Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences
School of Health Sciences

Palliative Care Interventions
Module Code NURM130

Credits / Level of Study 15 credits / Level 7

Module Aims
The aim of this module is to explore the multidimensional nature of palliative care in advanced illness, to appraise the evidence base in relation to palliative care and intervention. Furthermore, to develop level 2 IOG skills in psychological support interventions and to facilitate screening of patients and careers.

Learning Outcomes
- Critically discuss issues in providing palliative care for people with both malignant and non malignant terminal illnesses.
- Critically appraise and synthesise the outcomes of research and ethics related to clinical issues in advanced illness.
- Evaluate psychological support screening tools and assessment frameworks, and comment on reliability and validity.
- Critically reflect on the influence of transitions in chronic illness to palliation and end of life care.
- Evaluate the evidence for managing complex symptoms in palliative care.

Pre-requisites of Study
None

Delivery of Module
Lecture and discussion, student–led seminars and small group work

Assessment
Formative Assessment
A peer assessed presentation of an assessment of a palliative or a clinical issue. This should include an account of the event, ethical issues, management and clinical decision making and the appropriateness (or not) of the intervention. The particular needs and the context in which the care took place should be discussed.

Summative Assessment
Using a case study approach, critically discuss a palliative or clinical issue experienced by a patient in the context of palliative care/end-of-life care. Discuss and reflect on the interventions utilised in practice and make recommendations for practice development. Include a critical analysis of the use of palliative interventions and evaluate the outcome of the patient’s care.

Word Count: 3,000 words

Key Information

Study Dates
February 2019: 18, 19, 20, 21, 22
April 2019: 11 (This date is to be confirmed)

*Please check our website to ensure that there have been no revisions to the course dates listed

Location
University of Surrey

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