

POST-GRADUATE

School of Healthcare

FACULTY OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH



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Postgraduate Certificate In Complex Care Pathways in Midwifery

Complex Care Pathways:
Pregnancy, Birth & Puerperium
HECS 5154M
Core module

Fully funded places for NHS Employees

This programme is fully funded for NHS employees working in the area covered by Yorkshire and the Humber Strategic Health Authority, however places are limited and we advise booking well in advance. Please discuss any proposed study with your line manager as soon as possible, as they maintain an interest in your educational and professional development. Deadline 29 June.

Who is the certificate for?

This programme is a part-time professionally focused programme of study for suitably qualified midwives.

It is normally completed in one year and comprises of :
one compulsory 30 credit module (see below for details);
and an additional 30 credits (either one 30 credit module or two 15 credit modules) chosen from a range of options offered by the School, with agreement with the programme manager.

The range of postgraduate options can be found via <http://healthcare.leeds.ac.uk/>

Who is this module aimed at?

This module is compulsory for this programme of study and can also be undertaken as a **freestanding** module.

The modules aims to contribute towards the National Service Framework for Children, Young People and Maternity Services (DH 2004) and Maternity Matters (DH 2007) specifically to develop midwives education, practice and leadership skills in providing services for women with more complex pregnancies; such women require inter-professional and inter-agency working.

Complex needs in focus will be common,

multifaceted and interrelating i.e. multiple social needs and / or those with underpinning medical conditions.

How long does the module last?

The module will be available on a part time basis between normally between 10am and 4pm on five study days during June and July of each year.

How do I know if I am eligible for the course?

You need to be **registered** on the Midwifery part of the professional register maintained by the NMC and normally possess an honours degree in midwifery or a relevant health discipline (normally a 2:1 classification from a recognised Higher Education institution).

Alternatively, you will be expected to provide evidence that you are capable of working at Masters Level by producing a portfolio of evidence or evidence of having studied and achieved credits on a recognised module of study.

Consideration will also be given to midwives who do not have the necessary entry requirements; please contact Janet Hirst, the programme manager for more information, preferably via email, at j.hirst@leeds.ac.uk .

What assessment do I have to do?

A 6000 word essay incorporating reflective analysis of the interagency / interprofessional meetings and the development of a complex care pathway; this can be hypothetical in context. The assessment will enable you to produce in-depth work demonstrating high level reflective, critical and analytical knowledge and skills which will be context specific. The assessment will support and enable you to engage with agencies and professionals in a creative forum and develop thinking about complex care pathways.

The objectives of the module are to:

- Critically discuss and debate complex social, medical or obstetric needs from pregnancy to the puerperium.
- Demonstrate skills in planning and operationalising care pathways for complex needs.
- Scrutinise and debate national and regional policy and practice in selected generic care pathways and managed care networks.
- Exhibit in-depth knowledge and synthesise contemporary literature relating to specific complex needs.
- Recognise and examine personal values and beliefs relating to a range of complex pregnancy situations and plan appropriate self development
- Confidently and competently demonstrate effective communication skills during interagency / interprofessional care planning.
- Demonstrate critical reflection skills on practice through reflective appraisal of a developed complex care pathway.

Some of the following topics will be covered to meet the above stated objectives:

- Multiple social needs of women experiencing homelessness (travellers, refugees, asylum seekers); stigmatising conditions (HIV, misusing drugs or alcohol, domestic violence, custodial

settings)

- Learning disability and disability. Complex medical needs such as diabetes, female circumcision; haemoglobinopathies; obesity women BMI>35; thromboembolic and inherited thrombophilias; assisted conception; mental health.

Fees

The fees for this certificate for non -NHS staff are £3,333.

Further enquiries

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How to apply

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