



Module Specification

Return to Practice (Nursing Associate)

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Part 1: Information

Module title: Return to Practice (Nursing Associate)

Module code: UZTYCW-20-2

Level: Level 5

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: Continuing 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: The purpose of this module is to enable nursing associates whose NMC registration has lapsed to return to the NMC register as a nursing associate. This module is designed to facilitate development of both theoretical and practice-based learning to meet the NMC return to practice standards that will enable application to re-register with the NMC.

The module will equip students to practice safely and effectively as a nursing

associate without the need for direct supervision, in accordance with the Standards of Proficiency for Nursing Associates (NMC, 2018). It is anticipated that students will effectively apply the evidence-base which underpins their practice within contemporary health care provision and engage in self-reflection and action planning with respect to the changes in clinical practice.

Features: Not applicable

Educational aims: On successful completion of this module students will be able to:

Demonstrate achievement of the NMC proficiencies relevant to registered nursing associate through the completion of identified skills and proficiencies in the Practice Assessment Document (PAD) (Component A)

Demonstrate an understanding of how health literacy and health promotion enables the advancement of public health, health protection and wellness (Component A)

Engage in and evaluate holistic person-centred care whilst demonstrating accountability, autonomy and professionalism (Component A and B)

Demonstrate effective communication, role modelling and advocacy when working in partnership with people who use services and their families (Component A and B)

Demonstrate positive leadership in the application of quality assurance and continuous improvement (Component A)

Demonstrate an understanding of the roles, responsibilities and scope of practice of all members of the team inclusive of inter-agency working in enabling safe and effective care (Component A)

Define professional accountability, advocacy and ethical conduct in decision making (Component A and B).

Outline syllabus: There are typically five face to face study days delivered for this module, which run alongside self-directed study activities These normally cover:

Study Skills

Evidence Based Practice

Legal and Professional Issues

Ethics

Leadership

Accountability

Aspects of contemporary Nursing Practice

Reflection

The theoretical aspect of the module runs alongside the practice placement experience. This module requires a completion of a minimum of 450 hours in practice, in line with the NMC Return to Practice standards (NMC, 2019).

Part 3: Teaching and learning methods

Teaching and learning methods: The module will equip students to practice safely and effectively as a nursing associate without the need for direct supervision, in accordance with the Standards of Proficiency for Nursing Associates (NMC, 2018). It is anticipated that students will effectively apply the evidence-base which underpins their practice within contemporary health care provision and engage in self-reflection and action planning with respect to the changes in clinical practice.

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

MO1 Demonstrate achievement of the NMC proficiencies relevant to registered nursing associate through the completion of identified skills and proficiencies in the Practice Assessment Document (PAD) (Component A).

MO2 Demonstrate an understanding of how health literacy and health promotion enables the advancement of public health, health protection and wellness (Component A).

MO3 Engage in and evaluate holistic person-centred care whilst demonstrating accountability, autonomy and professionalism (Component A and B).

MO4 Demonstrate effective communication, role modelling and advocacy when working in partnership with people who use services and their families (Component A and B).

MO5 Demonstrate positive leadership in the application of quality assurance and continuous improvement (Component A).

MO6 Demonstrate an understanding of the roles, responsibilities and scope of practice of all members of the team inclusive of inter-agency working in enabling safe and effective care (Component A).

MO7 Define professional accountability, advocacy and ethical conduct in decision making (Component A and B).

Hours to be allocated: 200

Contact hours:

Independent study/self-guided study = 60 hours

Placement = 450 hours

Face-to-face learning = 28 hours

Total = 538

Reading list: The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://rl.talis.com/3/uwe/lists/03B92548-E4C2-1D85-FA38-3BB30A6DF40C.html) via the following link <https://rl.talis.com/3/uwe/lists/03B92548-E4C2-1D85-FA38-3BB30A6DF40C.html>

Part 4: Assessment

Assessment strategy: Assessment task A:

1. Practice Assessment Document (PAD) The PAD is assessed in practice; this enables students to demonstrate the achievement of a range of proficiencies which align with the NMC's Standards of proficiency for nursing associates (NMC, 2018).

Evidence of a minimum of 450 practice hours is required.

Each student will have a formative assessment of their progress at the midpoint of their return to practice placement.

2. Numeracy and calculations of medicines assessment Students must pass this assessment at 100%. Students will have the opportunity to engage in formative numeracy and calculations of medicines assessment.

Assessment part B: Objective Structured Clinical Examination (Maximum duration 1 hour)

This assessment part requires students to demonstrate competency within clinical scenarios. This will include the summative assessment of concurrently demonstrated inter-personal skills, patient assessment, infection control, medication administration and documentation skills.

Formative assessment opportunities will be available through group discussions, simulated activities, and peer learning.

Assessment tasks:**Practical Skills Assessment (First Sit)**

Description: Objective Structured Clinical Examination

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

In-class test (First Sit)

Description: Numeracy and calculations of medicines assessment

Weighting:

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

Practical Skills Assessment (First Sit)

Description: Practice Assessment Document

Weighting:

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

Practical Skills Assessment (Resit)

Description: Objective Structured Clinical Examination

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

In-class test (Resit)

Description: Numeracy and calculations of medicines assessment

Weighting:

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

Practical Skills Assessment (Resit)

Description: Practice Assessment Document

Weighting:

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested:

Part 5: Contributes towards

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study: