Module Specification

the Management of Head and Neck Cancer

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Part 1: Information

Module title: the Management of Head and Neck Cancer

Module code: UZWSGV-20-M

Level: Level 7

For implementation from: 2023-24

UWE credit rating: 20

ECTS credit rating: 10

Faculty: Faculty of Health & Applied Sciences

Department: HAS School of Health and Social Wellbeing

Partner institutions: None

Field: Acute and Critical Care Adult Nursing

Module type: Module

Pre-requisites: None

Excluded combinations: None

Co-requisites: None

Continuing professional development: Yes

Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements: None

Part 2: Description

Overview: This MSc level specialist interdisciplinary module aims to increase and develop expert knowledge and understanding of the management of head and neck cancer. It seeks to prepare you to respond to this complex, diverse and evolving area of health care. The module is delivered by a wide range of clinical experts in the field.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: See learning outcomes.

Outline syllabus: Head and neck cancer and its management:

Diseases and the pathology of the head and neck

Epidemiology of head and neck cancers

Aetiology of head and neck cancers

Cell biology, cancer staging, metastatic spread

Surgical management of head and neck cancers

Radiotherapy and head and neck cancers

Oncological management of head and neck cancers

Ethical issues in head and neck cancers

Supportive Care and Symptom Management:

Psychological and emotional effects of diagnosis and treatment of head and neck cancers

Symptom management in relation to head and neck cancer

Rehabilitation:

Rehabilitative care in head and neck cancer management

Swallow and voice restoration

Understanding the patient and family experience

Life beyond treatment

Professional self-care:

Managing one's own coping as a professional

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: A variety of methods will be used which may include:

Lectures

An interactive online workbook

Directed and self-directed learning activities

Experiential and practical workshops

Shared forum for debate and discussion

Reflection on practice

Module Learning outcomes: On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes.

MO1 Demonstrate an in-depth understanding of head and neck cancer biology, physiology and current management

MO2 Explore and develop an in–depth understanding of the different modalities of current treatments in head and neck treatment, including symptom management

MO3 Critically examine the psychological and emotional effects of head and neck cancer

MO4 Investigate the issues surrounding rehabilitation, survivorship and palliative care in head and neck cancer

MO5 Critically evaluate and appraise the current service provision in head and neck cancer patients

Hours to be allocated: 200

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 164 hours

Face-to-face learning = 36 hours

Total = 200

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at readinglists.uwe.ac.uk via the following link https://uwe.rl.talis.com/modules/uzwsgv-20-m.html

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: A 3000 word project related to the students area of specialist practice in head and neck cancer. During the module students will have opportunity to discuss their projects with academic staff supporting the module.

Assessment tasks:

Project (First Sit)
Description: 3000 word project
Weighting: 100 %
Final assessment: Yes
Group work: No
Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

Project (Resit)
Description: 3000 word project
Weighting: 100 %
Final assessment: Yes
Group work: No
Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study: