Freestanding student.

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