#### **Adult Safeguarding Audit**

#### October 2019

Records audited from June to September 19

Randomly selected from referrals sent to ASG team

There was a total of 69 referrals

25 referrals were audited

This involved 17 patients

This audit was carried out prior to the new documentation and processes were introduced. A follow update will take place early November 19 to audit compliance with the new documentation and processes introduced.

#### **Audit findings**

	Number	NA	Percentage
Evidence of discussion at formal meeting	4	0	19%

 Of the 21 times where there was no evidence of a discussion at a formal meeting, 16 (76%) of these incidents were recorded as having taken place, but no discussion was recorded.

2.	Did the formal meeting include 2	24	0	75%
	or more disciplines			

• Of the 1 meeting that did not include 2 or more disciplines – there were no attendees recorded for this meeting

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3.	Evidence of a review of protection plan by the MDT	13	0	52%
•	100% of the protection plan review protection plan that forms part of t	•	•	
4.	Is there a evidence that the incident was recorded in the progress notes	24		96%

Learning identified

- Complete flow chart of new processes and share with all
- Update PIPA template to include safeguarding
- Update PIPA report out template to include a section for an ASG discussion when an incident has occurred.
- Meet with the band 6/7s to draw up a process for transferring protection plans to plans of care
- When an ASP1 referral is made add time of incident to casenote
- When an ASP1 referral is made, add to casenote that the referral has been made.
- Add discipline to the PIPA report out

## **CARE PLAN AUDIT (Internal)**

Name of Patient:	
Auditor	

	Care Plan Documentation	YES	N
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1.	Are the patients details identified in the contact section relevant and up to date?		
2.	Is the patients financial capacity detailed in the care plan?		
3.	Does the care plan detail any benefits the patient receives?		
	Promoting Quality Care		
4.	Is there a Risk Screening Tool in place or if required a Comprehensive Risk Assessment?		
5.	Does the RST/ CRA evidence patient and family involvement?		-
6.	Has the RST / CRA been reviewed?		
	Patient Centred Care		
7.	Is there evidence that the patient has been involved in the assessment of the care pla		
8.	Is there evidence that the patient has been involved in the review of the care plan?		
9.	Is there weekly recorded 1:1 sessions with the named nurse/ associate nurse? (Content of 1:1 is detailed)		
	Adult Safeguarding		
10.	Is there a planned intervention for Vulnerable Adult for victim & a perpetrator?		
11.	If ASP1 has been completed, is there evidence in the care plan regarding discussions with DVAO / MDT & family?		
12.	Has the plan of care been updated to reflect any ASP1 forms.		<u>†                                      </u>
13.	Is there protection plans in place following ASP1 incidents? ( if applicable)		T
14.	Is there evidence in the assessment section indicating the patient is a vulnerable adult?		
15.	Is the patients level of observations indicated?		T
16.	Is the patients detention status identified?		T

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17.	Is there evidence of on-going communication in relation to the patients care	
	and treatment  (i.e. with M.D.T. and family (if appropriate) regarding safe quarding issues	
	(i.e. with M.D.T. and family (if appropriate) regarding safe guarding issues.	
	MDT Meetings	
18.	Is there evidence the patient has the opportunity to attend the MDT?	
19.	Is there evidence the patient has the opportunity to make requests prior to the	
19.	meetings?	
20.	Is the patient/ relative (if applicable) given feedback on outcome of MDT discussion?	
	Record Keeping	
21.	Are notes legible?	
22.	Are care plans reviewed as indicated or as change occurs?	
23.	Are reviews of assessments evidenced in the progress evaluation section?	
24.	Are all entries dated / time/ signature & grade.	
25.	Are care plans compliant with the NMC guidelines for record keeping.	
	Restrictive Practice /DOLS	
26.	Is there a restrictive practice review at the front of the care plan?	
27.	Is restrictive practice highlighted in the assessment of the care plan?	
28.	Is there a plan of care for restrictive practice?	
29.	Has the patient been involved in the restrictive practice review?	
30.	Has the MDT been involved in the restrictive practice review?	
31.	Is there evidence that the restrictive practice is reviewed at MDT meeting?	
32.	Is there evidence that the restrictive practice review been reviewed by the MDT a minimum of 6 months.	

Signed	
Date	

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ACTION PLAN	COMPLETION DATE	DATE ACTION

Named Nurse Signature :	
Ward Manager / Deputy Signature	<b>)</b> :

## **Community Integration Audit**

Trust	Patient
	No

Standard	Comments
Is there evidence of an initial meeting re.     Community integration in the ward with the patient and ward staff?	
Has the relatives perspective template been completed	
If not, is there evidence of relative involvement i.e. in the care plan or medical notes?	
Is there evidence of any issues being raised by relatives having been addressed?	
Is there evidence of any issues being raised by patient having been addressed?	
Is there evidence of a ward based community integration meeting?	
7. Has 'About Me' been started / completed?	
8. Is there evidence that the outcomes of assessments have been discussed with the patient?	
Is there evidence that the outcomes of assessments have been discussed with the family?	
10. Is there a clear discharge plan?	
11. Does the discharge plan include the date of discharge?	
12. Is there evidence the discharge plan has been shared with the patient?	
13. Is there evidence the discharge plan has been shared with the relative?	
14. Following assessment and if required does the patient have community medical services identified?	
15. Have staff visited the accommodation	
16. Has the patient visited the accommodation	
17. Has the patient visited the accommodation	

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18. Is there evidence outreach from hospital?	
19. Has the patient had an overnight stay?	
20. Is there an up to date risk assessment for the patient?	

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#### Monthly Audit of Safety Briefings - July 2018

	No of Safety Briefings	Times of briefing	No. of Disciplines Attending	Types of Issues	Actions Taken (buildings)	New Issues Identified and actions taken (patients)
Killead	31	7:50 – 8:15x22 No Time recorded X 9	3 Nursing PCSS Support Staff	5 x buildings 9 x patient 2x staff personal safety	<ul> <li>Staff Toilets Blocked</li> <li>Finger guards in Room 2</li> <li>Shower in room 17</li> <li>Walk and Talk fire drill</li> <li>Lights in office fixed</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CB conflict risk with all patients and staff</li> <li>C Smyth No drinks in room</li> <li>Detoriations on patient mental health noted</li> <li>P.G. conflict risk with everyone.</li> <li>Patient self harm</li> <li>Extra support for SW because of sisters visit</li> <li>K.P. Discourage meals in Bedroom</li> <li>MM do not lock her bedroom door if she requests it</li> <li>ES and P.G. all patients at arms length</li> </ul>
Donegore	22	7:30 x18 20:10 x 2 No time recorded x 2	1 Nursing	11x buildings 16x patients 1x staff training	<ul> <li>Broken cutlery knife disposed of.</li> <li>Glass panel in quiet room door fixed</li> <li>TV Cabinets to be locked at all times</li> <li>Social Media Policy</li> <li>Finger guards reapplied.</li> <li>High fridge temp reported</li> <li>Keys and passes to remain together</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rocker chair for patient use only</li> <li>Glass Bottles to be locked away</li> <li>Continued Patient conflict issues</li> <li>Aerosol to be confiscated</li> <li>Patient and family member safeguarding issued highlighted</li> <li>Patient volatile mood highlighted</li> <li>Patient ligature risk and concealing a knife. Room was cleared due to self harming behaviours.</li> </ul>

#### Monthly Audit of Safety Briefings - July 2018

			•	TR to use main corridor when
				returning from using phone
			•	No patient to have razors at any
				time, locked in equipment store
				in personal drawers.
			•	Patient incident at cosy.
			•	Meals to be staggered for
				conflicting patients.

#### **Seclusion Audit**

#### September 2019

#### Introduction

The Code of Practice relevant to the Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 defines seclusion as

"the forcible denial of the company of other people by constraint within a closed environment. The patient is usually confined alone in a room, the door of which cannot be open from the inside and from which there is no means of exit open to the patient."

This situation would also arise where the door is not locked from outside but the patient has no reasonable means of exit, due to, for example, the height of the door handles, the weight of the door or the person's physical, sensory, neurodiverse or learning disability. The Code of Practice also states that

"Seclusion is an emergency management procedure for the short term control of patients whose behaviour is seriously disturbed and should be used as a last resort, after all other reasonable steps to control the behaviour have been taken. The sole aim in using seclusion is to contain severely disturbed behaviour that is likely to cause harm to others. It should never be used where there is a risk that the patient may take his own life".

Seclusion should only be used in a hospital setting and in relation to patients' detained under the Mental Health Order. If an emergency situation arises involving a voluntary patient and, as a last resort seclusion is necessary to prevent harm to others, then an assessment under the Mental Health (NI) Order 1986 should be considered. Form 6 (nursing holding power) or Form 5 (Doctor's holding power) can be used as a holding power until an assessment is carried out by a GP and ASW or next of Kin under the Mental Health Order (NI) 1986.

NICE Guidelines (2015) require staff to consider rapid tranquilisation or seclusion as an alternative to prolonged manual restraint (ie longer than 10 minutes).

It is important that the Human Rights of all patients be upheld and that they are considered at every stage of the decision making and monitoring of seclusion —that the use of seclusion is legal, justifiable, least restrictive and proportionate. Article 2 the right to life, Article 3 the right to be free from inhuman or degrading treatment, Article 5 the right to liberty and security and Article 14 the right to be free from discrimination must be considered and documented and that the impact of seclusion in this context is understood and considered by staff. All patients should be treated with dignity and respect and equality and diversity issues should be maintained.

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Seclusion is an emergency intervention.

Seclusion is used for acute, severe behavioural disturbance that is likely to cause harm to others and where all other interventions have failed.

Seclusion should only occur in a designated seclusion room.

Seclusion will be included in a treatment plan, seclusion is not a treatment

Seclusion is used as a last resort and for the shortest possible time and be in the best interest of the patient.

On occasion patients may request to be voluntarily confined to either their own room or a designated seclusion room as a means of self regulating and managing their own risks to others. Such occasions will be rare, but on those occasions where the patient requests such confinement, there needs to be robust monitoring and governance arrangements to ensure appropriate safeguards are in place. These should be the same as occurs for seclusion.

Patients must have capacity to agree to voluntary confinement.

When patients are deemed to have capacity, and are considered able to make decisions for themselves, an expressed wish to be confined in either their own room or seclusion room may not be considered seclusion as long as the following criteria has been met

- There is a care plan previously agreed that has been collaboratively formulated and discussed with the patient, their family or carers and agreed by the multidisciplinary team.
- That the patient retains a means of summoning the attention of staff at all times
- That the patient retains the right to have the confinement curtailed at a time of their choosing.
- That the nurse in charge of the ward is satisfied that the conditions of confinement/environment do not present undue risk to the patient or others.

The overarching principle for voluntary confinement is that the patient has the ability to have their confinement or isolation ended at a time of their choosing.

#### **Audit findings**

The September audit was completed from 9<sup>th</sup> September to 8th October to coincide with the pilot of a new policy

Further audits will be based on a calendar month

Seclusion/Voluntary Confinement was used on 23 occasions

Seclusion: 14

Voluntary Confinement: 9

Total no of patients: 5

No of patients by ward: Cranfield 1-2 patients

Cranfield 2 – 2 patients Sixmile – 1 patient

		Number	Percentage
1. Was the pla	ce of seclusion recorded	22	96%
2. Is legal stati	us recorded	22	96%
3. Authorising	consultant recorded	23	100%
within 30m	consultant contacted ns of seclusion starting why not recorded)	23	100%
5. Authorising recorded	Senior manager	22	96%
contacted v	senior manager vithin 30mins of arting (or reason why d)	18	78%
7. Name of se	cluding nurse recorded	23	100%
8. NOK contac	t recorded	20	87%
	the reason for the seclude the patient	23	100%
10. Efforts and	methods used to cing patient in seclusion	23	100%
	ortunity completed (C)	23	100%
	eclusion recorded by lurse at 15 minute	20	87%
13. NIC review	every hr	21 NA x2	100%
14. Medical rev	iew completed within	12	52%

15. 4 hr medical review completed	NA	100%
16. 8hr full review by MDT completed	NA	100%
17. Evaluation of seclusion completed	19	83%
18. MDT review completed	14	61%

- 4. Of the 1 time the authorising consultant was not contacted within 30mins of seclusion starting
  - A voicemail was left for consultant
- **6.** Of the 2 times the authorising senior manager was not contacted within 30mins of seclusion starting
  - o 1 Voice mail was left
  - 1 was phoned but no answer
- **12.** Of the 3 times review of seclusion was recorded by registered Nurse outside of 15 minute intervals
  - o 1 was 5 minutes over
  - o 1 was 7 minutes over
  - o 1 was 3 minutes over seclusion ended at this time
- 14. Of the 11 times medic did not see the patient to complete a review within 1hr,
  - 4 were out of hours i.e. at weekends or outside of 9am 5pm.
  - o Of the 11, 8 were voluntary confinement
  - o Of these 8, 7 stated 'NA' or 'NA for voluntary confinement', 1 was blank
  - o The other 3 were seclusion
    - 1 was blank
    - 1 was 7 minutes outside the hr and the patient had left the ward by the time the Dr arrived
    - 1 was at 9am, seclusion had started at 7.29 am
- **18.** MDT review has taken place but not recorded on the seclusion record staff reminded to go back to seclusion record and complete this section



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# MAHI - STM - 102 - 10356 MENTAL HEALTH AND LEARNING DISABILITY AUDIT LEAD COMMITTEE

#### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### 1. Establishment of the committees

The Audit Lead Committee was established in September 2009 by Mental Health and Learning Disability

#### 2. Accountability

The Committee is accountable to the Trust Associate Medical Director with remit for Audit.

#### 3. Committee Aims and Functions

- Review audit priorities annually for the Service Group
- Approve audits for the Service Group
- Facilitate staff undertaking audit and assist with the application process
- Ensure staff undertaking audits are working to audit guidelines
- Encourage multidisciplinary audit within the Service Group

#### 4. Membership

The Committee shall be constituted as follows: -

- The Senior Manager for Service Improvement, Modernisation and Governance has been nominated as Chair.
- Three or more representatives from the service group with an interest in audit.
- Audit Manager
- Carer/User Representation

The committee may co-opt additional members as required.

#### 5. Standing orders

- Attendance at meetings members may have deputies. If a member (or deputy) fails to attend 25% of the meetings taking place in the year he/she will be deemed to have resigned (at the discretion of the Chair)
- Quorum a quorum will consist of three members including the Chair or their nominated deputy.

#### 6. Number and frequency of meetings

The committee will meet six times a year.

#### 7. Dates of Meetings

The dates of Committee's meetings will be published for the calendar year ahead to target meeting dates.

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id	name	Job title	sites	Audit title	Supervisor name	Date reg
3893	Janet MacPherson	Consultant	Muckamore	Audit of Benzodiazepine use in kilead ward	Janet MacPherson	12-Jan-12
4227	Jenni Armstrong	Resource Nurse, Service Improvement & Guidance	Muckamore	Community Integration (LD) How are the family/relative/patient involved	Mairead Mitchell	07-Dec-12
4333	Dr Lisa Montgomery	Locum appointed specialist	Muckamore	Prescribing high dose & combination antipsychotics in adult wards	Dr Colin Milliken	08-May-13
4532	Dr Colin Milliken	Clinical Director / Consultant	Muckamore	Use of Levels of Observation at Muckamore Abbey Hospital	Dr Colin Milliken	22-Jan-14
4602	Shelley Crawford	Lead OT	Muckamore	An evaluation of the OT resettlement service at Muckamore- Service User feedback	Aisling Curran	20-Mar-14
4605	Siobhan Keating	Consultant Forensic Psychologist	NW Community, Muckamore	Non-staff support available to Forensic patients in Muckamore Abbey / Belfast Community Forensic LD services	Dr Philip Moore	20-Mar-14
4623	Katie Carson	Occupational Therapist	Muckamore	An evaluation of the OT breakfast club	Shelley Crawford	07-Apr-14
4703	Heather McFarlane	Clinical Lead LD OT Resettlement	Muckamore	Service Evaluation of Occupational Therapy in Resettlement of LD Patients from Muckamore (Staff feedback)	Aisling Curran	03-Jul-14
4708	Kathryn Carson	Occupational Therapist	Muckamore	Healthy lifestyle audit		08-Jul-14
4738	Michael Creaney	Safeguarding Officer	Muckamore	Patient, Carer & Staff Understanding and Implementation of the Adult Safeguarding Process	Esther Rafferty	04-Sep-14
5020	Heather McFarlane	Clinical Lead OT Resettlement	Muckamore	Effectiveness of a community partnership healthy living programme for those with learning disabilities	Aisling Curran	02-Sep-15
5035	Katie Carson	Occupational Therapist	Muckamore	Sensory modulation room use audit	Barry Mills	22-Sep-15
5388	Damien Hughes	Consultant Psychiatrist	Muckamore	Audit of PRN Benzodiazepine	Damien Hughes	28-Oct-16
5389	Damien Hughes	Consultant Psychiatrist	Muckamore	Kardex Audit	Damien Hughes	28-Oct-16
5425	Carole Wilson	ST5	Muckamore	Implementation of Safety Briefings in Muckamore Abbey Hospital	Karen Humphries	19-Dec-16

# Notes of the Mental Health and Learning Disability Audit Forum held on 25 May 2010 in the Post Graduate Lecture Theatre, Belfast City Hospital

Action

#### 1. Welcome

Chris Kelly welcomed those present to the fourth audit forum for Mental Health and Learning Disability and advised that due to unforeseen circumstances Mairead Mitchell would not be joining the group today and sent her apologies.

#### 2. Presentations

Dr. Kelly advised that there would be two presentations that afternoon: -

- Opiate Detox Service Audit Briege Quinn/Leo Tumelty
- Audit of Current Risk Assessment Screening Tool Peter Sloan, Linda Taylor and Melissa Wylie

## 2.1 Opiate Detox Service Audit – Briege Quinn and Leo Tumelty

Briege Quinn introduced herself and advised that this audit had been undertaken by herself, Leo Tumelty and Kieran McNally. The audit was to: -

- Measure the clinical effectiveness of a dedicated opiate detoxification service;
- To assess the quality of care provided compared to national guidelines

Discussion ensued with the following issues raised: -

- Delay in processing of referrals at One Point of Referral – Briege advised that weekly meetings between the two services were ongoing.
- Recording of information given to patients regarding opiate detoxification required improvement – Briege advised that the service is presently collating a standard consultation form to improve same.

## 2.2 Audit of Current Risk Assessment Screening Tool – Peter Sloan, Linda Taylor and Melissa Wylie

Peter Sloane, ST6, Home Treatment Team introduced himself and fellow presenters, Linda Taylor and Melissa Wylie. This audit was carried out within the Home Treatment Team regarding the use of the Risk Screening Tool. Random records in March/April 2010 were selected.

Discussion ensued and the following highlighted: -

- Those present agreed that risk assessment formed a very important part of patient care
- Risk Screening Tool whilst workable in the Hospital setting does not lend itself to a community environment i.e. two signatures
- Confusion as to the application of the Risk Screening Tool /Comprehensive Risk Assessment. If parts of the Risk Assessment are incomplete do staff need to go back and get information as this will not always be possible.
- Duplication of documents some of those present felt that the risk assessment document was merely a paper exercise and that the information was already contained within the patient notes. At present some services are also filling in on PARIS and inpatient notes and it was in this case there was risk of duplication and the wrong risk assessment following the person within the service. It was agreed that it would be helpful if the Risk Screening Tool was on PARIS
- Time taken to fill out document and whether it actually improved patient care – it was suggested that another audit take place looking at this issue;
- Patient involvement the risk assessment should form only part of the patients admission to Mental Health Services and there is the risk that staff will focus too much on the documentation rather than involving the patient and the emphasis on therapeutic care may reduce;
- Title of the tool it was noted that due to the tool being called a risk assessment many patients were very reluctant to sign same. It was suggested that the Risk Assessment Tool be renamed as Safety Plan

Those present were advised that a local protocol is currently being developed which will give guidance regarding some of these issues

#### 3.0 AOB

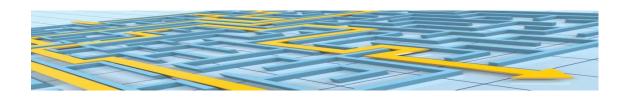
There was no other business. Dr. Kelly thanked the presenters and those present for coming and closed the meeting.

#### 4.0 Date of next forum

The next multidisciplinary audit forum will take place on 23 September 2010 at 3.00 p.m. in the Lecture Theatre, Post Graduate Centre, Belfast City Hospital

#### **Attendance List**

Name	Title	Team
Patricia Minnis	Quality Co-ordinator	Mental Health & Learning
		Disability
Chris Kelly	Consultant Psychiatrist	Acute Mental Health Services
Fintan McErlean	Standards, Quality and Audit	Standards, Quality and Audit
	Manager	
M. Manna	SpR, Muckamore Abbey	Learning Disability
	Hospital	
Leo Tumelty	ST3	Shannon Clinic
Briege Quinn	Operations Manager	Addictions Service
Paul Devine	Consultant Psychiatrist	Shannon Clinic
Peter Sloane	Speciality Registrar	Home Treatment Team
Moira Harper	Carer Advocate	CAUSE
Pauline Hussey	Nurse Development Lead	Mental Health
Richard Ingram	Consultant Psychiatrist	Psychosexual Service
Maire Merrick	Clinical Psychologist	Primary Care Services
Katie Connaughty	ST3	Learning Disability
Margaret Woods	Service Improvement Manager	Mental Health
Neil Kelly	Operations Manager	Community, Treatment and
		Support
Mary McShane	Deputy Associate Director of	Mental Health
	Nursing	
Peter Trimble	Consultant Psychiatrist	Mental Health
Ashling O'Hare	Consultant Psychiatrist	Home Treatment Team
Ruth Barr	Consultant Psychiatrist	Recovery Services
Siobhan Malloy	Community Psychiatric Nurse	Home Treatment Team
Ciaran McNally	ST5	Addictions
Cahal McKervey	Operations Manager	Acute Mental Health Services
Richard Bunn	Consultant Psychiatrist	Forensic Mental Health Services
Philip McGarry	Consultant Psychiatrist	Home Treatment Team
Jackie McIlroy	Principal Social Worker	Mental Health
Colin Milliken	Consultant Psychiatrist	Muckamore Abbey Hospital
Paula McLornan	Consultant Psychiatrist	Iveagh Centre
S. King	Consultant Psychiatrist	Mater Hospital
H. Lawlor	Consultant Psychiatrist	Mater Hospital
Aisling Curran	Occupational Therapy Manager	Mental Health and Learing
		Disability
Bridget Stuart	Team Leader	Home Treatment Team
Janet MacPherson	Consultant Psychiatrist	Muckamore Abbey Hospital
Lisa Brady	ST5	Windsor House
Anne McDonnell	Consultant Psychiatrist	Mater Hospital
Aidan Turkington	Consultant Psychiatrist	Mater Hospital



#### Tuesday 20 May 2014, 9.30am - 2.00pm

#### **Excellence in Practice – Programme**

#### New Education Centre Elliott Dynes Rehabilitation Unit

#### **Royal Victoria Hospital**

9.30am –	9.55am Registration and Tea/Coffee
10.00am	Welcome Colm Donaghy, Chief Executive, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust
10.10am	Introduction to Event Mairead Mitchell, Senior Manager for Service Improvement & Governance
10.20 am	Maggie McGurgan & Holly Greer Audit of Antidepressant Monitoring in CAMHS Outpatients
10.35am	Richard Cherry Screening for Alcohol Misuse Disorder with a Focus on Brief Interventions
10.50am	Jan McGall The Use of Occupational Language in Professional Record Keeping
11.05am	Tea/coffee & scone Refreshment Break & Poster Display Viewing
11.25am	Edel O'Neill Prescribing High Dose & Combination Antipsychotics on Adult Wards
11.40am	Margaret Woods & Angela Meyler A Multi-Stranded Audit of Carer Involvement (Triangle of Care)
11.55am	<b>Davy Martin</b> Audit of Person Centred Record Keeping Practice in Recovery Wards KHCP
12.10pm	'Stepping Outside the Box': Creative & Inspiration Time For You
12.45pm	Best Practice Award Ceremony followed by Closing Remarks.
1.00pm -	2.00pm L U N C H





### **Future Nurse Future Midwife**

# Guidance: Practice Learning Environments Educational Audit









## Guidance for Completion of Practice Learning Environment Educational Audit

#### 1. Introduction

The NMC requires that approved education institutions (AEIs), together with practice learning partners, regularly review all learning environments and provide assurance that they are safe and effective through proper oversight and effective governance processes, with clear lines of responsibility and accountability especially in responding to standards that are not met.

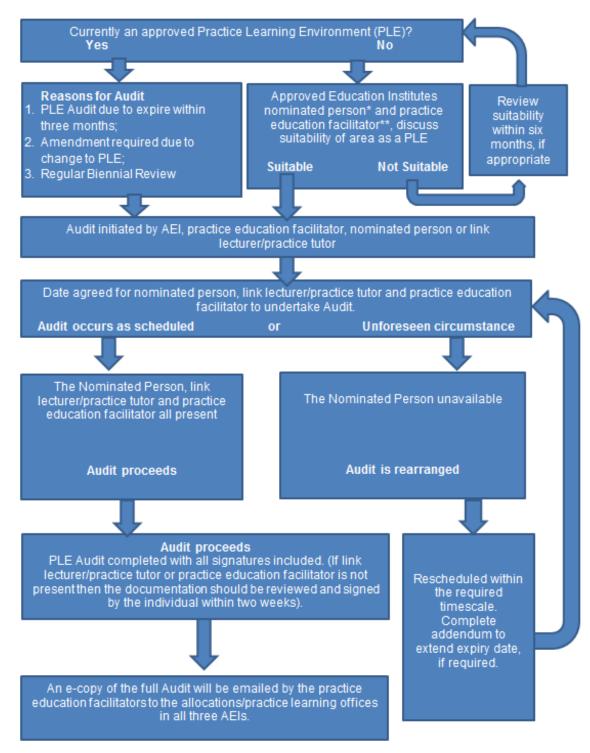
The completion of a Practice Learning Environment Educational Audit (PLEEA) between AEIs and practice learning partners will optimise safety and quality by ensuring all practice Learning Environments (PLEs) have the capacity, facilities and resources in place to deliver safe and effective learning opportunities and practical experiences for students as required by their programme learning outcomes (NMC 2018).

Central to this is a culture of collaboration with effective partnership between practice providers and AEIs to develop quality practice placements for students of nursing & midwifery.

#### 2. Audit Process Overview

- Completion of the PLEEA is a collaborative process and should be reviewed every two years (Flow chart at item 3 outlines process)
- Any of the key stakeholders can initiate a PLEEA.
- Service user involvement is desirable; however, their presence is not essential to the completion of the PLEEA.
- PLEEA will be planned 4 6 weeks prior to review date thereby affording the opportunity for all the stakeholders to participate in the process.
- PLEEAs will be signed off by all of the key stakeholders within 2 weeks.
- All key stakeholders will retain a copy of the completed PLEEA tool (or have access to electronic copy).
- E-copies of PLEEAs will be shared by Practice Education Facilitator/s with all AEI
  Practice Learning Offices/Allocation Offices. For independent sector organisations,
  the link lecturer will forward a copy to the relevant AEI who will then share with other
  AEIs.

#### 3. Undertaking a Practice Learning Environment Educational Audit



Nominated person is the ward sister, charge nurse, team leader, registered home manager, or designated person. Practice education facilitator involvement only where applicable/relevant.

#### 4. Completing the Practice Learning Environment Educational Audit Tool

A sample of the PLEEA tool is provided below, and guidance and information on completing the PLEEA is provided in blue italics.

#### 1. Introduction

The purpose of this tool is to provide evidence that Practice Learning Environments (PLEs) have the capacity, facilities and resources in place, to deliver safe and effective learning opportunities and practical experience for students, as required to meet the NMC proficiencies for their programme of study. This should be collaboratively reviewed every two years to ensure the environment remains a sound educational setting for such learning to take place.

#### 2. Description and Contact Details

Name of Provider						
Site/Service	List details as described					
Ward/Unit/Team						
Date of Audit	Date Completed	Review Date	Review every 2 years (minimum)			
Hours of Service	The working arrangements, service delivery provision and shift patterns i.e. 24/7, mon-Fri 9-5pm should be considered and recorded with the information provided. This will allow stakeholders to agree number of students the PLE can facilitate.	Client Capacity				

students the PLE can	) facilitate.		
Practice Area Manager/Registered Home Manager	Nominated Person		
Provide name and contact details requested	Provide name and contact details requested		
Practice Area Managers have overall responsibility for the PLE and can sometimes be the nominated person also. The Practice Area Manager will:  • actively support the PLE to prepare Practice Supervisors and Practice Assessors  • actively support students in the PLE  • monitor the effectiveness of the PLE from evaluations from students, supervisors and assessors  • implement actions identified in action plans from PLEEA process; and  • identify and support the Nominated Person.	<ul> <li>The Nominated Person will:</li> <li>collaboratively work with stakeholders to identify learning opportunities in the PLE and ensure that necessary measures are in place to make effective use of the learning potential aligned to PLE i.e. identifying relevant spoke experiences</li> <li>ensure there is clear evidence of the potential learning experiences outlined in PLEEA descriptor</li> <li>in collaboration with stakeholder, agree the optimum number of students the PLE can facilitate</li> <li>identify the number of practice supervisors and practice assessors available</li> <li>ensure practice assessors and practice supervisors have access to appropriate preparation and have ongoing access to appropriate support.</li> <li>provide evidence of governance arrangements (PLEEA Section 4)</li> <li>monitor feedback from students, supervisors and assessors and identify any challenges</li> <li>collaboratively with AEI representative and PEF( if applicable) facilitate development and implementation of any action plans arising from PLE education audit, ensuring the PLE manager is informed.</li> </ul>		

## Practice Education Facilitator (where applicable)

### **Link Lecturer/Practice Tutor**

Provide name and contact details requested

The Practice Education Facilitator will:

- in collaboration with the practice area manager and nominated person, consider operational, workforce and staff development needs within the context of supporting supervision and assessment of students and ensure education governance requirements are met in completing PLEEA
- collaboratively, with nominated person and AEI representative, clarify/identify the learning opportunities available to develop evidence for the Northern Ireland Practice Assessment Document (NIPAD) or Midwifery ongoing record of Achievement (MORA)
- support the nominated person to identify necessary measures to enable effective use of the learning potential in the practice learning setting
- identify relevant evidence to assure quality of PLE

Provide name and contact details requested

The link lecturer/practice tutor has responsibility to support students in PLE and assure that the practice area meets educational standards; they will:

- collaboratively, with the nominated person and PEF (if applicable) clarify/identify the learning opportunities available to develop evidence for the Northern Ireland Practice Assessment Document (NIPAD) or Midwifery Ongoing Record of Achievement (MORA).
- ensure that necessary measures are taken to make effective use of the learning potential in the practice learning settings
- assure quality practice learning experiences by reviewing evidence provided (PLEEA Section 4)
- highlight any issues which may impact on students' learning experiences or performance, including student feedback
- collaboratively, with the nominated person and PEF (if applicable, develop an action plan arising from the PLEEA)

#### Allocation Reports should be emailed to:

Identify the person and provide their email. The email address of the Practice Area Manager, the Nominated Person and Practice Education Facilitator (if applicable) is required.

The purpose of this is to ensure that AEI allocation reports are forwarded to the person responsible for the coordination of students' learning experience ensuring the practice supervisor and/or practice assessor can be allocated and prepared in time for commencement of students in the PLE.

#### a. Description of PLE

Provide a brief introduction of the PLE, including an overview of the person/client/service user profile and the learning opportunities that facilitates students to meet the NMC Standards of Proficiency for Nursing & Midwifery. Also include identified **spoke opportunities** aligned to the PLE.

PLE description outlines the practice learning opportunities that will facilitate students to develop and work towards achieving their learning outcomes to meet NMC programme standards for pre and post registration programmes.

NOTE: The description of Midwifery PLEs should include information detailing if the practice learning experience facilities midwifery students to experience continuity of midwifery care and continuity of care defined as follows:

- Continuity of Midwifery Carer: 'facilitated in models of care that provide a woman with care from the same midwife or team of midwives during the pregnancy, birth and the early parenting period with referral to specialist obstetric care as needed. This involves care coordination, provision and a relationship over time¹
- Continuity of Care (continuity in or within 1 or more phases of pregnancy but not across the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Reference <u>Sandall et al 2016 Cochrane Review</u> & <u>NMC (2019) Standards of Proficiency for Midwives</u>

entire continuum eg antenatal and postnatal or antenatal only): 'models of care where responsibility and care is shared between different health professionals...' <sup>2</sup>

When describing the PLE in relation to Midwifery the following question should be answered

- Does this practice learning experience facilitate midwifery students to experience continuity of midwifery carer as defined above?
- Does this practice learning experience facilitate midwifery students to experience continuity of care as defined above?
- If yes, please detail how the student will access ie name of team student assigned to or name of specialist midwife/service student aligned to.

Types of PLE include specialty, midwifery and field of nursing ward, specialist service and/or team. Description of PLEs should be focused on the services it provides and include:

- number of beds, population served, throughput, range of care experiences, model or level of care provided and learning opportunities available to students to facilitate learning outcomes to be achieved for each part of programme
- framework/model used for assessment, planning and evaluation of care
- inter-professional working experiences (social work, physiotherapy, occupational health, clinical pharmacy medical staff could add some examples from other fields) linked to the provision of care within the PLE and related to students' learning outcomes.

If a hub and spoke learning experience model is used within the PLE, each spoke is required to be identified (Hub is the base PLE and spoke is an experience outside the PLE in another location, from which the students' learning is complemented and linked to the PLE). There should be a description of identified spoke opportunities/experiences aligned to the PLE (i.e. theatres, radiology, research, specialist nursing/midwifery teams/services, perinatal mental health, voluntary/independent sector, patient flow coordination).

Additional experiences which are gained by working with voluntary sector agencies should be identified as a spoke experience in the description with the associated learning identified.

Note: Although the NMC standards state that all students should be supervised while learning in practice, this can mean that students learn within an environment that does not have any 'practice supervisors' or registered personnel, provided their practice supervisor(s), practice assessor, or any other suitable person has oversight of the learning within that PLE. Refer back to SSSA guidance and point as follows: These placements could be enrichment opportunities in environments where there are no registered health and social care professionals that provide an opportunity for students to learn other relevant skills. The person or people who are coordinating the students' learning may wish to draw up a plan for these placements, and coordinate with the student and those within the environment before, during and after the placement to discuss the learning outcomes that may be achieved. Those supporting students within such an environment must also have the knowledge and skills necessary to help students meet the learning outcomes specified and resources available to support learning in PLE e.g. Internet Access, Library Access, Journals, Study Area, and University Lecturer Visits.

#### **b.** This environment actively protects students as supernumerary.

Nursing and midwifery students in practice or work placed learning must be supported to learn without being counted as part of the staffing required for safe and effective care in that setting. PLEs should enable students to learn how to provide safe and effective care, not merely to observe; students can and should add real value to care. The contribution students make will increase over time as they gain proficiency and they will continue to benefit from ongoing guidance and feedback. Once a student has demonstrated that they are proficient, they should be able to fulfil tasks without direct oversight.

The level of supervision a student needs is based on the professional judgement of their supervisors, taking into account any associated risks and the students' knowledge, proficiency and confidence and based on the needs of the individual student.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reference Sandall et al 2016 Cochrane Review & NMC (2019) Standards of Proficiency for Midwives

#### **c.** A current student orientation pack is available.

A student orientation pack/package should be available and reviewed at each PLEEA. There is a requirement to ensure that orientation packs remain up to date, covering the orientation requirements identified in the NIPAD or MORA (completed in each PLE).

**d.** Optimum number of pre-registration students this PLE can facilitate, including Return to Practice Students.

This number is collaboratively agreed by manager/nominated person, AEI representative and PEF (if applicable) considering information collated from working arrangements, shift patterns, client/patient throughput and environmental factors plus the number of practice supervisors and practice assessors available.

e. Please confirm if environment is Hub (i.e. where practice assessors are available for assessment) or Spoke (i.e. where there are only practice supervisors available)

Hub is a base practice learning experience from which the student learning is complemented by additional activities known as Spokes.

Practice assessors are available in the Hub for assessment purposes or spoke where there are only practice supervisors available.

#### 3. Supervision and Assessment Capacity

AEIs, together with practice learning partners, must ensure that there are suitable individuals in place to ensure safe and effective coordination of learning within practice learning environments. In reviewing practice supervisor and practice assessor capacity, consider:

- the continuing professional development requirements of practice supervisors and assessors
- commissioning decisions relating to advanced standing and post registration education
- supervision of students to maximise the number of practice learning opportunities available, if there
  are no NMC registrants available explore options to facilitate experience and note appropriate
  actions required in PLEEA.

Numbe	er of:		Part-Time	Full-Time	Total WTE	
a. F	Practice	e Supervisors	Identify number of all NMC registrants. In facilities where there are no NMC registered practice supervisors, number of identified registered health care professionals will be identified and suitably prepared to supervise students and contribute to assessment.			
	progran	e Assessors – Pre-registration nmes Adult   Mental Health   Learning Disability   Children's   Midwifery    Midwifery    Midwi	Number of staff who have transitioned from NMC (2008) SLAiP standards (mentors, sign off mentors and practice teachers) to practice assessor data base and staff who have progressed to practice assessor (NMC 2018) identifying pre-registration field of practice.			
c. F		e Assessors – SPQ Adult □ Mental Health □ Learning Disability □ Children's □	Identify number of from NMC (2008) sign off mentors a practice assessor progressed to pra- with SCPHN, SPC qualifications Link	SLAiP standar nd practice tea data base and ctice assessor Q (with field) and ked to section S	rds (mentors, achers) to I staff who have (NMC 2018) ad NMP 5.	
d. F	Practice a. b. c.	e Assessors – SCPHN Health Visitor □ Occupational Health Nurse □ School Nurse □	Identify practice a medical practition qualification for a preparation provid	er, pharmacist specific progra	with relevant	

**e.** Practice Assessor – Other (please specify):

In exceptional circumstances the same person may fulfil the role of the Practice Supervisor and Practice Assessor for example, in NMP, SPQ or SCPHN. State rationale here if this applies: Provide Rationale

#### 4. Quality Assurance of PLE

In order to ensure that learning environments and experiences are safe and effective, all environments should be regularly reviewed, and all concerns and complaints about practice learning addressed effectively and in a timely way. AEIs, and their practice learning partners, should have the processes in place to manage this effectively.

- **a.** Have students' evaluation of PLE been reviewed, and action taken where required? Provide comments
- b. In relation to the above are there any issues that could impact on the students' learning experience? If Yes, please elaborate and detail in action plan to address issues: Provide comments

Student feedback from practice learning experience should be evaluated and a summary evidenced in PLEEA. Evidence can be sourced from formal feedback from the AEI, verbal feedback, via PEF, ward manager, thank you cards, etc. Identify any issues from feedback and detail action plan to address issue/s.

**c.** Are there any significant complaints or incidents that could impact on students' learning experience? If Yes, please elaborate and detail in action plan to address issues:

Provide comments

If a significant complaint or incident has been identified or previously addressed within the PLE this should be discussed at the PLEEA review and a brief summary included in this section of document. An action plan may be required.

**d.** Are all relevant risk assessments undertaken and current in the PLE and corroborated at time of audit?

Manager and nominated person confirm in this section that risk assessments are undertaken in the PLE as required and processes are in place to raise, escalate and manage concerns. Evidence provided e.g. mandatory training, key performance indicators, audit results, is reviewed and corroborated at time of audit by stakeholders. This evidence is made available if requested by Mott McDonald reviewer.

The manager and nominated person are required to identify any health and safety issues that could impact on the student learning experience and may pose a risk to students – as part of the PLEEA process explore actions to minimise or eliminate the risk identified. This information will help formulate an action plan with the key stakeholders. This can take place at time of PLEEA or between reviews dates.

**Note:** Suspension of PLE may be required until risk is reduced or eliminated. AEI escalation protocol (Refer to NIPAD handbook or MORA Guidance Document)

**e.** Are there any quality initiatives on-going in the PLE - verify and detail below: Provide comments

In this section list initiatives, which relate to below. Evidence provided is reviewed and corroborated at time of audit by stakeholders This evidence is made available if requested by Mott McDonald reviewer.

The three landmark reports in 2013 in the NHS (Francis Report, Keogh Review and Berwick Report) all advocated the development of an organisational culture which prioritises patients and quality of care above all else, with clear values embedded through all aspects of organisational behaviour, and a pursuit of high quality care through continuous improvement.

'The Right Time, The Right Place (2015)' emphasises the importance of embedding quality improvement within the culture of the organisation. This is supported in the Health and Wellbeing 2026, Delivering Care Together Strategy, which states that in the design and delivery of health and social care, quality and safety will always be a fundamental priority.

In line with the Regional Quality 2020 Strategy an attributes framework has been developed to assist individuals in assessing:

- their current attributes (knowledge, skills and attitudes) in relation to leadership for quality improvement and safety
- their learning and development needs for their current role or for future roles
- the purpose of the framework is to help organisations to build the capability and capacity of the workforce to participate in and lead initiatives which develop quality care and services.

The framework consists of 4 levels:

- Strengthening foundations for improvement (Level 1) This applies to all staff who work or who are in training in health and social care. An E-Learning programme has been introduced and all staff are encouraged to complete this or a face to face session.
- Delivering improvement (Level 2) This applies to staff and those in training, who can lead small-step-change(s), with support, in their service.
- Driving improvement (Level 3) This applies to staff who lead team(s) or service(s) within their organisation.
- Directing improvement (Level 4) This applies to staff charged with leading quality improvement across their organisation and/across the Health and Social Care system. These individuals are also responsible for ensuring that quality improvement is imbedded in the day-to-day work of the organisation

#### 5. NMC Programme Standards

Identify the range of practice learning experiences available to students within each field of practice. (used by each AEI for allocation purposes only)

Please see below some guidance when completing this section:

- Field of practice relevant to practice learning experience to be ticked
- Available experience for the student to be ticked within each field
- Cross reference adult experience where applicable
- LD and MH ONLY to be ticked when full experience is available

Exemplar for completing PLEEA in Adult environment - THEATRES						
☐ NN AEI representative should select prac registration prograi	☐ NMC Standards for Pre-Registration Midwifery					
☐ Adult	<ul><li>☐ Mental</li><li>Health</li></ul>	☐ Children's	☐ Learning			
			Disabilities			
	☐ Older adults with mental ill-health ☐ Children and Young People ☐ Acute care mental health ─ hospital /community ☑ Acute adult experience - Hospital/ Community ☐ Specialist - hospital /community ☐ LD Experience	□ Acute (medical or/& surgical) □ Community Children's with Hub & Spoke: mental health □ Specialist area placement and/or Experience □ Health visiting Experience □ LD Experience	☐ Community Children and/or Adult ☐ 24 hour supported care ☐ Children's CYP Acute or Community ☑ Acute adult experience - Hospital/Acute Care Home Experience ☐ MH Experience	□ Antenatal □ Intra-natal □ Postnatal □ Community □ Neonatal ☑ Adult Medical/Surgical Experience 4 weeks direct entry students only		
NMC Standards for Post-Registration Nursing or Midwifery  Select NMC approved programmes that can be supported within PLE, ensuring appropriate supervision and assessment requirements are available. Programme can be determined by course/s commissioned based on training needs analysis process which manager is responsible for or if there is a requirement to facilitate a commissioned staff member from another PLE if a suitable practice assessor is available and service lead agrees.  NMC Standards for Specialist Community Public Health Nurses  NMC Standards for Specialist Practice Qualification  NMC Standards for Nurse and Midwife Prescribers						

Exemplar for completing PLEEA in Mental Health Environment – ACUTE HOSPITAL

AEI representative should select pra- registration prograi	☐ NMC Standards for Pre-Registration Midwifery						
☐ Adult	☐ Adult ☐ Mental ☐ Children's ☐ Learning ☐ Health ☐ Disabilities						
☐ Older Adults ☐ Health Visiting /Public Health ☐ District/ Community Nursing ☐ Surgical ☐ Care of the acutely ill – hospital /community ☐ LD Experience ☑ MH Experience	□ Older Adults □ Health Visiting /Public Health □ District/ Community Nursing □ Surgical □ Care of the acutely □ LD Experience □ Acute (medical or/& surgical or/& surgical) □ Community □ Children and community □ Community □ Community □ Community □ Community □ Community □ Children and/or Adult □ Community □ 24 hour supported care □ Community □ Children's CYP □ Care of the acutely ill – hospital   Acute or Community □ Adult   Adult   Medical/Surgical   Experience   Experience of the acutely □ Acute adult   Health visiting   Acute or Community □ Acute adult   Medical/Surgical   Experience of the acutely □ Acute adult   Care of the acutely □ Acute adult   Acute adult   Acute or Community □ Acute adult   Acute or Community □ Acute adult   Acute adult   Acute or Community □ Acute adult   Acute adult   Acute or Community □ Health Visiting   Acute adult   Acute adult						
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6. Declaration o	f Approval						
Outcome of Audit: We declare that this PLE has does not have the capacity, facilities and resources in place to deliver safe and effective learning opportunities and practical experience for students. An action plan is not required Required							
See process flow chart on completing a PLEEA Section 3. If PLE is not approved review in 6 months.							
Facilitator, if applical	The Nominated Person and AEI representative are key 'signatories' and Practice Education Facilitator, if applicable. If all signatories not available needs to be completed within two weeks.						
	Patient advocate/service user may be present at review and will sign document.  Name of Approver Practice Area Manager/Nominated Person						
Name of Approver Name of Approver		oresentative/Link L		Tutor			
Name of Approver Practice Education Facilitator (where applicable)							

#### **Action Plan (if required)** Agreed Action/s: An Action plan may be required in response to an incident, complaint serious Action Review adverse incident or risk escalation. The action plan should identify actions due Due required and agreed by Practice Placement partner, PLE Manager, Nominated by: by: person and PEF (if applicable) with a review date agreed. Enter Enter If Suspension of the PLE is required, the process is outlined in 'Procedure on date. date. the Identification, Management and monitoring of placements for students who are undertaking a NMC approved programme'. To be completed on Action Plan Review Date Reviewed by: Reviewed Outcome: Name and position of Reviewer Select outcome. on: Enter Name and position of Reviewer

Name and position of Reviewer

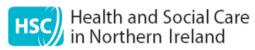
Amendments to Audited PLE								
Briefly note/date any amendments to the PLE since the last review, if applicable								
Briefly note any adjustments to supervision and assessment capacity or change in service provision								
in this section in the PLE since the last review, if applicable.								
Reviewed by: Name and position of Reviewer	Amended on: Enter	Shared with:						
	date.	Name and role						

date.









#### **EDUCATIONAL AUDIT FOR PRACTICE LEARNING**

Name of Provider (eg Trust/Independ Sector)		Belfast Health and Social Care Trust								
Site/Cluster Muckamore Abbey Ho (eg Belfast City Hospital)										
Ward/Unit/Team Erne 1										
Date of Audit (Month and Year o	Feb 2017	Review Date Feb 20 (Month and Year only)				2019	019			
Audit information is shared where environments are utilised by more than one Education Provider										
Outcomes of Current Audit		Please select and place a tick in the appropriate box below to indicate outcome								
Approved					Yes		No			
Approved with Conditions (see Action Plan)				Yes	$\boxtimes$	No		]		
Not Approved (Please give reasons in Action Plan)					Yes		No		]	
AGREED NUMBERS THE ENVIRONMENT CAN HOST										
		Whole Time Equivalent number of Pre-Registration students at any one time, including Return to Practice Students  (from all providers)*  2								
PRE- REGISTRATION PROGRAMMES	EXCLUSIONS  Please identify below, with supporting information, any exclusions that may apply to pre-registration students (eg, area unsuitable for first practice learning experience in year one)									
	No exclusions - placement accepts all level of students. Only one management student at any one time.									
	RATIONALE FOR EXCLUSIONS  Limited sign off mentors									
		ax Whole Time Equivalent number of Post-Registration students at any one time (from all providers and additional to Pre-Registration student numbers) *								
POST- REGISTRATION	Experience	Sı	uitable	itable Experience Suitable				able		
	Health Visitors	Yes 🗌	No		Occupat	ional Health	Yes		No	

No

No

School Nursing

Other (Specify)

#### ON COMPLETION:

**District Nursing** 

**Specialist Practice** 

- The *original* of this Education Audit should be returned by the **University Lecturer** to the relevant University Practice Learning/Allocation Office.
- A copy must be kept by the Sister / Charge Nurse / Manager of the environment.

Yes

Yes

Yes

No

<sup>\*</sup> Please bear in mind that the pre-registration student experience, where available, will include the 24 hour / 7 day week shift pattern.

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A second *copy* must be kept by the **Practice Education Facilitator** (or equivalent for Independent Sector).

#### Introduction

An audit of the learning environment for students on practice learning experiences is a mandatory requirement by the Nursing and Midwifery Council. Prior to the appointment of a Practice Education Team this process would have been undertaken by the link lecturer and the ward manager. The NMC Standards to Support Learning and Assessment in Practice (2008) clearly define the educational governance requirements that practice learning providers have responsibility for implementing. The practice education teams are responsible for providing professional support and facilitation to ward managers, team leaders, mentors and practice teachers in collaboration with Trust Senior Nurses, to ensure that the NMC Standards for Learning and Assessment in Practice are met by the Trust.

#### Outline of Roles and Responsibilities of Key Stakeholders

Completion of an educational audit is a dynamic process which may be initiated by each or all of the key stakeholders. Modern Health & Social Care services are complex in which change is the norm therefore it is important that all stakeholders recognise the challenges that managers face when planning an educational audit. Managers are key decision makers within this process; therefore audits should be planned with the essence of true partnership working and active engagement in mind. Service users' views should be considered in the audit process.

The Practice Education Facilitators are pivotal to ensuring that managers meet their education governance requirements. Furthermore they ensure that the outcome of the audit can be supported within a Trust context. During the audit process managers will be facilitated by the Practice Education Facilitator to consider operational, workforce and staff development needs for example:

Where a practice learning environment has a service user advocate, the service user advocate should be an active participant in the audit process, including the decision to approve the environment.

#### Mentor capacity:

- 1. The continuing professional development requirements of mentors and sign off mentors.
- 2. The identification of nurses to undertake the mentor programme.
- 3. Maximising the number of practice learning opportunities available in the Trust.
- 4. Commissioning decisions relating to advanced standing and post registration education requirements.

#### Strategic direction which may influence the audit process such as:

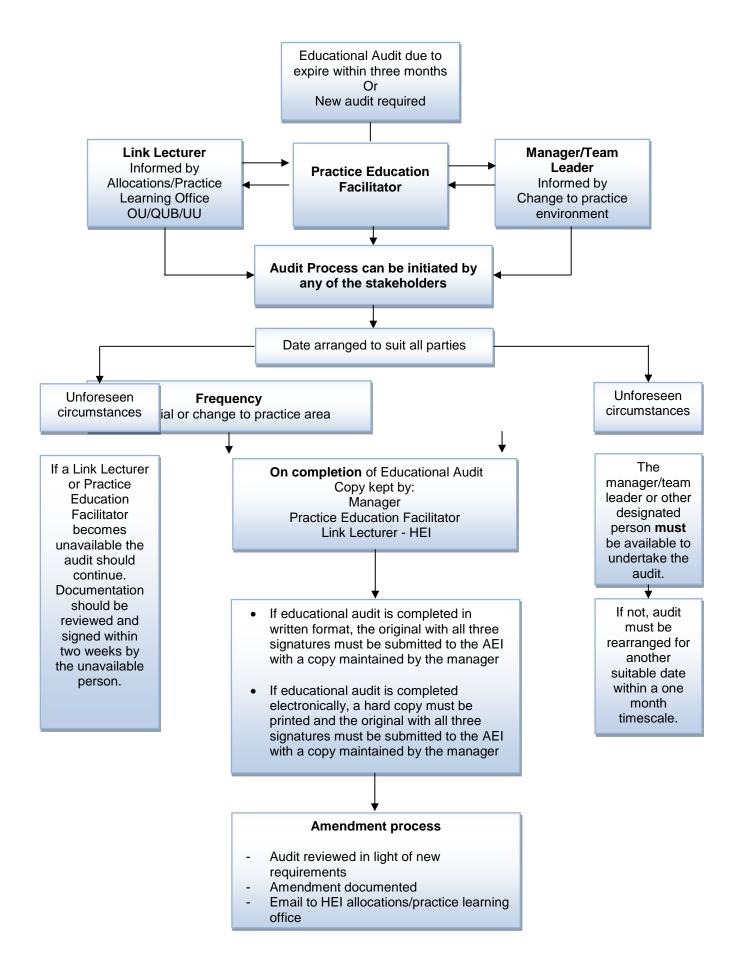
- 1. Modernisation & Reform Plans.
- 2. Service redesign.
- 3. The Trust Workforce Plan.
- 4. The Trust Nursing & Midwifery Strategy.

Approved Educational Institutions (AEIs) and their practice partners aim to build on and improve on the existing processes. In order to do this, the following principles underpin the educational audit process regionally:

- Each or all of the key stakeholders can initiate a practice learning audit.
- Audits will be planned in a timely manner thereby affording the opportunity for all the stakeholders to participate in the process.
- Audits will be signed off by all of the key stakeholders.
- All key stakeholders will receive a copy of the completed audit tool.

Central to this is the collaborative partnership between practice partners and AEIs necessary to develop quality practice placements for students of Nursing & Midwifery. With Northern Ireland, both parties are committed to this process.

# MAHI - STM - 102 - 10378 PROCESS FOR INITIATING AND COMPLETING EDUCATIONAL AUDIT



# MAHI - STM - 102 - 10379 GUIDELINES FOR THE EDUCATIONAL AUDIT FOR PRACTICE LEARNING

- An audit of the learning environment for students on practice learning experiences is a mandatory requirement of the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC), who have access to the audit information. The tool is designed to evaluate the learning environment for Nursing and Midwifery students to ensure they can achieve the learning outcomes specific to their curricula and will be undertaken at least once every two years.
- Practice learning environments utilised for an Overseas Nursing Programme require an annual audit.
- Queen's University Belfast, The University of Ulster, The Open University the five Health and Social
  Care Trusts and Independent sector representatives have collaborated on the design of this audit tool.
  It is envisaged that an educationalist from one of the Universities and Trust/Independent Sector
  representatives will participate in the audit. The information will then be shared as necessary between
  all the Universities.
- Only areas with a current audit can be utilised for student practice learning experiences.
- Access to quality assurance activities within the practice learning environment will be necessary so that
  these can be included in the audit e.g. RQIA Reports. Access to nursing documentation will also be
  required in order to access the quality of care planning. All material will be treated as strictly
  confidential.
- If issues are raised during the Educational Audit process, these will be discussed and **an Agreed Action Plan formulated to achieve the expected outcomes** e.g. number of available mentors needs to be increased.
- Agreed Actions will be addressed collaboratively by the Manager, the University Educationalist and the Trust Practice Education Team/Independent Sector equivalent.
- The University Educationalist who conducted the initial audit will be responsible for checking that all required actions on these plans have been actioned within the agreed time frames.

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ADDRESS OF PRACTICE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT			
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Postal Address Line 4 Muckamore			
Post Code	BT41 4SH		
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	Contact Details						
Designation	Name	Telephone	E-Mail				
Sister/Charge Nurse/Manager	Dessie McAuley						
Practice Education Coordinator	Elish MacDougall	_					
Practice Education Facilitator	Donna Stinson						
Link Lecturer (Queen's University Belfast)	David Marshall						
Link Lecturer (University of Ulster)							
Staff Tutor Nursing (Open University)							
Supervisor of Midwives							
Service User Advocate							
Email address(es) for Allocation Reports to be Sent (Maximum 3)							

Type of Experience (select and tick as appropriate )					
Hospital Adult					
Community					
Other (please specify below)   Children's					
Learning Disability					
		Midwifery			

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF PRACTICE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Please provide an overview of the practice learning environment under the following subheadings:

Type of practice learning environment (eg, medical ward, specialist service, team)

Erne is an in-patient resettlement unit, for male patients with a diagnosis of a Learning Disability.

Description of practice learning environment and services provided (eg number of beds, population served, throughput, range of care experiences and learning opportunities available to students). This information will also be shared with students and NMC reviewers.

Erne is a 7 bedded unit, which provides a range of care requirements for male patients with Learning Disabilities, some of who also have co-existing mental health problems/diagnosis and challenging behaviours.

Students at any stage of the pre-registration nursing programme will benefit from an exposure to this type of Learning Environment and will work closely under the supervision of Learning Disability nursing staff/mentors.

Learning opportunities available for all students include, though not restricted to:

- ➤ Personal Care developing an awareness and appreciation for the client's right to dignity, privacy and autonomy.
- Gaining insight and awareness of a plethora of diagnosed conditions, such as Epilepsy, Bi-polar Disorder, Depression, Autism, Arthritis, Hypo/Hypertension, Hypo-Thyroidism and Anaemia.
- ➤ The opportunity to work with a broad multi-disciplinary team, developing an understanding of the Interdisciplinary roles of such professionals: Psychologist, Psychiatrist, Medical Officer, Podiatrist, Dentist, Behavioural Nurse Therapist, Dietician, Social Worker, Speech Therapist, and Occupational Therapist.
- > The opportunity to develop and update nursing assessments, care planning/implementation, referral and evaluation skills.
- > Risk Assessment and Risk Management
- > Involvement in ward rounds, case conferences, annual reviews and resettlement meetings
- Challenging behaviour types and management
- Management of Actual and Potential Aggression; the opportunity to observe the use of MAPA techniques and restrictive practices, developing an awareness of local policy and use of legislation.
- Working with clients to promote all aspects of physical and mental health dietary advice, devising exercise plans and interacting with keyworkers.
- Vulnerable Adults (VA) policy, referral and management of same, also liaising with the designated VA officer and PSNI when needed.
- ➤ The opportunity to hone communication skills; verbal, written, electronic, with other professionals and also clients families, whilst also having exposure to and opportunity to develop a range of communication skills used with clients; verbal, non-verbal, body language, facial expressions, cues, gestures, Makaton, signs and symbols.
- Record keeping, using NMC guidance
- Manual Handling techniques
- Involvement in a number of activities for clients, including (but not limited to): cookery, gardening, arts and crafts, music, communication skill development and graded community exposure.
- > Resettlement Processes
- Datix incident reporting
- Resource management
- Environmental cleanliness/safety

- Develop an understanding of the need for dignity, respect, privacy and confidentiality of clients and their families/carers
- Awareness of links to other agencies
- Nutritional needs of clients
- ➤ Medication management and Trust Medicine Code liaising with Trust Pharmacist and exposure to a broad range of prescription medications, including Intramuscular injections
- Venepuncture and clinical observations.
- E-Rostering system.

# MAHI - STM - 102 - 10383 NMC PROGRAMME STANDARDS AND ESSENTIAL SKILLS CLUSTERS

2.1 NMC Essential Skills Clusters for Pre-Registration Nursing Progr	ammes − plicable Yes □ No □
Does the practice learning environment facilitate experiences as defined by the of that service? Please note this does not mean all essential skills under thes that there are skills undertaken in this area that fall under these headings. An an explanation.	e headings are available, but
NMC Essential Skills Clusters (ESCs) for Pre Registration Nursi Annexe 1 to NMC Circular 07/2007 & NMC (2010) Standards for Pre-Registration	ng Programmes
Care and Compassion and Communication	Yes No
Organisational Aspects of Care	Yes 🛛 No 🗌
Infection Prevention and Control	Yes ⊠ No □
Nutrition and Fluid Management	Yes 🛛 No 🗌
Medicines Management	Yes 🛛 No 🗌
Explanation Notes for Any "No"	
2.2 NMC Standards for Pre-registration Midwifery Education - Essent	
Ap  Does the practice learning environment facilitate experiences as defined by the Any 'No' should be followed with an explanation.	plicable: Yes ⊠ No □ ne following?
NMC Standards for Pre-registration Midwifery Education - Esse	
Communication	Yes 🛛 No 🗌
Initial consultation between the woman and the midwife	Yes 🛛 No 🗌
Normal labour and birth	Yes No
Initiation and continuance of breastfeeding	Yes No 🗆
Medical products management	Yes ⊠ No □
Explanation Notes for Any "No"	

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**Applicable:** Yes ☐ No ☒

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2.3	NMC Standards for Specialist Education and Practice –

Does the practice learning environment facilitate experiences as defined by the follow Any 'No' should be followed with an explanation.	ing?			
NMC Standards for Specialist Education and Practice				
Assess the health and health related needs of patients, clients, their families and other carers and identify and initiate appropriate steps for effective care for individuals, groups and communities;	Yes		No	
Plan, provide and evaluate skilled nursing care in differing environments with varied resources. (Specialist community nurses must be able to adapt to working in people's homes and also small institutions, health centres, Surgeries, schools and places of work;)	Yes		No	
Support informal carers in a partnership for the giving of care. The majority of care in the community is given by informal carers. They need guidance, support and resources to carry out tasks so that there is continuity of care for the patient;	Yes		No	
Access and manage care needs in a range of settings. These are complex activities which call for informed judgement to distinguish between health and social needs recognising that the distinction is often a fine, but critical, one;	Yes		No	
Provide counselling and psychological support for individuals and their carers;	Yes		No	
Facilitate learning in relation to identified health needs for patients, clients and their carers;	Yes		No	
Prescribe from a nursing formulary, where the legislation permits;	Yes		No	
Act independently within a multidisciplinary/multi-agency context;	Yes		No	
Support and empower patients, clients and their carers to influence and use available services, information and skills to the full and to participate in decisions concerning their care.			No	
Explanation Notes For Any "No"				
2.4 NMC Standards of proficiency for Specialist Community Public Health Nu Applicable			No	$\boxtimes$
These standards of proficiency underpin the ten key principles of public health practice specialist community public health nursing. They are grouped into four domains:	e in the	cont	text o	f
NMC Standards of Proficiency for Specialist Community Public Healt	h Nurs	ses		
Search for health needs	Yes		No	
Stimulation of awareness of health needs	Yes		No	
Influence on policies affecting health	Yes		No	
Facilitation of health-enhancing activities.	Yes		No	

# MAHI - STM - 102 - 10385 2.5 NMC Standards of Proficiency for Nurse and Midwife Prescribers Applicable: Yes No S

NMC Standards of Proficiency for Nurse and Midwife Prescribe	NMC Standards of Proficiency for Nurse and Midwife Prescribers						
Assess a patient/client's condition	Yes		No				
Undertake a through history, including medical history and medication history,	Yes		No	]			
including over-the-counter medicines and complementary therapies	165		INO				
Decide on management of presenting condition and whether or not to prescribe	Yes		No				
Identify appropriate products if medication is required	Yes		No				
Advise the patient/client on effects and risks	Yes		No				
Prescribe if the patient/client agrees	Yes		No				
Monitor Response to medication and Lifestyle advise	Yes		No				
12 days supervised learning in practice equating to 12 x 7.5 hours (6.5 hours	Yes	$\Box$	No.				
excluding breaks) days, available to students	168		No	Ш			
Opportunity to spend time with a range of non-medical prescribers, dispensing	Yes		No				
pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, as well as medical prescribers	165		INO				
Is the student able to avail of professional and managerial support, within an							
appropriate clinical environment that subscribes to the spirit and practice of nurse	Yes		No				

# 2.5.1 Eligibility Criteria for Designated Medical Practitioners for Above Programme Only

Please indicate Yes/No (please give more details in box below where No is selected)

Criteria for Designated Medical Practitioners					
Registered Medical Practitioner	Yes		No		
At least three years recent clinical experience for a group of patients/clients in the relevant field of practice	Yes		No		
Is within a GP practice and is either vocationally trained or is in procession of a certificate of equivalent experience from the Joint Committee for Post –graduate Training in General Practice Certificate or is a specialist registrar, clinical assistant or a consultant within a NHS Trust or other NHS employer	Yes		No		
Has the support of the employing organisation or GP practice to act as the DMP who will provide supervision, support and opportunities to develop competence in prescribing practice	Yes		No		
Has some experience or training in teaching and or supervising in practice	Yes		No		
Normally works with the trainee prescriber.	Yes		No		
Details for any <b>No</b> responses to Criteria for Designated Medical Practit	tioners				

prescribing?

#### MAHI - STM - 102 - 10386 CAPACITY OF PRACTICE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT TO SUPPORT PRACTICE 3. **LEARNING**

#### **NMC Standards to Support Learning and Assessment in Practice** 3.1

Where is the Register of Mentors and Practice Teachers held?				ealth and Social Car dependent Sector – Hold own Reg Held by Unive	ister	st	
	Number of available	Mentors/Sign-Off I	Mei	ntors and Practice	Teacl	ners	
	Mentors	Sign-off Mentors	<b>3</b>	Sign-Off Mentors		Practice Teach	
Part-Time		1					
Full-Time	3	3					
Total WTE	3	4	1				
•	cess to ensure annual tice teachers?	updating for		Yes 🛚	İ	No 🗆	
and Practice	held on the Local Reg Teachers about the ava d to the practice learnir	ailability of mentors		Yes 🛚		No 🗌	
Is there a process in place to ensure that the practice learning environment returns updates for the Local Register about availability of mentors?				Yes 🛚		No 🗌	
Is there a process in place to advise students of their mentors name at least one week in advance of the practice learning experience commencing?			Yes 🛚		No 🗌		
Can the practice learning environment facilitate at least 40% supervision of the student's time by a mentor/practice teacher when giving direct care?			Yes 🛚	l	No 🗌		
In addition to the above, can the practice learning environment one hour per week with the allocated Sign off mentor for student/s undertaking their final experience?		the allocated Sign		Yes 🛚		No 🗌	
Have mentors/practice teachers information on the students' programme of study?		rmation on the		Yes 🛚		No 🗌	
Have mentors/practice teachers information on the students learning outcome for practice learning?				Yes 🛚		No 🗌	
	s/practice teachers info			Yes 🛚		No 🗌	
	s/practice teachers acco			Yes 🛚		No 🗌	
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What network of support and supervision exists for mentors to enable them to fulfil their responsibilities, assist in making complex judgements and support their professional development	Practice Education I annual updates and	Facilitator (I visits to wa	Donna Irds o	a) pro n req	vides uest.
Is there a process to ensure triennial review of mentors/practice teachers?	Yes 🛭	] No			
Does the facility encourage, support and develop new mentors via a Mentorship Preparation Programme?	Yes 🗵	] No			
Please document any challenges to meeting the above	ve, including an Action	n Plan to ac	ddress	s thes	е
For practice learning environments where Mentors/Pravaluable practice learning experiences are accessed:			ut wh	ere	
	, and where students		ut wh	ere No	
In facilities where there are no mentors/practice teachers are not assessed, are there people who are prepared to see the control of the cont	, and where students		ut wh		
In facilities where there are no mentors/practice teachers are not assessed, are there people who are prepared to sthe particular practice learning experience?	, and where students supervise students fo	r Yes	ut wh		

# MAHI - STM - 102 - 10388 3.2 Policies/Guidelines Available in the Practice Learning Environment

Document	Yes/No	Paper	Intranet
Professional Code of Conduct	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Midwives Rules and Standards	Yes ☐ No 🗵		
Health and Safety	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Confidentiality	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Equal Opportunities	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Therapeutic Management of Violence and Aggression	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Infection Control	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Adult/ Child Protection	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Fire	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Moving and Handling	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Levels of Observation (Mental Health Services)	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Bullying, Harassment and Violence in the workplace	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Service Users right to decline being cared for by a student	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Raising and Escalating Concerns (Whistleblowing)	Yes ⊠ No □	$\boxtimes$	$\boxtimes$
Procedures for reporting accidents or incidents involving	Yes ⊠ No □	$\square$	$\boxtimes$
students to the University			
Other (please specify below)	Yes 🗌 No 🗌		

#### 3.3 Health and Safety Representative

Does the practice learning environment have a health and safety representative (please tick)?	Yes ⊠ No □
How does the practice learning environment ensure health and safety legislation is complied with?	By adhering to the most recent legislation, Trust policies and procedures, attending updates and mandatory training, use of Datix incident reporting, and by taking part in clinical audit.

#### 3.4 Quality Assurance and Governance Processes

•	Practice	provision	reflects a	a respect for	the rights o	of service users	and their	carers
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- Staff routinely use policies/guidelines to inform their practice
- Risk assessments are carried out regularly in relation to the practice area, staff and individual patients/clients
- The recommendations identified by the risk assessments are implemented and reviewed regularly
- Care provision is founded on relevant research or evidence based findings
- Care provision reflects national and local policies and initiatives
- A process is in place for raising and escalating concerns that is shared with AEIs
- A process is in place for reporting incidents that is shared with AEIs

In relation to the above are there any significant complaints or incidents that would indicate a problem (please tick)?	Yes 🗌	No 🗆
If Yes, please elaborate:		

What mechanisms are in place to quality assure nursing and mid	89 wifery care at Trust/Facility level?
Trust Quality Audits of patient/client care	Yes No
RQIA Quality Audits of patient client care	Yes No
Record Keeping Audit	Yes No
Patient Satisfaction Surveys	Yes No
Local Supervising Authority Annual Audit (Midwifery Only)	Yes No N/A
Other (please specify)	Yes No N/A

Please provide the evidence used to confirm best practice occurs in this learning environment. This should include quality assurance reports such as incident summary reports, quality inspection reports, internal audits, complaints, and patient satisfaction surveys. All available evidence should be acknowledged and the date of any report/publication documented.

Evidence	Date of Evidence				
RQIA	21/12/2016				
Monthly environment cleaning audit	Monthly				
Pharmacy audits	Quarterly and spot checks				
Senior Nurse Manager Monthly monitoring	Monthly				
Audit of care plans	Monthly				
In relation to the above are there any significant issues that would indicate an issue with this environment as a student learning experience?  Yes No S  Is <b>Yes</b> , please elaborate and detail action plan to address issues.					
Recommendations from last RQIA report regarding documentation and are being addressed by management, with assurances in place for important places and the second place for important places are being addressed by management, with assurances in place for important places.	•				

# 3.5 Additional Experiences

Students are able to gain experience of working with voluntary sector agencies (please tick)	Yes		No				
Please list those agencies with which experience can be gained							
3.6 Which Framework/Model is used for Assessment, Planning and Evaluat	3.6 Which Framework/Model is used for Assessment, Planning and Evaluation of care?						
Adapted version of Roper Logan and Tierney ADL framework, utilising a person ce	Adapted version of Roper Logan and Tierney ADL framework, utilising a person centred approach						

# 3.7 Learning Resources

Resource	Available	Not Available	Location of Availability e.g. Ward
Internet Access	$\boxtimes$		Office
Library Access	$\boxtimes$		On site library
Journals	$\boxtimes$		On site library and online
Teaching/Learning Packages	$\boxtimes$		Online
Student Orientation Pack	$\boxtimes$		Office
Policies and Procedures	$\boxtimes$		Office and online
National/Regional Protocols	$\boxtimes$		Online
Specialist Nursing Teams (please specify)	$\boxtimes$		ISS and ABS
Study Area	$\boxtimes$		Ward and library
University Lecturer Visits	$\boxtimes$		On request

# 3.8 Access to Multidisciplinary Team

Multidisciplinary Team	Yes/No	Comments
Medical	Yes ⊠ No □	Consultant Psychiatrist
Physiotherapy	Yes ⊠ No □	
Occupational Therapy	Yes ⊠ No □	
Dietician	Yes ⊠ No □	
Speech and Language Therapy	Yes ⊠ No □	
Social Worker	Yes ⊠ No □	
Podiatry	Yes ⊠ No □	
Other (please specify)		
	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	

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#### 3.9 Students Evaluation of Practice Learning Environment

(Students routinely complete an evaluation form at the end of each experience and salient information contained in this form should be recorded in the box below.)

Students are asked to complete an evaluation of the practice learning environment, on completion of placement. Feedback is shared with ward staff and QUB Link Lecturer when received.
Students of Nursing and Midwifery require cupernumerary status to maximize apportunities to access

Students of Nursing and Midwifery require supernumerary status to maximise opportunities to access available learning experiences. Does this environment actively protect and promote students' supernumerary status?

Yes ⊠ No □

#### 3.10 Staff Development

Practitioners are able to demonstrate that they engage in :						
Continuing Professional Development	Yes	$\boxtimes$	No			
Staff Appraisal Process	Yes	$\boxtimes$	No			
Supervision Policy	Yes	$\boxtimes$	No			
Mandatory Training Process	Yes	$\boxtimes$	No			
Annual Mentor/Sign-Off Mentor/Practice Teacher Updating	Yes	$\boxtimes$	No			
Other (please specify)	Yes		No			

Any "No" responses should be captured in an Action Plan.

## 4. STAFFING INFORMATION

# 4.1 Nurses Part of the Register

Lev	el 1 Sub-Part		Level 2 Sub-Part			
Field of Practice	Full Time	Part Time	Field of Practice	Full Time	Part Time	
Adult	0	0	Adult	0	0	
Mental Health	0	0	Mental Health	0	0	
Learning Disabilities	11	2	Learning Disabilities	0	0	
Children	0	0	Children	0	0	
Total Number	11	2		0	0	

# 4.2 Midwives Part of the Register

Field of Practice	Full Time	Part Time
Midwifery	0	0

# 4.3 Specialist Community Public Health Nurses Part of the Register

Field of Practice	Full Time	Part Time
Specialist Community Public Health Nursing - HV	0	0
Specialist Community Public Health Nursing - SN	0	0
Specialist Community Public Health Nursing - OH	0	0

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Qualification	Sub-Speciality	No.
Mode 1 Prescribing V100	0	0
Community Practitioner Nurse Prescriber V150	0	0
Extended Nurse Prescribing V200	0	0
Extended Supplementary Nursing Prescribing V300	0	0
Lecturer/Practice Educator LPE	0	0
Teacher TCH	0	0
Specialist Practitioner – Adult Nursing SPA	0	0
Specialist Practitioner – Mental Health Nursing SPMH	0	0
Specialist Practitioner – Learning Disability Nursing SPLD	0	0
Specialist Practitioner – Children's Nursing SPC	0	0
Specialist Practitioner – General Practice SPGP	0	0
Specialist Practitioner – Community Mental Health Nursing SCMN	0	0
Specialist Practitioner – Community Learning Disability Nursing SCLD	0	0
Specialist Practitioner – Community Children's Nursing SPCC	0	0
Supervisor of Midwives SOM	0	0

#### **DECLARATION OF APPROVAL** 5.

We declare that t environment:	this practice learning environment is	/ is not ☐ suitable as a practice learning	
Signed:		(Sister / Charge Nurse / Manager)	
Signed:		(University Lecturer)	
Signed:		(Practice Education Facilitator)	
Signed:		(Service User Advocate if applicable	e)
Date:			

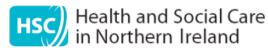
# 6. AGREED ACTION PLAN

(Duplicate as Necessary)

Agreed Action and Date f	Planned Date for Review		
Further to RQIA recommendations, the ward is improvements; aesthetically and managerial. T reviewed during and after placement by PEF are placement to be withdrawn, will be discussed as	Monthly		
Signature (Sister/Charge Nurse/Manager)		Date	
Signature University Lecturer		Date	
Signature Practice Education Facilitator			
Review of On review, the <u>original</u> of this form must be return Manager and a copy forwarded by the	of Action Plan ned to the appropriate U ne Manager to the Praction	niversity, a copy lee Education Tear	retained by the n.
Signature (Sister/Charge Nurse/Manager)		Date	
Signature University Lecturer		Date	
Signature Practice Education Facilitator		Date	







#### ADDENDUM FOR AMENDMENT TO EDUCATIONAL AUDIT FOR PRACTICE LEARNING

Name of Provider (eg Trust/Independer Sector) Site (eg Belfast City Hosp				
Ward/Unit/Locality				
Date of Addendum (Day, Month and Yea	nr)	two years audit)	ate (remains from full ad Year only)	
Please indicate what a	mendment has been n	nade to the Education		onale
Amendment to Audited Numbers	Max numbers of <b>Pre- Registration</b> students at any one time	Max number of <b>Post- Registration</b> students at any one time	7.00	<u> </u>
Amendment to Description of Practice Learning Environment				
Amendment to approval of area				
Extension to current audit (maximum extension period is 6 weeks)	Current Expiry Date	New Expiry Date		
Other				
	er the amendment is te	mporary or permanent	: Permanent	
Notes (if needed):				
Sister / Charge Nurse / Manager (Print Name)		Signature		Date
University Lecturer (Print Name):		Signature		Date
PEF ( Print Name)		Signature		Date

The <u>original</u> of this form must be returned to the appropriate University, a copy retained by the Manager and a copy forwarded by the Manager to the Practice Education Team.



## MAHI - STM - 102 - 10396 QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST

#### **SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY**

#### PRE-REGISTRATION PROGRAMME

# PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PRACTICE LEARNING EXPERIENCES (BY YEAR AND LOCATION) CAN BE UNDERTAKEN IN THIS AREA

	Year 1			Year 2	Year 3	
TNURSING	Hospital	☐ Caring for Adults requiring invasive interventions ☐ Caring for Adults requiring non-invasive interventions ☐ Caring for Adults with long term conditions ☐ Caring for Adults with complex health problems ☐ Caring for Older Adults ☐ Specialist Nurses Alternative Field Experience ☐ Children's ☐ Mental Health ☐ Learning Disability	Hospital	☐ Caring for Adults requiring invasive interventions ☐ Caring for Adults requiring non-invasive interventions ☐ Caring for Adults with long term conditions ☐ Caring for Adults with complex health problems ☐ Caring for Older Adults ☐ Specialist Nurses	Hospital	☐ Caring for Adults requiring invasive interventions ☐ Caring for Adults requiring non-invasive interventions ☐ Caring for Adults with long term conditions ☐ Caring for Adults with complex health problems ☐ Caring for Older Adults ☐ Specialist Nurses
ADULT	Community	Health & Wellbeing e.g. HV, Day Centres Primary Care Setting e.g. District Nursing Caring for Older Adults Non-NHS e.g G.P. Practices Nursing Home Specialist Nurses Alternative Field Experience Children's Mental Health Learning Disability	Community	Health & Wellbeing e.g. HV, Day Centres Primary Care Setting e.g. District Nursing Caring for Older Adults Non-NHS e.g G.P. Practices Nursing Home Specialist Nurses	Community	Health & Wellbeing e.g. HV, Day Centres Primary Care Setting e.g. District Nursing Caring for Older Adults Non-NHS e.g G.P. Practices Nursing Home Specialist Nurses

		Year 1	MAHI - S	TM - 102 - 10397 Year 2		Year 3
HEALTH NURSING		Caring for essential needs of users within Recovery Services  Caring for essential needs of Older Users of MH Services  Caring for essential needs of users with Complex MH Problems  Caring for essential needs of users of Inpatient MH Services  Caring for essential needs of users of Children and Young People  Alternative Field Experience  Children's ☐ Adult  Learning Disability	Hospital	Caring for essential needs of users within Recovery Services  Caring for essential needs of Older Users of MH Services  Caring for essential needs of users with Complex MH Problems  Caring for essential needs of users of Inpatient MH Services  Caring for essential needs of users of Children and Young People	☐ Hospital	Caring for essential needs of users within Recovery Services Caring for essential needs of Older Users of MH Services Caring for essential needs of users with Complex MH Problems Caring for essential needs of users of Inpatient MH Services Caring for essential needs of users of Children and Young People
MENTAL HEA	Community	<ul> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users within Primary MH Services</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users within Recovery Services</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of Older Users of MH Services</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users with Complex MH problems</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users of Children and Young People</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users of MH provision in voluntary or private sectors</li> <li>Alternative Field Experience</li> <li>□ Children's □ Adult □ Learning Disability</li> </ul>	Community	<ul> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users within Primary MH Services</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users within Recovery Services</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of Older Users of MH Services</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users with Complex MH problems</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users of Children and Young People</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users of MH provision in voluntary or private sectors</li> </ul>	☐ Community	<ul> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users within Primary MH Services</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users within Recovery Services</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of Older Users of MH Services</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users with Complex MH problems</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users of Children and Young People</li> <li>□ Caring for essential needs of users of MH provision in voluntary or private sectors</li> </ul>

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		Year 1		Year 2 10330		Year 3
	⊠ Nursing	□ Caring for Learning Disabilities individuals in specific nursing settings (AMN/Complex Needs)	☐ Hospital	Caring for Learning Disabilities individuals in specific assessment & treatment settings (Multiple complex needs/mental health needs/forensics/behaviour distress)	⊠ Hospital	Caring for Learning Disabilities individuals in specific assessment & treatment settings (Mulitple complex needs/mental health needs/forensics/behaviour distress)
LEARNING DISABILITY NURSING	Community  Nursing  Non-Nursing	<ul> <li>□ Caring for Learning Disabilities         Children/Adolescents in         family, educational, residential         &amp; short term settings         □ Caring for Learning Disabilities         Adults in family, residential,         independent &amp; supported         living settings         □ Caring for Learning Disabilities         Adults in vocational,         occupational &amp; recreational         settings         □ Caring for Older Adults with         Learning Disabilities         Alternative Field Experience         □ Children's □ Mental Health         □ Adult</li> </ul>	☐ Community  ☐ Nursing ☐ Non-Nursing	□ Caring for Learning Disabilities individuals requiring Community LD Nursing Services □ Caring for Learning Disabilities Children/Adolescents in family, educational, residential & short term settings □ Caring for Learning Disabilities Adults in family, residential, independent & supported living settings □ Caring for Learning Disabilities Adults in vocational, occupational & recreational settings □ Caring for Learning Disabilities individuals in specific treatment settings (Multiple complex needs/mental health needs/forensics/behaviour	☐ Community  ☐ Nursing ☐ Non-Nursing	☐ Caring for Learning Disabilities individuals requiring Community LD Nursing Services ☐ Caring for Learning Disabilities Children/Adolescents in family, educational, residential & short term settings ☐ Caring for Learning Disabilities Adults in family, residential, independent & supported living settings ☐ Caring for Learning Disabilities Adults in vocational, occupational & recreational settings ☐ Caring for Learning Disabilities individuals in specific treatment settings (Mulitple complex needs/mental health needs/forensics/behaviour
				distress)  Caring for Older Adults with Learning Disabilities		distress)  Caring for Older Adults with Learning Disabilities

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		Year 1		Year 2		Year 3
CHILDREN'S NURSING	☐ Hospital ☐ Community	□ Caring for Children/young people with complex needs and life limiting illness         □ Caring for Children/young people in critical care settings         □ Caring for Children/young people in short stay settings         □ Caring for Children/young people with LD/MH needs         □ Caring for Children/young people in acute settings         Alternative Field Experience         □ Adult □ Mental Health         □ Learning Disability         □ Caring for Children/young people with complex needs and life limiting illness         □ Caring for Children/young people in short stay settings         □ Caring for Children/young people with LD/MH needs         □ Caring for Children/young people requiring community nursing/non-nursing services         Alternative Field Experience         □ Adult □ Mental Health         □ Learning Disability	☐ Hospital ☐ Community	Caring for Children/young people with complex needs and life limiting illness  Caring for Children/young people in critical care settings  Caring for Children/young people in short stay settings  Caring for Children/young people with LD/MH needs  Caring for Children/young people in acute settings  Caring for Children/young people with complex needs and life limiting illness  Caring for Children/young people in short stay settings  Caring for Children/young people with LD/MH needs  Caring for Children/young people requiring community nursing services	☐ Hospital ☐ Community	<ul> <li>□ Caring for Children/young people with complex needs and life limiting illness</li> <li>□ Caring for Children/young people in critical care settings</li> <li>□ Caring for Children/young people in short stay settings</li> <li>□ Caring for Children/young people with LD/MH needs</li> <li>□ Caring for Children/young people in acute settings</li> <li>□ Caring for Children/young people with complex needs and life limiting illness</li> <li>□ Caring for Children/young people in short stay settings</li> <li>□ Caring for Children/young people with LD/MH needs</li> <li>□ Caring for Children/young people requiring community nursing services</li> </ul>





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# Practice Learning Environment Educational Audit Tool









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# **Practice Learning Environment Educational Audit Tool**

#### 1. Introduction

The purpose of this tool is to provide evidence that Practice Learning Environments (PLEs) have the capacity, facilities and resources in place, to deliver safe and effective learning opportunities and practical experience for students, as required to meet the NMC proficiencies for their programme of study. This should be collaboratively reviewed every two years to ensure the environment remains a sound educational setting for such learning to take place. For additional guidance, please read the Practice Learning Environment Education Audit Tool Guidance Document which is available on the NIPEC FNFM website.

# 2. Description and Contact Details

Name of Provider	Belfast Health and Social Care Trust				
Site/Service	Muckamore Abbey Hospit	al			
Ward/Unit/Team	Sixmile				
Site Address	1 Abbey Road		Postcode	BT41 4SH	
Date of Audit	13/06/2022	Review Date	30/06/202 4		
Hours of Service	24 hour 7 days a week		Client Capacity	13	
	anager/Registered Home Manager	Nominated Person			
Helen Ward		Helen Ward			
02895042143		02895042143			
helen.ward@belfas	sttrust.hscni.net	helen.ward@belfasttrust.hscni.net			
Practice Educa	ntion Facilitator (where	Link Lecturer/Practice Tutor			
Helen Crawford		Dr Lynne Marsh			
07810442668		02890975746			
helen.crawford@be	elfasttrust.hscni.net	I.marsh@qub.ac.uk			
Allocation Report	s should be emailed to:				
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#### a. Description of PLE

This is a low secure forensic regional learning disability unit with 8 beds in the Treatment unit and 5 in the Assessment unit (can increase to 19 beds dependent on service need). Provides a service for adult male patients, all of whom have a learning disability and most of whom have a forensic history. Some patients may also have co-existing mental health disorders. On admission patients usually present with complex psychiatric illness and/or persistently behaviours that challenge which have posed a clinical risk of harm to themselves or others. The unit offers a robust environment where potential violence and behaviours that challenge are safely managed with the patients. Patients within the unit are admitted for a period of assessment and treatment under the provisions of the Mental Health (NI) Order 1986 and would also fall under the remit of the Criminal Justice System or Department of Justice e.g. hospital orders, Sexual Offender Prevention Orders (SOPOS).

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Due to nature of the needs of patients in the assessment side the students will only work on the treatment side of the unit. This area provides care to 6 patients.

All students will wear an oversized HSC polo shirt whilst on placement. 2 oversized polo shirts will be provided by Sixmile on the students first day and must be returned to Sixmile when the student finishes placement

Students will rotate onto night shift and will also have the opportunity to work with the Out of Hours Coordinators

Learning opportunities available for all students include, though not restricted to:

Personal Care – encouraging patients to attend to their own personal care needs, whilst developing an awareness and appreciation for the patient's right to choice, dignity, privacy and autonomy.

Gaining insight and awareness of a plethora of diagnosed physical and mental health conditions and syndromes, such as Epilepsy, Bi-polar Disorder, Depression, Autism, Arthritis, Hypo/Hypertension, Hypothyroidism and Anaemia etc.

The opportunity to work with a broad multi-disciplinary and wider Interdisciplinary roles/teams: Psychologist, Psychiatrist, Medical Officer, Podiatrist, Dentist, Behavioural Nurse Therapist, Dietician, Social Worker, Speech Therapist, DOJ and Occupational Therapist.

The opportunity to develop assessment, care planning/implementation, referral and evaluation skills including risk Assessment and risk Management

Involvement in Purposeful Inpatient Admissions (PIPA), case conferences, resettlement meetings, formulation meetings and therapeutic meetings

Supporting patients who present with behaviours that challenge through the use of positive behaviour support

Developing an awareness of local and regional policies and adhering to relevant legislation for example Personal Safety Interventions, Vulnerable Adults policy, referral and management of same.

Working with patients and families to promote all aspects of physical and mental health – dietary advice, devising exercise plans and interacting with keyworkers.

The opportunity to hone communication skills; verbal, written, electronic, with other professionals and also patient's families, whilst also having exposure to and opportunity to develop a range of communication skills used with patients; verbal, non-verbal, body language, facial expressions, cues, gestures, Makaton, signs and symbols.

Knowledge and skills in record keeping – written and electronic (PARIS Datix incident reporting), using NMC guidance



#### Application of safe moving and handling techniques

Involvement in activities with patients, including (but not limited to): cookery, arts and crafts, music, communication skill development and graded community exposure.

Opportunity to work with patients and families, multidisciplinary team and external agencies in relation to discharging planning and resettlement processes

Awareness of allocation of resources including safe staffing models

Awareness and application of infection control policies and environmental cleanliness/safety

Develop an understanding of the need for consent, choice, dignity, respect, privacy and confidentiality of patients and their families/carers

Awareness of links to other agencies for example Department of Justice

Supporting patients with their Nutritional and dietary needs

Awareness and application of medication management and Trust Medicine Code – liaising with hospital Pharmacist and exposure to a broad range of prescription medications, ordering Pharmacy stock/non-stock items. Working within the scope of practice as a student nurse

Awareness of and experience with the Mental Health Order NI (1986), Mental Capacity Act (2016)

Awareness and application of Low Secure Unit Security policy, to include knowledge of Search, restricted items, deprivation of liberty.

Annexe B procedures that are NOT available:

- 2.2 undertake cannulation and venous blood gases
- 2.4 manage and monitor blood component transfusions
- 2.5 manage and interpret cardiac monitors, infusion pumps and other monitoring devices
- 3.2 use appropriate bed-making techniques including those required for people who are unconscious or who have limited mobility
- 4.7 use aseptic techniques when managing wound and drainage processes
- 5.6 insert, manage and remove oral/nasal/gastric tubes
- 5.7 manage artificial nutrition and hydration using enteral and parenteral routes
- 5.8 manage the administration of IV fluids
- 5.9 manage fluid and nutritional infusion pumps and devices
- 6.2 insert, manage and remove catheters for all genders; and assist with self-catheterisation when required
- 6.3 manage bladder drainage
- 6.5 administer enemas and suppositories and undertake rectal examination and manual evacuation when appropriate
- 6.6 Undertake stoma care identifying and using appropriate products and approaches



- 9.9 safely assess and manage invasive medical devices and lines
- 10.4 understand and apply organ and tissue donation protocols
- 11.1 carry out initial and continued assessments of people receiving care and their ability to self-administer their own medications
- 11.7 administer injections intravenous routes
- 11.8 administer medications using a range of routes no intravenous route
- 11.9 administer and monitor medications using vascular access devices and enteral equipment

Annexe B procedures that are LIMITED:

- 2.8 undertake chest auscultation and interpret findings only with Dr and physio
- 2.17 providing appropriate safe holding and restraint Observation of holding and restraint only
- 4.6 use aseptic techniques when undertaking wound care including dressings, pressure bandaging, suture removal, and vacuum closures
- 8.5 manage inhalation, humidifier and nebuliser devices

b.	This environment actively protects students as supernumerary.	Yes
C.	A current student orientation pack is available.	Yes
d.	Optimum number of pre-registration students this PLE can facilitate, including Return to Practice Students. Due to the nature of the patients presenting with extreme sexual and violent behaviours the preference would be for 2 <sup>nd</sup> year students onwards	2
e.	Please confirm if environment is Hub (i.e. where practice assessors are available for assessment) or Spoke (i.e. where there are only practice supervisors available)	Hub

#### 3. Supervision and Assessment Capacity

Numb	ber of:		Part- Time	Full-Time	Total WTE
a.	Practic	e Supervisors	Number	Number	Number
b.	Practic	e Assessors – Pre-registration programmes			
	a.	Adult □	Number	Number	Number
	b.	Mental Health □	Number	Number	Number
	C.	Learning Disability ⊠	Number	3.0	3.0
	d.	Children's □	Number	Number	Number
	e.	Midwifery □	Number	Number	Number
C.	Practic	e Assessors – SPQ			
	a.	Adult □	Number	Number	Number
	b.	Mental Health □	Number	Number	Number
	C.	Learning Disability □	Number	Number	Number
	d.	Children's □	Number	Number	Number
d.	Practic	e Assessors – SCPHN			
	a.	Health Visitor □	Number	Number	Number
	b.	Occupational Health Nurse	Number	Number	Number
	c.	School Nurse	Number	Number	Number
e.	Practic	e Assessor – Other (please specify):	Number	Number	Number
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In exceptional circumstances the same person may fulfil the role of the Practice Supervisor and Practice Assessor for example, in NMP, SPQ or SCPHN. State rationale here if this applies: Provide Rationale

# 4. Quality Assurance of PLE

	a. Have students' evaluation of PLE been reviewed, and action taken where required? Sept 19 PL7 13/9/21 – 24/10/21 I found this placement very difficult due to the nature of the environment and the staff made the experience do-able with their approaches skills and knowledge. They made me feel welcome from the first day and supported my learning in everyway	Yes
b.	learning experience? If Yes, please elaborate and detail in action plan to address issues:  Provide comments	No
C.	students' learning experience? If Yes, please elaborate and detail in action plan to address issues: Provide comments	No
d.	Are all relevant risk assessments undertaken and current in the PLE and corroborated at time of audit?	Yes
e.	Are there any quality initiatives on-going in the PLE - verify and detail below: Medication ordering and delivery system update Patient Experience Audits Hand Hygiene Audits Mattress Audits Documentation Audits	Yes

# 5. NMC programme Standards

Identify the rang	a of ovnorionesa	and laborated at the second		
Identify the range of experiences available to students within the PLE, selecting as many boxes as apply. This PLE can support students' learning to meet:				
	MC Standards fo	or Pre-registration I	Nursing	NMC Standards for
☐ Adult	☐ Mental Health	Children's	☑ Learning	Pre-registration Midwifery
□ Older	☐ Older	☐ Acute	Disabilities	
Adults	adults with	☐ Acute (medical or/&	Community	☐ Antenatal
☐ Health	addite With   (illedica		Children and/or	☐ Intra-natal
Visiting	health	Adult	☐ Postnatal	
☐ District/	☐ Children	☐ Community Children's with	☐ 24 hour	☐ Community
Community	and Young	Hub & Spoke:	supported care ☐ Children's	☐ Neonatal
Nursing	People	mental health	CYP Acute or	☐ Adult
☐ Surgical	☐ Acute	□ Specialist	Community	Medical/Surgical
☐ Care of the	adult	area placement	✓ Acute adult	Experience 4
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hospital /community  LD Experience MH Experience	Hospital/Acute Care Home LD Experience	and/or Experience ☐ Health visiting Experience ☐ LD Experience	Hospital/Acute Care Home Experience □ MH Experience	entry students only
NMC Standards for Post-registration Nursing or Midwifery				
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NMC Standards for Specialist Community Public Health Nurses				
☐ NMCS	☐ NMC Standards for Specialist Practice Qualification*			
☐ NMC Standards for Prescribing Programmes, please tick ☐ V100/150* ☐			′100/150* LJ	
V300*				
*please ensure one of these boxes is ticked if including SPQ District Nursing				
6. Declaration of	Approval			
Outcome of Audi	it: We declare the	at this PLE has 🗹	does not have	the
canacity facilitie	s and resources	in place to deliver	safe and effective	learning
capacity, facilities and resources in place to deliver safe and effective learning opportunities and practical experience for students. An action plan is Select action			Select action	

opportunities and practic	al experie	nce for stude	ents. An acti	on pian is	select action
Paul Magowan (ASM)	Practice	Area Manag	er/Nominate	d Person	
Lynne Marsh	AEI Representative/Link Lecturer/Practice Tutor			r	
Helen Crawford	Practice Education Facilitator (where applicable)				
Action Plan (if required)					
Agreed Action/s: ASM to complete PA/PS Training by: by:				Review Due by: 30/09/2022	
To be completed on Action Plan Review Date					
Reviewed by: Name and position of Reviewed	ewer	Reviewed	Outcome: Select outco	me.	

#### Amendments to Audited PLE

Name and position of Reviewer

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Statement that "Due to the nature of the behaviours sometimes presented by patients in the Assessment unit, students may not be allocated to work in this area. This is dependent on the risk presented at that time and it is continually reviewed" removed and changed to "Due to nature of the needs of patients in the assessment side the students will only work on the treatment side of the unit. This area provides care to 6 patients".

on: Enter

date.

Amendment to description to include "All students will wear an oversized HSC polo shirt whilst on placement. 2 oversized polo shirts will be provided by Sixmile on the students first day and must be returned to Sixmile when the student finishes placement"

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Reviewed by:Helen Crawford Practice Education Facilitator	Amended on: 23/08/2022	Shared with: Helen Ward Manager Lynne Marsh Link Lecturer AEIs clinical allocations
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## Amendments to Audited PLE

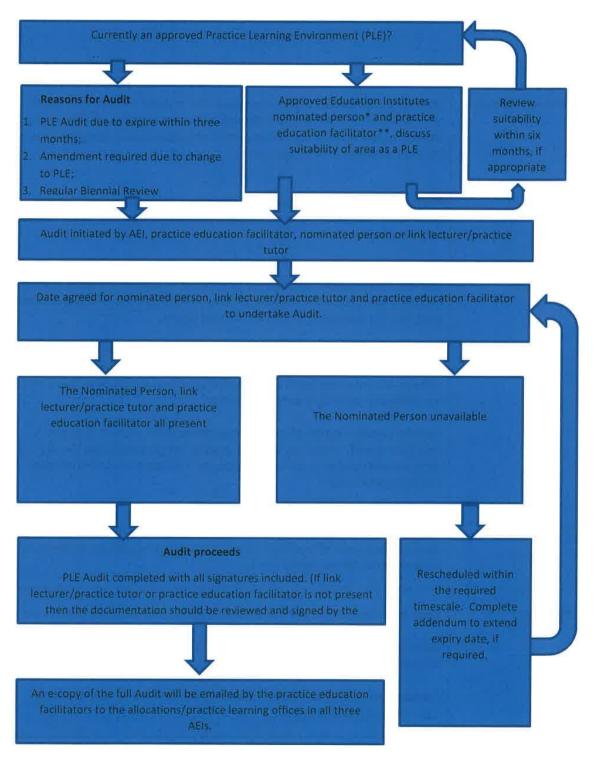
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# Appendix One: Undertaking an Audit - Flow Chart



Nominated person is the ward sister, charge nurse, team leader, registered home manager, or designated person.

Practice education facilitator involvement only where applicable/relevant.



# Sample QUB Student Evaluations between March – July 22

Placement Area	Student comments
Behavioural Services	Learning Opportunities My practice supervisor ensured I was able to spend time on the ward to achieve any learning outcomes on my epad. They also ensured to practice and improve my communication skills by bringing me to MDT's and outings with service users.
	Positive contributions to placement experience Allowed time with service users -given tasks that was a new experience -worked around my portfolio to help me achieve it
Cranfield 2	<b>Learning Opportunities</b> Allowed me to come up with plans and goals to achieve that went alongside what I needed to complete on my EPAD Any additional opportunities that came up they let me take part in.
	Part of the Team I was given jobs to do throughout the day by all staff member, being treated equally to all the others working They also placed my name on the rota sheet each day (as supernumerary) but let other know that I was there and working as part of the team.
	Positive contributions to placement experience Good support from all members of staff Ensuring that i got enough breaks throughout the day - If the ward was quiet with no learning that day, I was able to use the office to complete NIPAD wor
	Satisfaction/ comments I thoroughly enjoyed this practice learning experience.  - The staff there were very supportive and always looking for opportunities for me to complete and asking me if I wanted to take part in various things or sit in for team meetings during the weeks.
Cranfield 2	Ward Induction Ward sister had planned a really good induction to the ward.
	Learning Opportunities My favourite placement to date and the placement I believe I have learnt the most.
	Satisfaction/ comments I really enjoyed my placement and would love the opportunity to go back again.
Cranfield 2	Positive contributions to placement experience Friendly staff team who made effort to make you feel welcome and to provide learning experiences. Wider MDT involvement in learning student sessions.



	Satisfaction/ comments Overall, I was very satisfied with the quality of this placement. I feel the current media attention of MAH could have made being there more difficult, however, the team were amazing and gave much needed reassurance about the current situation, answering any of our questions. Staff put so much effort into ensuring we were meeting out learning points and ensuring our safety. Something that I found very beneficial was the knowledge and experience of a newly qualified nurse who took a post in Cranfield 2 last year. She was an outstanding nurse and made me feel at complete ease as I was very nervous about this placement.
Cranfield 2	Learning Opportunities My PA and PS regularly ensured I was meeting my learning experience needs, they done so by having regular informal meetings with me and when completing my weekly learning logs. They also liaised with members of the MDT to organise my further learning opportunities.
	Positive contributions to placement experience Great welcoming team, an abundance of learning opportunities, PA and PS regularly checking in with students to see how they are getting on. Excellent support and encouragement given. Overall I had an amazing time on my management placement on CF2, I learned so much. The staff are an amazing team and they welcomed me from day one. I just want to say thank you to them all for making my management placement very special.
	<b>Satisfaction/ comments</b> It is an excellent placement that students will be lucky to experience.
Donegore	Ward Induction My practice assessor was not in on my first or second shift to complete my initial discussion, however it was completed within my first week.
	<b>Learning Opportunities</b> My practice supervisor helped arrange for me to work alongside members of the MDT in order to gain an awareness of their contribution in an LD hospital setting.
	<b>Positive contributions to placement experience</b> Staff were always helping me to seek out positive learning experiences -I had the opportunity to build therapeutic relationships with the patients on the ward.
Donegore	Learning Opportunities: If they were attending meetings they invited me to come, planned for me to meet with different MDT members.
	Part of the Team I have answered yes, however, this took some time. At the start of the placement I found this a challenge.
	Positive contributions to placement experience Supportive PS PA was very helpful and provided me with many opportunities and tasks to complete.



Satisfaction/ comments This was my first inpatient experience so I feel I got a
good learning experience, however if I has of been in this setting before, I feel I
would not have learnt much. Due to patients presenting as challenging and
high risk behaviours there was limited interaction with 3/6 patients.
This ward is extremely short staffed which affected my learning. I found it
hard to get time with PS/PA to get NIPAD signed off however, in the end we did
get everything signed off.

#### Sixmile

**Ward Induction I** got an induction pack on the ward to go through and I was given a pass and keys. I was made aware of the patients backgrounds. I was not told I couldn't share info about myself with the patients and I wasn't told I couldn't be alone with them for even a conversation which was brought up at a later date. I think this needs explicit inducted for students attending this placement in future to promote safety.

**Learning Opportunities**: Myself and other students actively sought out learning opportunities. We were made aware of what was available on the ward but opportunities weren't made available and we had to make those opportunities ourselves.

Part of the Team Majority of the team were very welcoming and lovely. Agency staff especially were excellent. Some staff were unprofessional whilst I attended this placement in which they developed a gossipy and clicky environment.

**Positive contributions to placement experience**. I was heavily supported by most staff and especially my PA who was excellent and extensively tried to make opportunities within the ward for me. My tutors at QUB were very supportive and were always on hand when I needed support. The meetings we had with Theresa Greene were so supportive and positive and like group therapy which really helped me and I think would be great for future students also.

**Satisfaction/ comments** It was a good experience overall. Majority of staff were welcoming and supportive. A lot of opportunities to work in MDT.





#### Student experiences in Muckamore 14<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 Level 3 MBC

#### **Notes of Meeting**

#### Welcome and apologies

#### In attendance;

Mrs Carol Chambers, Lead Nurse, Practice Education Coordinator (PEC)

Ms Helen Crawford, Practice Education Facilitator, (PEF)

Dr Lynne Marsh, Senior Lecturer, Professional Lead for Learning Disabilities.

#### **Apologies:**

Ms Moira Mannion, Deputy Director of Nursing, Workforce, Education, Regulation and Informatics Mr Seamus Coyle, Nursing Development Lead (NDL)

#### 1. Overview of placements, placement capacity

- a. Students have reported gaining invaluable management experiences from very supportive staff in Muckamore and overall are learning so much while on placement. However, some voiced worries regarding low levels of staffing.
- b. Their concerns were escalated to Mrs Moira Mannion who addressed the concerns in an email providing much reassurance.
  - E roster monthly roster is in place for several years.
  - This is reviewed by the senior leaders on site, on a weekly basis and if required due to temporary absence by staff who are unfit for duty daily with alternative arrangements facilitated either by staff movement on site or from the Trust bank.
  - Presently we have a contract with external agency staff who have been working in the teams over the last nine months, these staff are highly skilled and work integral in the teams.

Notes prepared by Lynne Marsh 16<sup>th</sup> of May 2019





- > Vacancies are out to recruitment with an open file, the open day for the Trust is this Saturday.
- ➤ We have a live governance meeting each week, with a weekly report to the executive team, the MDT team meeting take place weekly with included review of observations required by each patient inclusive of day care needs.
- Finally, the Trust are highly committed to the NMC standards for our future nurses and the NMC. The 15/16 management placements for the learning disability students, would have been reviewed and if assessed necessary reduced should there have been a concern about a staffing, that would impact on the students learning experience and the achievement of their set learning objectives.

#### 2. Student supports

Continuous student supports available; PEC, Link Lecturer, Mentors, ward managers etc.

#### 3. Orientation and induction plans for the coming year (all mandatory sessions)

- a. Learning disability students
  - Placement 1, 2 & 3; Attend a formalised 2-hour welcome and orientation meeting facilitated by the PEC team on their day of placement in as far as possible.
  - Placement 4 & 5; Full day induction for second years from November 2019 onwards prior to placement 4 & 5. Date for 2019 is November 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - We will also have to revise this being mindful that placement timing may change with the new curriculum in 2020. It is anticipated that this will be a joint Trust initiative and not just a Muckamore induction. Although Muckamore will lead it.
- Placement 9- Management Students. Attend a formalised 2-hour welcome and orientation meeting facilitated by the PEC team on their day of placement in as far as possible.
- c. Placement 6; Attend a formalised 2-hour welcome and orientation meeting facilitated by the PEC team on their day of placement in as far as possible.
- d. Other fields of students- Attend a formalised 2-hour welcome and orientation meeting facilitated by the PEC team on their day of placement in as far as possible.





Placement 1 and placement 9 students will all receive a formalised 2-hour orientation meeting facilitated by the Practice Education Team.

From November 19, all second year students will receive a formalised full day induction on the Muckamore site. This has been scheduled for the 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and will continue each November on subsequent years. It is anticipated that this will be a joint Trust initiative and not just a Muckamore induction, although Muckamore will lead it. A database will be held by the Practice Education Team to record the students that have attended.

The Practice Education Team will facilitate a formalised 2 hour orientation meeting for any student that is on placement in Muckamore and who have not attended the formalised full day induction. This will include placement 2 and 3 learning disability students and alternative field students.

#### 4. In Place evaluations

no report received to date re Muckamore- Carol will follow up on this.

#### 5. Educational audits-

Some areas are due to be audited. Helen will confirm which ones and the dates for same.

#### **AOB**

a. Ward managers meeting- this was scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> of May at 10am. Helen and Lynne arrived but the meeting was cancelled. This will have to be rescheduled. Helen to request a meeting with Breige Connery, Operational Manager as this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> time the ward managers meeting has been cancelled.





# Actions from meetings;

Details of Action	Actioned	Actioned Completed
	by:	
Behavioural Services and Cranfield student capacity	All	Ongoing
to reviewed in July 2019		
Seamus is collating a report from the 3 inductions to	Seamus	Ongoing
date and will provide the rationale for changes that		
have been discussed going forward based on		
student evaluations.		
LD nursing students in principal to attend	Seamus	Ongoing-
Muckamore for full day induction in May each year.	Helen	11 <sup>th</sup> of November 2019
Agenda for induction to be developed		agreed for this induction
Placement 1 and Placement 9 orientation meeting	Helen	Completed
dates and agenda confirmed		
In Place evaluations- not received yet	Carol	Ongoing
Educational audits- areas due for auditing to be	Helen	Ongoing
confirmed		Moyola Day Care due by end of Sept 19
		Cranfield 1, Cranfield 2 and Sixmile are due by end of Nov 19

Next meeting date and time; June 25<sup>th</sup> at 14:30.





# Partnership meetings Muckamore & QUB Microsoft Teams Meeting, 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021 @ 10.00 hrs Notes of Meeting

#### In attendance

Ms Helen Crawford, Practice Education Facilitator, (PEF)

Dr Lynne Marsh, Senior Lecturer, Learning Disabilities Nursing

Mrs Patricia McKinney, Divisional Nurse, Muckamore Abbey Hospital

Mrs Carol Chambers, Lead Nurse, Practice Education Coordinator (PEC)

Mrs Kelly Anderson, Nurse Development Lead

Siobhan Bradley, Practice Education Facilitator, (PEF)

# **Apologies**

None

Minutes from 29th of June, 2021 agreed and ratified

**Congratulations:** We wish to congratulate Mrs Trisha McKinney on her recent appointment and thank her for her engagement with this partnership. Your support has been greatly welcomed and appreciated and the best of luck in your new post.

#### Overview of placements, placement capacity

Muckamore can currently facilitate up to  $\underline{11}$  students across the years and fields. This is constantly under review. More recently, 15 students were being facilitated.

# **Student supports**

- > Students continue to have the support of ward managers, senior management, practice assessors, practice supervisors, nurse development lead, practice education team and link lecturer.
- > Continue to utilise the action plan to support students and use it across wards rather than just Erne as part of the student induction process for all placement 9 students.





# Orientation and induction plans for the coming year (all mandatory sessions)

- Muckamore Induction day scheduled for the 11<sup>th</sup> of October, 2021 for 2<sup>nd</sup> years. Given the Covid situation, this will remain on Teams and Lynne to set up the meeting invite. Helen to share the details of the guest speakers and the agenda for the day prior to the 11<sup>th</sup> of October.
- > The plan is for this induction to be completed prior to students attending Placement 4 rather than placement 5.
- > Lynne to develop and share the Teams evaluation prior to the induction.

#### **Placement evaluation**

Continue to encourage all students to evaluate their placement via InPlace.

#### **Audits**

> This remains a standing item and audits are being completed as required.

#### **Student evaluations**

InPlace evaluations have not been shared recently with the Trust. Carol will follow up on this and share with the team.

# Allocating pregnant students to Muckamore.

- As part of a recent audit of Donegore, a discussion occurred in relation to allocation of pregnant students. There were concerns raised that students were at risk of injury when pregnant and that the allocations would need to be reviewed and would the inclusion of placement not suitable for pregnant student be appropriate. It was deemed necessary to bring this to this committee.
- > The current support mechanism is that a pregnancy risk assessment is required to be carried out by the Trust once aware of the student's pregnancy status.
- After much discussion, it was agreed that this process remains in place and will be reviewed on an individual basis and risk assessed as per the partnership agreement.
- > An addendum will be added to the Donegore audit to retract this statement and this will be kept under review.





# 'Process for raising concerns' guidance (Traffic light system)

> This has been retitled as 'Process for raising concerns' and was shared and discussed with this team. Next step is for Lynne to bring it to the Education committee for discussion and wider sharing.

# **Identifying additional placement opportunities**

- A discussion was held in relation to identifying more learning disability student placements. All Trusts including the Belfast Trust have been tasked with developing more placement opportunities for students across sites given the increasing demands for quality learning placement environments. Siobhan has identified some additional placement opportunities, some of which do not have a Registered Nurse full time on site and Practice Assessors need also to be identified. There were a range of diverse views heard.
  - O While it is a great opportunity to develop and grow these placements, Lynne as an RNLD reminded the members was that we do not want to be in a position that the learning disability student nurses' placements become diluted and they will be unable to gain the relevant learning experiences if they are consistently placed in non-nurse led placements. Lynne did agree that these would be very valuable as elective placements for out of field students.
  - Kelly as an RNLD was of the view that these were beneficial opportunities and there
     was merit in pursuing these placements for the learning disability students.
  - Helen and Siobhan agreed that there was merit in developing these placement opportunities across fields.
  - Trish also favoured these placement being developed and was keen to develop community placements as well.
  - The lack of PA's would need to be addressed as a key point in allocating students to non-nurse placements.
  - o Siobhan will continue to scope and audit these additional placements





# Actions from this meeting;

Details of Action	Actioned by:	Actioned Completed
Plan for Muckamore Induction on the 11 <sup>th</sup>	K Anderson	Agreed for this to go on
October.	H Crawford	Teams
	L Marsh	Evaluations to be shared at
		the next available
		opportunity
Student evaluations of induction	K Anderson	Evaluations to be shared at
	H Crawford	the next available
		opportunity
Audits	H Crawford	Ongoing
	L Marsh	
'Process for raising concerns' guidance	L Marsh	Education committee
Student InPlace Evaluations	C Chambers	Ongoing

Date of next meeting: 15th of November, 2021





# OPEN UNIVERSITY (BSc HONS, NURSING) and BELFAST HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE TRUST, PRACTICE PROGRESS MEETINGS, TERMS OF REFERENCE

COMMITTEE	BHSCT/OU Practice Link meeting		
PURPOSE	<ul> <li>To provide a forum to:</li> <li>To regularly review the BHSCT employees/OU nursing students on the OU, BSc (Hons) nursing programme</li> <li>To identify nursing students with academic or practice issues</li> <li>To review the practice learning placement allocation process and forward plan allocations prior to the AEI mapping meetings</li> <li>To review recruitment and selection process</li> <li>Actively promote an integrated agenda and agree actions</li> <li>Chair/ Facilitator</li> <li>Rotate between AEI and Practice</li> <li>Membership:</li> <li>Donna Gallagher: Senior Lecturer in Nursing OU Evelyn Mooney: Interim professional lead OU Una St-Ledger &amp; Mary Findon-Henry: OU (nursing) Staff Tutors Keri Finlay and Lina Furnell: OU faculty coordinators Carol Chambers: Lead Nurse, Practice Education Coordinator Clare O'Hara &amp; Helen Crawford: Practice Education Facilitators (PEF) from OU workstream</li> <li>In attendance:</li> <li>Invite others as agreed by group e.g., practice tutors, other PEF's, OU students, BHSCT managers</li> </ul>		
	File Note: OU student progress template which will be added to the BHSCT SharePoint site		
Agenda	<ul> <li>Review of all BHSCT/OU student nursing cohorts</li> <li>Student Progress Issues</li> <li>Placement Allocation Process</li> <li>Recruitment &amp; Selection</li> <li>AOB</li> </ul>		
AUTHORITY	Information sharing		

Reviewed 19/04/2022, next review September 2022

	<u> MAHI - STM - 102 - 10421</u>		
	To agree and implement agreed actions required to ensure a		
	quality learning environment.		
MEETINGS	Quorum		
	Minimum of 3		
	Frequency of Meetings:		
	4 times per year		
	4 tilles per year		
	Demore		
	Papers		
	OU nursing student progress template will be shared with		
	BHSCT practice education team and updated at each meeting.		
	Time		
	2 hours		
	Venue		
	BHSCT or OU (either face to face or on-line)		
REPORTING	To:		
INEI OINTING	Lead Nurse, Practice Education Coordinator		
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001111011	Professional lead (nursing) OU		
CONFLICT/	None noted.		
DECLARATION			
OF INTEREST			
REVIEW	Jan 2023		

# Open University/Belfast Health and Social Care Trust Progress Meeting

Date 14/04/2022

**Purpose:** To discuss and agree a forward risk plan for, three, Part 1, OU nursing students/subject to BHSCT Protection Plan, and progression to Part 2 of the Open University, BSc (Hons) nursing programme

#### **Attendees**

Sheelagh O Connor Belfast Health and Social Care Trust (Divisional Nurse)
Carol Chambers Belfast Health and Social Care Trust (Lead Nurse, Practice Education Co-ordinator)
Helen Crawford Belfast Health and Social Care Trust (Practice Education Facilitator)
Evelyn Mooney Open University (Lecturer in Nursing, Professional Lead Nursing NI Interim)
Mary Findon-Henry Open University (Staff Tutor)

#### Agreed Plan.

Following OU publication of, end of Part 1, progression to Part 2 programme results 27<sup>th</sup> April 2022, agree a one-off meeting with each nursing student, face to face, possible venue Muckamore Abbey Hospital, with OU Staff Tutor, and BHSCT Practice Education Team representative/s

ACTION: Sheelagh and Carol to agree BHSCT representative/s meeting date/venue.

Purpose for the meeting, to rationalise the BHSCT Protection Plan, with student nurse's professional support, supervision, and assessment, for progression to Part 2 of the OU/BSc Hons nursing programme.

To clarify possible delay in co-qualification lead/programme lead, OU nursing, endorsing eligibility for NMC registration on successful completion of the BSc (Hons) nursing programme if the MAH inquiry has not reached a conclusion

**ACTION:** OU to formally put in writing the outcome of the meeting/s with each of the nursing student's, outlining discussion with key points on OU position with respect to progression

# Continue Open University/Belfast Health and Social Care Trust nursing partnership monitoring

- Regional, practice learning placement educational audit, practice learning placement mapping, allocation, student support, supervision, and assessment.
- Three monthly progress meetings with BHSCT Practice Education Team and OU Staff Tutor/s
- Practice Tutor monthly reports on student progress



# Risk Assessment: potential compromise to learning environment

**OU Nation or Locality and area: Ireland** 

Risk assessor name: Claire McGuigan

Job title: Staff Tutor for Nursing, School of Health Wellbeing & Social Care

Date of assessment: 06/08/2018

**Employer Link: Elish Macdougall; Senior Manager for Education** 

**Employer Organisation: Belfast Health & Social Care Trust** 

Risk	Comment
Learning environment issue	Request received from the Nursing and Midwifery Council on 01/08/2018 to report on the safety of the practice-learning environment for students placed at Muckamore Abbey Hospital, managed by Belfast Health and Social Care Trust.
Title of organisation	A BBC news report of 26/07/2018 cited in the NMC request for information stated:
Belfast Health & Social Care Trust (BHSCT) Muckamore Abbey Hospital	"An adult safeguarding investigation was initiated in September 2017 following reports of inappropriate behaviour and the alleged physical abuse of patients by staff in two wards in the hospital - one of which was the Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit."
	On 3 <sup>rd</sup> August 2018, Brenda Creaney, Executive Director of Nursing, Belfast Health & Social Care Trust provided assurance to The Open University that there is only one area under review following Safe guarding allegations and confirmed that it is Cranfield Intensive Care Unit (ICU).
	On 7 <sup>th</sup> August 2018, The Open University was advised by the Senior Manager Nursing Education, Regulation and Informatics, Elish MacDougall, at BHSCT that Cranfield ICU had been temporarily withdrawn as a practice placement area. This is due to reduced mentor capacity. An action plan has been put in place to address this and the practice area will be re-audited prior to allocation of students.

Updated December , 2018

# Date that the Open University became aware of the issue

The Open University became aware of the issue when cited in the media and upon receiving email from NMC dated 1 August 2018.

There are no Open University nursing students on placement in the unit or due to go to the unit at this time.

# Is there evidence of ongoing learning environment issue(s)?

There are ten practice-learning environments available at Muckamore Abbey Hospital with the capacity to support 23 students at any one time.

Nine of these practice-learning environments are not used by The Open University, as they are specific to students studying learning disability nursing.

The one practice learning environment is available to The Open University at Muckamore Abbey Hospital that is:

• Moyola Day Centre

The Open University allocated one student to Moyola Day Centre during January and February 2018.

This student's end of practice learning evaluation states that "this is an excellent practice placement with great staff that offers a very good and person centred day care package that benefits patients with learning disabilities to improve their recovery. The staffing levels are of a great ratio to promote a holistic approach to a person's care; and it is a great place to showcase how efficient management can directly impact the great quality of care provided by staff". (Open University Feb 2018)

Students from The Open University have not escalated any concerns regarding their practice-learning environment at Moyola Day Centre, Muckamore Abbey Hospital.

Practice Tutors from The Open University have not escalated any concerns regarding the quality of any practice learning environment at Moyola Day Centre, Muckamore Abbey Hospital.

# Implications for a quality learning environment and experience

A student, due to commence the BSc (Hons) Mental Health Nursing qualification in September 2018 is employed on Cranfield ICU as a healthcare support worker.

The Open University pre-registration nursing programme is delivered flexibly enabling health care support workers to continue working part-time in their substantive role whilst studying. The student will continue to work on Cranfield ICU as a healthcare support worker. All of the student's mental health nursing practice experiences will be undertaken in mental health nursing audited environments across BHSCT and not at Muckamore Abbey Hospital.

Currently, there is not a learning-disability pathway in the Open University pre-registration nursing programme.

It is not anticipated that students from the Open University will be allocated to Muckamore Abbey Hospital prior to October, 2018. Students are allocated in partnership with the BHSCT Education Team and robust processes are in place to provide assurance on the quality of the learning environment prior to allocation.

The Open University will plan Exposure Placements for the preregistration nursing students in October 2018 for placements commencing January 2019.

# Is there a potential risk?

In terms of the practice placement at Muckamore Abbey Hospital previously accessed by The Open University:

1] There is no identified risk at Moyola Day Centre.

The Open University will continue to work closely with the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust using the current robust processes to mitigate any potential risk.

# Outcome of Risk Assessment in relation to OU students

Level of Risk	Yes	No
No risk		
Minimal risk	✓	
Significant risk		
	No students are currently in	
How is the risk being managed?	practice at Muckamore Abbey	
	Hospital.	

If there is significant risk the following actions should be taken where appropriate and the date the action was completed recorded.

Review date: 24th September 2018

Name of Risk Assessor: Claire McGuigan

Signature of Risk Assessor: CMCGuígan

Job title of Risk Assessor: Staff Tutor

Date: 08.08.2018 CC: Employer

# Review: Friday 21st September 2018

- Follow up meetings in person and via phone have taken place between Donna Gallagher, Senior Lecturer Nursing and Executive Director of Nursing Brenda Creaney, Deputy Director Moira Mannion, and Senior Manager for Education, Workforce and Informatics Elish MacDougall.
- Liaison continues with Queen's University Belfast and University of Ulster.
- The outcome from the current safeguarding investigation is awaited. The final report of the expert panel is due with the Board of the Trust by end of September.
- On 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 a nursing assistant whose substantive employment is on Cranfield PICU commenced the Open University BSc (Hons) Mental Health Nursing. Three other OU nursing students, at various stages of their mental health nursing programmes, are also employed in substantive nursing assistant roles in Muckamore Abbey hospital. Moira Mannion, Carol Chambers Practice Education Coordinator and Donna Gallagher will meet with these students to provide support. The students' practice placements are in appropriate mental health nursing settings.

Name of Reviewer: Donna Gallagher

Job Title: Senior Lecturer

Date: 21/09/2018

# Review 10th December 2018

- A further 2 meetings have taken place between Donna Gallagher, Senior Lecturer Nursing and Executive Director of Nursing Brenda Creaney, Deputy Director Moira Mannion, and Senior Manager for Education, Workforce and Informatics Elish MacDougall in November 2018.
- In December Donna Gallagher, Carol Chambers, PEC BHSCT and Donna Stinson, PEF BHSCT met with the 3 Open University Nursing students whose substantive employment is at Muckamore Abbey. All 3 students continue to progress academically and professionally gaining practice learning experiences in the Trust but outside Muckamore Abbey.
- The outcome from the current SAI investigation has concluded and the report shared with Families affected by the SAI in December 2018. The report is presently been redacted for purpose of making the report available to trade union colleagues staff and relevant partner organisations this will be made available by the Trust by end of January 2019.
- Communication has been maintained with HOS QUB and Ulster Universities alongside the Practice Education Coordinator regarding all current Education Audits.

Name of Reviewer: Donna Gallagher

Job Title: Senior Lecturer

12/12/18

# Review 25th April 2019

- A further meeting has taken place between Donna Gallagher, Senior Lecturer nursing and Carol Chambers, Practice Education Co-ordinator today, 25/04/19.
- Donna Gallagher and Carol Chambers, PEC BHSCT continue to meet with the 3 Open University Nursing students whose substantive employment is at Muckamore Abbey. All 3 students continue to progress academically and professionally gaining practice learning experiences in the Trust, but outside Muckamore Abbey in other Trust locations. Feedback from students has been very positive.
- The outcome from the current SAI investigation concluded and the report was shared with Families affected by the SAI as planned in December 2018.
- Communication has been maintained with HOS QUB and Ulster Universities alongside the Practice Education Coordinator, Carol Chambers regarding all current Education Audits in place in Muckamore Abbey Hospital.
- Cranmore PICU unit was closed in December 2018, due to staffing cover challenges. The Trust took this decision. The PEC and Donna Gallagher continue to keep this under review at monthly meetings.
- OU students to date have not required access to any practice learning environments in Muckamore Abbey.

Name of Reviewer: Donna Gallagher

Job Title: Senior Lecturer

25/04/19

# NIMDTA Deanery Visit to Trust



# **FINAL REPORT**

Hospital Visited	Muckamore Abbey Hospital, Belfast Trust
Specialty Visited	Psychiatry
Type of Visit	Cyclical
Trust Responsible	Dr X, X
Officer	Dr X, X
	Dr X, X
Date of Visit	18 November 2011
Visiting Team	Mr X, X
_	Ms X, X
	Dr X, X
	Dr X, X
	Mrs X, Lay Representative
	Mrs X, X

Purpose of Deanery Visits	The General Medical Council (GMC) requires UK Deaneries to demonstrate compliance with the standards and requirements that it sets (GMC-The Trainee Doctor). This activity is called Quality Management and Deaneries need to ensure that Local Education and Training Providers (Hospital Trusts and General Practices) meet GMC standards through robust reporting and monitoring. One of the ways, the Northern Ireland Deanery (NIMDTA) carries out its duties is through visiting Local Education and Training Providers (LEPS). NIMDTA is responsible for the educational governance of all GMC-approved foundation and specialty (including General Practice) training programmes in Northern Ireland		
Purpose of this Visit	This visit is part of a programme of visits to all Psychiatric Units in Northern Ireland in October-December 2011 to assess the training environment and the postgraduate education and training of trainees attached to these units.		
Circumstances of this Visit	The Deanery Visiting Team met separately with educational leads, trainees, trainers and management team on the Muckamore Abbey site		
<b>Relevant Recent Visits</b>	None		
Pre-Visit Meeting Date	3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2011		
Purpose of Pre-Visit Meeting	To review and triangulate the evidence about postgraduate medical education and training in the unit to be visited		
Pre-Visit	GMC National Trainee Survey (2010)		
Documentation	NIMDTA pre-visit Trainee Survey (Survey Monkey – September 2011)		
Review	Trust Background Information Template (September 2011)		
Types of Visit	Cylical Planned visitation of all Units within 4 years		
	Interim Visit Decision at Quality Management Group after Grading of Cyclical Visit Reconfiguration of Service		
	Problem-Solving Visit Request of GMC		
	Request of RQIA  Quality Management Group after review of submitted evidence sufficient to justify investigation and not suitable for investigation at Trust or Specialty School level.		
Re-Grading Outcome	B1 Satisfactory See final page for grading descriptions		

Trainees Interviewed			
	Core (CT1-3)	Higher (ST4+)	
Interviewed/Total	2/3	4/4	
Trainers Interviewed			
Consultants interviewed/total 4/7			
Feedback provided to Trust Tear	n		
Dr X, X			
Contacts to whom the visit report is to be sent to for factual accuracy check			
Dr X, X			
Dr X, X			

# **Background**

**Staff:** There are 7 consultants (6.1 WTEs), 1 associate specialist/staff grade (with 1 post vacant), 3 registrar slots (ST4+- 1 currently filled with 2 slot-share less than full time trainees) and 3 core trainees (CT1-3). Educational supervision is provided by Dr X. Educational leadership by X (X) and Dr X (X). Clinical leadership is provided by Dr X (X) and Dr X (X).

**Rotas:** Junior Trainees (CT1-3) work in the evenings, nights and weekends on a 1-in-26 full shift rota as part of Mental Health at Night rota covering Belfast Trust (acute psychiatry in-patient sites at Mater, Belfast City and Knockbracken; Belfast Trust Emergency Departments at Mater and Royal Victoria; and 2 GP out-of-hours services). The Senior Trainees (ST4+) provided 2<sup>nd</sup> call learning disability cover of Muckamore Abbey in-patients and out-patients in South Eastern, Northern and Belfast Trusts (First on call for emergencies or admission to the Muckamore wards is provided by GPs).

**Other Sites:** In-patient care is only provided on Muckamore Abbey site. Out-patient clinics are provided on a number of sites.

**Programme:** In-house teaching is provided weekly on a Monday lunchtime including case presentations, journal club and audit component (once/month). There is also a Belfast Trust-wide multi-disciplinary psychiatry education meeting on Friday lunchtime (once/month). Trainees are facilitated to attend relevant centrally-run courses – QUB Diploma in Mental Health, Psychotherapy and MRCPsych preparation as appropriate in Belfast.

# Findings against GMC's Standards for Training

# **Domain 1 – Patient Safety**

# **Clinical Supervision**

Clinical supervision was described as good. The consultants were accessible. Feedback was usually informal. All trainees had 1-1 weekly 1 hour supervision meetings with their consultants.

#### Handover

For the junior trainees, there are formal handovers at 8.45am, 4.45pm and 8.45pm as part of the Mental Health at Night rota. There is no formal handover at Muckamore.

#### Workload

Workload was usually manageable during the day but quite variable at night on the Belfast Mental Health at Night rota. There were some clinics which over-ran and this was made more difficult by these clinics being remote from Muckamore (Bangor) and being late returning to Muckamore after the clinic. The trainees feel this issue is being addressed and should be resolved in January 2012.

#### Rota

The junior trainees work at night on the Belfast Mental Health at Night rota covering the Belfast Trust inpatient units (Mater, Windsor House-Belfast City Hospital and Knockbracken), Belfast Trust Emergency Departments (Mater and Royal Victoria Hospitals) and GP out-of-hours services. These trainees worked with a senior registered mental health nurse and the next tier of senior cover was provided at the registrar level (ST4+). Some of the trainees had concerns about how they could safely cover multiple sites at the same time. It did not appear to the visiting team that these trainees felt empowered to call the second tier for help when they felt stretched due to simultaneous emergencies on different geographic sites.

#### **EWTD Compliance**

There were no issues regarding EWTD compliance

# Domain 5 – Delivery of approved curriculum including assessment

### **Practical Experience**

Practical experience is dependent on the team to which the trainee is attached. The trainee attached to the Forensic Ward looked after in-patients, admitted and discharged patients and also gets some experience of community. The trainee attached to the community team was an intrinsic member of the specialised mental health team for learning disability, did 2 clinics per week, and attended link meetings with 4 multidisciplinary teams in the Belfast area. The trainee attached to the acute in-patients team mainly did ward work and attended multi-disciplinary team meetings in the acute in-patient ward and two other in-patient units. The trainee attached to the chronic long stay patients was involved in the care of patients in 3 different ward areas and did 1 clinic/week. Trainees who were slot-sharing did out-patients clinics in Belfast and Bangor. There were no issues regarding tasks of limited educational value.

# **Training Days**

Trainees are released to attend Regional teaching on Psychotherapy or in preparation for MRCPsych as appropriate.

# Domain 6 - Support and development of trainees, trainers and local faculty

#### Induction

Trainees attended generic induction in Belfast Trust, Psychiatry-specialty induction at Windsor House, and unit induction at Muckamore Abbey. The Psychiatry induction was good and ran on the first day and 2 subsequent Fridays and covered a range of psychiatric disorders, Trust guidelines and policies and the arrangements for Mental Health at Night rota. The induction to Muckamore included an explanation of the workings of the hospital, a tour of the site and provision of a handbook by one of the trainees who had worked in the unit before. The trainees missed out on introductions to the consultants.

# **Education Supervision**

Trainees knew who their educational supervisors were, had met with them, had signed an educational agreement and were making progress with their workplace based assessments.

# **Hospital Specialty Educational Meetings**

Trainees described a well organised unit educational meeting on Monday lunchtimes which involved journal club and case presentations and which was well supported by consultants

#### Audit

Most of the trainees were taking part in audits and there were opportunities to present audits monthly during the Monday lunchtime teaching programme.

**Internet Access -** Trainees described an inadequate number of computers and slow internet access.

**Undermining -** No issues were raised

# **Personal Safety**

Trainees had been provided with dis-engagement training at Muckamore. Some of the trainees raised issues about personal safety when visiting patients at the GP out-of-hours service in Belfast (Beldoc). They felt vulnerable, due to perceived lack of secure car parking, when walking back to their cars in the dark after seeing patients during the night at Beldoc.

# **Trainer Support**

<u>Trainer Training</u> Most consultants had attended a Teaching the Teachers course and some expressed an interest in attending a course on Managing Trainees in Difficulty. Trainers were not sure that they were receiving emails from the Belfast Trust Education Centre concerning the Doctors in Difficulty courses or courses for clinical and educational supervisors

<u>Training Capacity.</u> Due to increasing sub-specialisation of the consultants, there are challenges in providing a balance between in-patient and out-patient experience for trainees. In addition, trainees may not get much experience of acute psychiatry.

<u>PA Allocation</u> The consultants feel that time for clinical end educational supervision duties is squeezed but they do have time recognised for 1-1 weekly 1 hour supervision sessions with their trainees

<u>Accountability.</u> Dr X is responsible for postgraduate medical education and training in the Trust <u>Appraisal.</u> Appraisal for educational roles occurs as part of annual appraisal

# **Conclusions**

# **Good Practice:**

- 1. The trainees all rate the unit highly
- **2.** Generic and Specialty-specific induction programmes were both good.
- **3.** Education supervision was good
- **4.** Clinical supervision was good
- **5.** Formal education was good
- 6. Audit was well supported

#### **Areas for Improvement:**

- 1. The unit induction could be improved by an opportunity to meet the consultants during the session.
- **2.** Practical experience was not well balanced for all trainees. The attachments should be re-organised to provide trainees with both in-patient and out-patient experience.
- **3.** Mental Health at Night. Safety of simultaneous cover of multiple sites We would request the Specialty Education Lead to investigate whether there are genuine safety issues here or whether this is due to a lack of empowerment on the side of trainees in not feeling able to ask for help from the next tier of seniority.
- **4.** Personal Safety at night and car parking at Beldoc. We would ask the Trust to investigate the trainees concerns re secure car parking.
- **5.** Computer and internet access reported as weak by trainees and trainers.

	Grading Outcome	Description	IACTION PIAN	Update on Action Plan	Re-visit
A1	Excellent	Exceeds expectations under all GMC domains	Not required	Not required	Not necessary
A2		Meets expectations under all GMC domains	Not required	Not required	Not necessary
B1			•		No automatic re- visit
B2					No automatic re- visit
С	Borderline		•		Automatic re-visit within 12 months
	Not able to	Unable to assess due to lack of trainee and/or trainer engagement with visit	Urgent conference with Me Education within 10 worki		irector of Medical
		•	•		Required within 3 months
		•		Required within 30 working days	Automatic re-visit within 3 months

# **Trust Action Plan to Deanery Visit Report**



All final reports will be sent to the Director of Medical Education, and copied to the Chief Executive Officer, Medical Director, RQIA, HSC Board, DHSSPS

These reports will be used to inform GMC of both good practice and areas of concern through the Annual Deanery Report.

Hospital Visited	Muckamore, Belfast	Specialty Visited	Psychiatry
Type of Visit	Cyclical	Date of Visit	18 November 2011
Trust Responsible Officer	Dr. Una Carabine	Deadline for submission of Trust Response/Action Plan	N/A
Action Plan Reviewed By QMG	13 August 2012	QMG Grading Decision	B1 Satisfactory

	Grading Outcome	Description	Action Plan	Update on Action Plan	Re-visit
A1	Excellent	Exceeds expectations under all GMC domains	Not required	Not required	Not necessary
A2	Good	Meets expectations under all GMC domains	Not required	Not required	Not necessary
B1	Satisfactory		Required within 10 working days	Required within 6 months	No automatic re-visit
B2	Satisfactory (with conditions)		Required within 10 working days	Required within 6 months	No automatic re-visit
С	Borderline		Required within 10 working days	Required within 3 months	Automatic re-visit within 12 months
D	Unsatisfactory - Not able to assess	·	Urgent conference with Med working days.	ical Director and Director of Me	dical Education within 10
E	Unsatisfactory - Urgent action	•	Required within 10 working days	Required within 3 months	Required within 3 months
F	Unsatisfactory- Unsafe Training Environment – Immediate Action	Immediate action to be taken by notification to nominated Trust representative. Possible withdrawal of trainees/training post after discussion with GMC	Required within 10 working days	Required within 30 working days	Automatic re-visit within 3 months

Visi	Visit Team Findings against GMC Standards for Training					
	Areas For Improvement Identified by Visit Team:	Trust Action Proposed:	Lead and Involved Individuals:	Date to be completed by:	QMG Response:	
1	The unit induction could be improved by an opportunity to meet the consultants during the session.	The site educational lead takes part in the induction programme and meets all new trainees. Opportunities will be provided for the LD consultants to meet with all the LD trainees at an early stage.	Dr D Hughes and Colleagues	April 2012	The Deanery QMG acknowledges and accepts this action.	
2	Practical experience was not well balanced for all trainees. The attachments should be re- organised to provide trainees with both in-patient and out-patient experience.	The trainee job plans will be reviewed to ensure that they include a balanced experience. Trainees are encouraged to obtain experience in areas outside their individual post for example by attachment to other consultants' clinics and special interest sessions.  The Trust intends to appoint a non-training grade doctor. This should increase flexibility in trainee job plans.  UPDATE 14.6.12:	Dr D Hughes	June 2012	The Deanery QMG would acknowledge and accept this update.	
		The Educational Supervisor & Clinical Director have reviewed trainee job plans to ensure that trainees have access to training in both inpatient and outpatient settings. Individual job plans should reflect not only service needs but the training needs, seniority and previous experience of the trainee.				
3	Mental Health at Night. Safety of simultaneous cover of multiple sites – We would request the Specialty Education Lead to investigate whether there are genuine safety issues here or whether this is due to a lack of empowerment on the side of trainees in not feeling able to ask for help from the next tier of seniority.	As noted in the Windsor visit report "the junior staff could get help from the experienced nursing members of the team and from registrars on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> tier. They had learnt how to prioritise quickly and would have no hesitation in getting a patient transferred by ambulance to the acute hospital if the patient had a major medical problem and the trainee had difficulty in travelling to that site in a timely fashion."  Updated written guidance to trainees reinforces the advice to trainees. Clear guidance is given regarding response to emergencies and how to deal with situations when simultaneously calls come from different sites. Trainees are advised to call the second on call if assistance is needed. The second on call can in turn call the consultant. Non-medical (nursing) member of the team can also provide backup.	Dr P Sloan	Achieved	The Deanery QM group would like to thank the Trust for carrying out and sending through the results of the 'Mental Health at Night' audit.	
		The intensity of calls will be monitored and the system kept under review.				

4	Personal Safety at night and car parking at Beldoc. We would ask the Trust to investigate the trainees concerns re secure car parking.	Parking provision will be addressed by Trust management with provision of appropriate access to safe and convenient spaces.  UPDATE 14.6.12:- Fobs allowing access to the fenced car part at Fairview have been provided by estate services and are available for trainees on duty with the Mental Health at Night service.	Mr M Carney	May 2012	The Deanery QMG would acknowledge and accept this update.
5	Computer and internet access reported as weak by trainees and trainers.	The Trust will work to improve access to computers and the internet access locally. There are plans to introduce a IT-based Community Information System (PARIS). This will involve increased provision of IT facilities across the site.  UPDATE 14.6.12:- There is one ordinary PC and two chip PCs in the library, a chip PC in the journal room, and a chip PC in each trainee's office. Speed and reliability remain an issue, though the ordinary PC in the library should provide reliable and speedy access unless two juniors require this at the same time. The desktop computers should provide reliable and speedy internet access. The internet access in the trainees' offices are the Chip computer arrangement. The Trust recognises that there is an issue with this arrangement with regards to speed and reliability. A number of meetings have taken place with the Trust IT Department, they are aware of the issue, and I understand the issue is on a priority list for action.	ICT Department Dr D Hughes	May 2012	The Deanery QMG would acknowledge and accept this update.

# **Additional Comments from the Trust:**

We would like to thank the Deanery team for their visit which has facilitated the service in reviewing our training scheme. We intend to continue to develop the scheme to respond to the needs of trainees in a changing system of service delivery.

	On behalf of the Trust:	Signature of Nominated Trust Responsible Officer
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# NIMDTA Deanery Visit to Belfast Trust



# **FINAL REPORT**

Hospitals	Belfast Trust
Specialty Visited	Psychiatry
Type of Visit	Cyclical visit
Trust Officers with	Dr Cathy Jack, Medical Director
Postgraduate Medical	Dr Una Carabine, Director of Medical Education
Education & Training	
Responsibility	
Date of Visit	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2017
Visiting Team Dr Richard Tubman, Associate Dean (Chair)	
	Dr Joanne Minay, Training Programme Director (General Adult), School of Psychiatry
	Dr Mark Luty, Assistant Director of Medical Education, NHS Ayrshire and Arran; External
	Representative
	Dr John Harty, Foundation Representative
	Mr Eoin Doyle, Lay Representative
	Mrs Geraldine McCullough, Hospital Specialty Executive Officer, NIMDTA

Purpose of Deanery	The General Medical Council (GMC) requires UK Deaneries/LETBs to demonstrate		
Visits	compliance with the standards and requirements that it sets (GMC-Promoting		
	Excellence 2016). This activity is called Quality Management and Deaneries need to		
	ensure that Local Education and Training Providers (Hospital Trusts and General		
	Practices) meet GMC standards through robust reporting and monitoring. One of the		
	ways the Northern Ireland Deanery (NIMDTA) carries out its duties is through visiting		
	Local Education and Training Providers (LEPS). NIMDTA is responsible for the		
	educational governance of all GMC-approved foundation and specialty (including		
	General Practice) training programmes in Northern Ireland.		
Purpose of this Visit	This is a cyclical visit to assess the training environment and the postgraduate		
rui pose oi tilis visit	education and training of trainees in Psychiatry in the Belfast Trust.		
Circumstances of this	The Deanery Visiting Team met with educational leads, trainees and trainers in		
Visit	Psychiatry at Mater Hospital.		
	Cyclical visits to Psychiatry units in Belfast Trust, 18 <sup>th</sup> November, 25 <sup>th</sup> November and 1 <sup>st</sup>		
Relevant previous Visits	December 2011		
Pre-Visit Meeting	24 <sup>th</sup> May 2017		
Purpose of Pre-Visit	To review and triangulate information about postgraduate medical education and		
Meeting	training in the unit to be visited.		
Pre-Visit	Previous visit reports 2011 and subsequent Trust Action Plans		
Documentation Review	Trust Background Information Template for Belfast Trust, April 2017		
	Pre-visit SurveyMonkey® May 2017		
	GMC National Training Surveys 2016		
Types of Visit	<u>Cyclical</u>		
	Planned visitation of all Units within 5 years		
	<u>Re-Visit</u>		
	Assess progress of LEP against a previous action plan		
	Decision at Quality Management Group after grading of cyclical visit		
	Reconfiguration of Service		
	Problem-Solving Visit		
	Request of GMC		
	Request of RQIA		
	Quality Management Group after review of submitted evidence sufficient to justify		
	investigation and not suitable for investigation at Trust or Specialty School level.		
Grading Outcome	B2 : Satisfactory (with conditions)		
	See final page for grading descriptions.		

This report reflects the findings from the trainees and trainers who were available to meet with the visiting team on the day of the visit and information arising from the pre-visit survey.

Please note the following recommendations from the Francis Report on Mid-Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust Public Inquiry on Training and Training Establishments as a Source of Safety Information:

- Recommendation 160: Proactive steps need to be taken to encourage openness on the part of trainees and to protect them from any adverse consequences in relation to raising concerns.
- Recommendation 161: Training visits should make an important contribution to the protection of patients. Obtaining information directly from trainees should remain a valuable source of information.

#### **Educational Leads Interviewed**

Dr Peter Trimble, Specialty Education Lead in Psychiatry

Dr Andrew McAllister, Foundation Programme Director (MIH)

Dr Hilary Boyd, Consultant Psychiatrist (CAMHS)

Dr Peter Sloan, Consultant Psychiatrist (Adult Psychiatry)

# **Trainees Interviewed**

	F2 and GPST	CT1-3	ST3+
Posts	5 F2,	19	10 (5 General adult, 1 Psychotherapy, 1 Forensic,
	6 GPST1		1 Old Age, 2 Intellectual Disability)
Interviewed	4 F2, 2 GPST1	12	6

## **Trainers Interviewed**

Trainers x 15

# **Feedback provided to Trust Team**

Dr Peter Trimble, Specialty Education Lead in Psychiatry

Dr Andrew McAllister, Foundation Programme Director (MIH)

Dr Dearbhail Lewis, Foundation Programme Director (RVH)

Mr Barney McAnearney, Co-Director Mental Health Services BHSCT

Dr Peter Sloan, Consultant Psychiatrist (Adult Psychiatry)

Dr Hilary Boyd, Consultant Psychiatrist (CAMHS)

Dr Philip McGarry, Consultant Psychiatrist (Adult Psychiatry)

# Contacts to whom the visit report is to be sent to for factual accuracy check

Dr Cathy Jack, Medical Director

Dr Una Carabine, Director of Medical Education

Dr Peter Trimble, Specialty Education Lead in Psychiatry

#### **Background**

**Organisation:** Inpatient mental health services are provided in Knockbracken Healthcare Park, Mater Hospital (both adult), Beechcroft (CAMHS) and Muckamore (ID). There are outpatient clinics at several venues across the Trust area. Much of the clinical care is provided in the community setting or in outpatient clinics by a range of consultant-led multidisciplinary teams.

The facilities at Windsor House, BCH and Shaftesbury Square Hospital have closed. There are plans to locate a large component of inpatient adult mental health services in a new centre on the BCH site, although some specialist inpatient services will continue at Knockbracken.

**Staff:** There are 65 consultant Psychiatrists (34 General adult, 16 CAMHS, 9 ID and 6 Old Age) and 16 Associate Specialist/Specialty Doctors (9 General adult, 3 CAMHS, 2 ID and 2 Old Age) in Belfast Trust.

There are 10 ST3+, who take part in the second tier rotas.

There are 19 core trainees (three of whom have been on long term sick leave), 6 GPST1 and 5 F2 doctors who take part in the first on-call rotas.

### **National Training Surveys:**

NB: BCH and Shaftesbury Square Hospital appeared on the 2016 NTS returns.

There were green indicators for Clinical Supervision out of hours at Knockbracken and at Muckamore and for Handover and Induction in General Psychiatry in the 2016 Trainee Survey.

There were red indicators for Organisational Culture, Time for Trainers and Support for Trainers in Mater Hospital, and a red indicator for Supportive Environment at Muckamore in the 2016 Trainer Survey.

**Previous Visits/Concerns:** All four visit reports from 2011 (Knockbracken, BCH, Mater, Muckamore) were graded: **B1 Satisfactory**.

# Findings against GMC's Standards for Medical Education and Training (Promoting Excellence, 2016)

# Theme 1: Learning Environment and Culture

**S1.1:** The learning environment is safe for patients and supportive for learners and educators. The culture is caring, compassionate and provides a good standard of care and experience for patients, carers and families.

**S1.2:** The learning environment and organisational culture value and support education and training so that learners are able to demonstrate what is expected in *Good Medical Practice* and to achieve the learning outcomes required by their curriculum.

# Induction (R1.10, 1.13, 1.19)

Trust induction in August 2016 was comprehensive and met trainees' needs. There were no delays in getting badges or passwords.

Unit induction lasted for 4 days (three for F2 who did not need CAMHS induction). Teaching covered important areas including rotas, the mental health order and rapid tranquilisation protocols, and there were handouts. Trainees met some of the mental health team at induction.

All trainees received personal alarms and breakaway/MAPA training as part of induction.

Core trainees said that the F2 buddying system hadn't been explained to them so they were not clear on their roles and responsibilities.

ST3+ trainees said that they had received an induction about cross-covering SEHSCT out of hours. However, their lines of responsibility were not clear, and they would have appreciated more explicit written details about cover and handover at weekends.

# Clinical Supervision (R1.7-1.10, 1.12a, 1.13, 1.15)

Trainees reported that clinical supervision was good at all times including out of hours. F2 trainees reported that they would feel more comfortable during their unscheduled care shift if they had the support of a senior mental health nurse. Senior help was readily accessible when needed.

F2s reported that some of them liked the previous buddy system as it meant there was an extra pair of hands out of hours. GPST trainees reported that they were never buddied by core trainees even though their previous psychiatry experience was similar to that of F2s. The core/F2 buddy system has now been discontinued largely because of rota pressures.

Tier one trainees reported that F2, GPST and core trainees were all termed "SHO" by nursing staff.

ST3+ trainees reported that they received about 1 hour per week of formal clinical supervision, which was generally good.

### Handover (R1.14)

There is a morning handover at 8.30am at Fairview (MIH) throughout the week including weekends. There is a consultant present at this. All unscheduled care patients are discussed.

Handover is person to person on weekday evenings. There is a formal evening handover only at weekends, which the first tier trainee and the on-call registrar attend. The ST3+ trainees said that "they were not sure what their role was" in the weekend handover.

ST3+ trainees reported that there was not a formal handover in Muckamore.

# **Practical Experience (R1.19)**

F2: practical experience depended on which ward F2s were attached to. Ward work comprised about a 50:50 split of medical and psychiatry duties and included admissions, discharges and consultant ward rounds. There was not an excess of non-educational tasks. F2s in acute adult psychiatry did not attend outpatients but those in old age psychiatry did: they were able to see new and review patients and discuss them with the consultant.

F2 trainees covered the wards in Knockbracken and MIH out of hours. They did liaison psychiatry and no longer were "buddied" by the core trainees. They had psychiatric nursing support and could phone the on-call registrar when necessary.

GPST: trainees reported that they got a good balance of inpatient and outpatient work including home visits. They covered two CAMHS units and Muckamore out of hours.

Core: trainees have a wide range of duties depending on their attachments. These included inpatient and outpatient work, home visits, unscheduled care/liaison work, tribunals and prison visits, psychotherapy sessions, etc. In general trainees were satisfied with their clinical experience although core trainees in Muckamore reported that it could be difficult covering the duty bleep, as there were rota gaps.

Core and ST3+ trainees said that there is an imbalance between the F2 and core trainees in exposure to on-call liaison. Core trainees' liaison opportunities have decreased.

ST3+: trainees reported that they received a wide range of opportunities according to their sub-specialty. They were able to carry out duties and make decisions at a suitably senior level.

# Workload (R1.7, 1.12)

Workload was said to be variable depending on the placement – MIH was busy but old age psychiatry in Knockbracken was quieter. Out of hours workload was manageable.

# **EWTR Compliance (R1.12e)**

Trainees reported that rotas were complex and at times constructed ad hoc because of rota gaps.

The first tier rota has two trainees covering liaison/unscheduled care and the wards from 5-9pm, then one trainee covering nights or weekends. F2 trainees said that they were currently working an excess of weekends, which they believed was due to rota gaps.

GPST trainees were able to get a half-day off after their shift but reported that the 48-hour shift at weekends could be arduous and was sometimes followed by an outpatient clinic on Monday.

Core trainees reported that they did on average 1:6-7 on-calls, which were manageable. They reported that there had been a high sickness rate, which resulted in a lot of extra shifts needing cover.

# Hospital and Regional Specialty Educational Meetings (R1.16)

F2, GPST and core trainees were able to attend regional teaching events. There is no specific regional teaching for higher trainees.

There is protected local teaching each week from 9-11am on Fridays at Musgrave Park Hospital. Trainees said that this was "really good". Consultants attended and presented. Trainees could present at the meeting but said that they would value more opportunities to do so. There is a Balint group on Wednesday morning at Knockbracken. All trainees are encouraged to attend this.

# **Educational Resources, Internet Access, Simulation Facilities (R1.19, R1.20)**

The visit team noted the comprehensive new educational facilities in MIH.

# Quality Improvement and Audit (R1.3, 1.5, 1.22)

Trainees reported that there were opportunities to do audit or QI projects.

ST3+ trainees reported that there were few opportunities for research in psychiatry.

#### Patient Care (R1.1, 1.3, 1.4)

Trainees reported that in their view the standard of patient care was excellent. The nurses in unscheduled care were well trained and provided a good service. The nurses in the Forensic service were held in high regard.

# Patient Safety (R1.1-1.5)

No issues reported. There is a daily safety brief at the unscheduled care handover, and in Muckamore.

Trainees appear to have a variable understanding of the Trust incident reporting system.

# Theme 2: Educational Governance and Leadership

**S2.1:** The educational governance system continuously improves the quality and outcomes of education and training by measuring performance against our standards, demonstrating accountability, and responding when standards are not being met.

**\$2.2:** The educational and clinical governance systems are integrated, allowing organisations to address concerns about patient safety.

**52.3:** The educational governance system makes sure that education and training is fair and is based on principles of equality and diversity.

### **Educational Supervision (R2.11, 2.14, 2.15)**

All trainees had named educational supervisors and had met with them regularly. This was generally of good quality, with one notable exception, of which the School of Psychiatry is aware and will follow up at ARCP. There were no barriers to completion of WBAs.

# **Theme 3: Supporting Learners**

**S3.1:** Learners receive educational and pastoral support to be able to demonstrate what is expected in *Good Medical Practice* and to achieve the learning outcomes required by the curriculum.

### Feedback on Performance, Development and Progress (R3.13)

Trainees reported that they regularly received informal feedback from consultants and at clinical supervision meetings, which usually lasted approximately 30-60 minutes each week. There were opportunities for feedback at the morning handover meeting.

# **Trainee Safety and Support (R3.2)**

Trainees said that their safety was taken seriously. They reported that they always saw patients in the company of another staff member. Potentially difficult patients were flagged up on the Paris system. However there were no alarms in the liaison rooms in either of the EDs in RVH or MIH.

Trainees reported that the Fairview building had been broken into one evening in the week before the visit (this is their office base out of hours). They said that the nurses were now nervous about working there out of hours. There did not appear to be any security cameras or alarms there. Staff had not been given any feedback or reassurances about their future safety at Fairview.

Trainers reported that the Liaison Office in RVH was "dreadful and oppressive". There was a constant leak of water from the physio pool in the floor above into the office.

# **Undermining (R3.3)**

No specific issues were reported. Trainees reported that they felt supported, valued and appreciated by the mental health nurses.

F2 trainees said that they sometimes felt pressurised by consultants and the workforce coordinator to fill rota gaps. Shifts were organised by the workforce coordinator and they "had no real say in the matter". Core trainees also said that they found the rota issue stressful, particularly as in their view "they were not communicated with until the last minute". They said that they felt that they were put under a lot of pressure to fill the gaps.

# Study Leave (R3.12)

No difficulties obtaining study leave. GPST trainees were able to attend Diploma of Mental Health teaching on Wednesdays. The visit team noted the significant up-front costs for trainees in psychotherapy.

# **Theme 4: Supporting Educators**

S4.1: Educators are selected, inducted, trained, and appraised to reflect their education and training responsibilities.

**S4.2:** Educators receive the support, resources and time to meet their education and training responsibilities.

## **Trainer Support (R4.1-4.6)**

Trainers reported that their educational roles were included in job planning, they were funded properly and that there was a system for educational appraisal.

Trainers were supported to get to training courses and all named supervisors were fully recognised by NIMDTA.

# Theme 5: Developing and Implementing Curricula and Assessments

**S5.2:** Postgraduate curricula and assessments are implemented so that doctors in training are able to demonstrate what is expected in *Good Medical Practice* and to achieve the learning outcomes required by their curriculum.

There were no concerns that trainees were unable to meet curricular requirements during the duration of their placement.

# **Summary of Conclusions**

Trust incident reporting system.

The below conclusions have been categorised as follows:

- i) Educational governance (training)
- ii) Clinical governance or patient safety issues

#### Comment

Trainees hold the mental health nurses in very high regard. They are skilled, helpful and supportive to trainees. The visit team noted the comprehensive new educational facilities in MIH.

**Good Practice** (includes areas of strength, good ideas and innovation in medical education and training):

**Potential Patient Safety.** Trainees appear to have a variable understanding of the

**1.** Trainees receive breakaway training and personal alarms at induction.

**Areas of Concern** (trainees are able to achieve required outcomes, but the quality of education and training is recognised as requiring improvement; patients within the training environment are receiving safe care but the quality of their care is recognised as requiring improvement):

		Educational Governance	Clinical Governance
1.	<b>Clinical Supervision.</b> Tier one trainees reported that F2, GPST and core trainees were all termed "SHO" by nursing staff. This does not acknowledge the potentially wide range of experience and competences across this group of trainees.	✓	
2.	<b>EWTR Compliance.</b> Trainees reported that rotas were complex and at times constructed ad hoc. Core trainees said that they found the rota issue stressful, particularly as in their view "they were not communicated with until the last minute". The organisation of rotas would benefit from using an electronic template that could provide allocations and calculated hours well in advance to trainees.	<b>√</b>	<

**Areas of Significant Concern** (patients/trainees within the training environment are at risk of coming to harm; trainees are unable to achieve required outcomes due to poor quality of the training posts/programme):

		Educational Governance	Clinical Governance
1.	<b>Trainee Safety &amp; Support.</b> Trainees reported that the Fairview building had been broken into in the week before the visit. They said that the nurses were now nervous about working there out of hours. There did not appear to be any security cameras or alarms there. Staff have not been given any feedback or reassurances about their future safety at Fairview.		<b>√</b>

**2. Trainee Safety & Support.** Trainers reported that the Liaison Office in RVH was "dreadful and oppressive". There was a constant leak of water from the physio pool in the floor above into the office. Trainers reported that this is not fit for purpose for training/supervision of trainees. This has been shared for information only.

N/A

N/A

Grading Outcome	Description	NIMDTA Review
Excellent	Exceeds expectations for a significant number of GMC standards.	Cyclical
Good	Meets expectations under all GMC standards.	Cyclical
Satisfactory	Areas for improvement identified but no areas of concern. No amber ratings.	No Automatic Revisit / Cyclical
Satisfactory (with conditions)	Areas for improvement identified. Specific concern to be addressed. Amber concern(s) to be addressed. No red ratings.	Cyclical / No Revisit Required - issues will be monitored via Quality Reporting from the LEP or School.
Borderline	Areas of concern to be addressed (may include one	NIMDTA Review within 12 months (unless all concerns are adequately addressed by the LEP within 6 months of rated action plan being issued). The review may include a revisit.
Unsatisfactory: Urgent Action	oncern or multiple red PAG ratings	NIMDTA Review within 6-12 months of rated action plan being issued. This is expected to include a revisit unless all areas have been adequately addressed.
Unsatisfactory: Unsafe Training Environment - Immediate Action	May apply if multiple red RAG ratings requiring immediate action are identified. LEP representative will be informed and may result in the implememtation of the 'Removal of Trainees' process.	NIMDTA Review within 3-6 months which may include a revisit. If no improvements within this period, the 'Removal of Trainees' process may be initiated.
Unable to Assess	Unable to assess due to lack of trainee and/or train	er engagement with visit.
	Excellent  Good  Satisfactory  Satisfactory (with conditions)  Borderline  Unsatisfactory: Urgent Action  Unsatisfactory: Unsafe Training Environment - Immediate Action	Excellent  Exceeds expectations for a significant number of GMC standards.  Good  Meets expectations under all GMC standards.  Areas for improvement identified but no areas of concern. No amber ratings.  Satisfactory (with conditions)  Areas for improvement identified. Specific concern to be addressed. Amber concern(s) to be addressed. No red ratings.  Borderline  Areas of concern to be addressed (may include one red or multiple amber RAG ratings).  Unsatisfactory: Urgent Action  Urgent action required on significant areas of concern or multiple red RAG ratings.  May apply if multiple red RAG ratings requiring immediate action are identified. LEP representative will be informed and may result in the implementation of the 'Removal of Trainees' process.

# **LEP Action Plan to Deanery Visit Report**



All final reports including the Trust action plan will be sent to the Director of Medical Education and copied to the Chief Executive Officer, Medical Director, RQIA, HSC Board, DHSSPS. Final reports and action plans with names redacted will be published on the NIMDTA website. These reports will be used to inform GMC of both good practice and areas of concern through the Dean's Report.

Local Education Provider (LEP) Visited	Belfast Trust	Factual Accuracy Report (15 working days to respond)	Date Issued: 30 June 2017 Date Trust Response Received: NO TRUST RESPONSE RECEIVED.	
Specialty Visited	Psychiatry		Date Issued: 28 July 2017 (For Response by: 18 August 2017)	
Type of Visit	Cyclical	Interim Report and Action Plan Timeline	Date Trust Response Received: 18 August 2017 Date Reviewed at OM: 04 September 2017	
Trust Officers with Postgraduate Medical Education & Training Responsibility	Dr Cathy Jack, MD Dr Una Carabine, DME		Date QM Updated Action Plan Issued: 21 September 2017 Action Plan Update Deadlines: 15 December 2017 Date Trust Response Received:	
Date of Visit	25 May 2017		Date Reviewed at QM:	
QMG Grading Decision & Date	B2: Satisfactory (with conditions) 04 September 2017	Final Report & Action Plan	Date Final Action Plan Issued: Date Final Report Uploaded to Website: Final Report Sent to: Dr Cathy Jack & Dr Una Carabine Date Final Report Sent: 21 September 2017	

	Grading Outcome	Description	NIMDTA Review	
A1	Excellent	Exceeds expectations for a significant number of GMC standards.	Cyclical	
A2	Good	Meets expectations under all GMC standards.	Cyclical	
B1	ISATISTACTORY	Areas for improvement identified but no areas of concern. No amber ratings.	No Automatic Revisit / Cyclical	
В2		Areas for improvement identified. Specific concern to be addressed. Amber concern(s) to be addressed. No red ratings.	Cyclical / No Revisit Required - issues will be monitored via Quality Reporting from the LEP or School.	
С		Areas of concern to be addressed (may include one red or multiple amber RAG ratings).	NIMDTA Review within 12 months (unless all concerns are adequately addressed by the LEP within 6 months of rated action plan being issued). The review may include a revisit.	
D1		Urgent action required on significant areas of concern or multiple red RAG ratings.	NIMDTA Review within 6-12 months of rated action plan being issued. This is expected to include a revisit unless all areas have been adequately addressed.	
D2		May apply if multiple red RAG ratings requiring immediate action are identified. LEP representative will be informed and may result in the implementation of the 'Removal of Trainees' process.	NIMDTA Review within 3-6 months which may include a revisit. If no improvements within this period, the 'Removal of Trainees' process may be initiated.	
U	Unable to Assess	Unable to assess due to lack of trainee and/or trainer engagement with visit.		

Vis	Visit Team Findings against GMC Standards for Training								
	Educational and/or Clinical Governance	Area for Improvement / Area of Concern / Area of Significant Concern (at the time of the visit)	Areas Identified by Visit Team:	Trust Action Plan: Please consider the following questions when providing a Trust action plan response:  1. What has been done to date?  2. What are you planning to do?  3. When will these plans be in place?	Lead Individual:	Date to be completed by:	QMG Comment	Risk Rating	Status
1	Clinical Governance	Area of Significant Concern	Trainee Safety & Support. Trainees reported that the Fairview building had been broken into in the week before the visit. They said that the nurses were now nervous about working there out of hours. There did not appear to be any security cameras or alarms there. Staff have not been given any feedback or reassurances about their future safety at Fairview.  This was supplied for information only.	The incident has been investigated and the risk assessment has been reviewed. This was highly unusual event.  Mental Health at Night staff are based in Home Treatment Team main office upstairs in Fairview 2. Staff advised to keep in regular contact with colleagues lone working regarding their whereabouts and expected time of return to base.  Staff should use Mater psychiatry out-patients department which have been risk assessed at night for GP referrals. Staff are provided with and advised to carry personal alarms and work in pairs in this area.  Issues relating to the safety of premises will be kept under review.  If staff are concerned about intruders at night, assistance can be called for by phoning hospital security or if necessary contacting the Police Service.	Mr Mel Carney	Completed	The Deanery QM group thank the Trust for the update provided but note that this was supplied for information only. A RAG rating will not be allocated and this will be categorised as closed on the action plan.	N/A	N/A

2	N/A	Area of Significant Concern	Trainee Safety & Support. Trainers reported that the Liaison Office in RVH was "dreadful and oppressive". There was a constant leak of water from the physio pool in the floor above into the office. Trainers reported that this is not fit for purpose for training/supervision of trainees.  This has been shared for information only.	Since the visit, work has been carried out at the liaison offices at the Royal Victoria Hospital, which have been refurbished and redecorated.  It is anticipated that the liaison department will be relocated to more suitable accommodation as part of the overall development of the RVH site, as part of New Directions 2.		Renovations carried out.  Date for relocation unknown.	The Deanery QM group thank the Trust for the update provided but note that this was supplied for information only. A RAG rating will not be allocated and this will be categorised as closed on the action plan.	N/A	N/A
3	Educational & Clinical Governance	Area of Concern	Clinical Supervision. Tier one trainees reported that F2, GPST and core trainees were all termed "SHO" by nursing staff. This does not acknowledge the potentially wide range of experience and competences across this group of trainees.	To help identify the grade and experience level of trainees colour coded lanyards which have printed on them the designation of the trainee are issued at induction. Trainees are encouraged to make clear to nursing colleagues their level of experience.  Charts describing the different grades and matching them to the lanyard colour will be sent to wards.  The Associate Director of Nursing will write to nursing team leaders to remind them of the training grade designations.  Awareness of the different medical training grades will be included in nursing induction.	Mr Mel Carney	Lanyards issued August 2017	The Deanery QM group acknowledge and accept the update provided.	Low Impact / Low Likelihood	Stage 5
4	Educational & Clinical Governance	Area of Concern	reported that rotas were complex and at times constructed ad hoc. Core trainees said that they found the rota issue stressful, particularly as in their view "they were not communicated with until the last minute". The organisation of	It is the Trust's experience that trainees have been reticent at times to offer to provide cover in an emergency for the first 72 hrs and in some instances have had to be contacted repeatedly before they have provided solutions. The Trust will remind trainees at induction of their contractual	Dr P Sloan	August 2017	The Deanery QM group note that the new rota is less complex and should assist trainees obtaining sufficient notice in advance. Please confirm by <b>15 December 2017</b> that trainees are notified of their rota six weeks in	Medium Impact / Medium Likelihood	Stage 2

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		s would benefit from using	obligation where possible. In		advance.	
	an ele	lectronic template that could	addition to this the trainees have			
	provi	ide allocations and	agreed that a "first approach list"			
	calcu	ulated hours well in advance	will be developed and held by			
		ainees.	Medical Workforce office. The	1		
			purpose of this list is to ensure			
			that the same trainees who offer			
			to help in an emergency are not			
			always those first approached.			
			Issues can arise when at short			
			notice someone is unable to work			
			a shift or session through illness			
			or unforeseen circumstances.			
			Sometimes there is a late change			
			in allocation of trainees to the			
			Trust or an expected trainee does			
			not take up post.			
			In addition to this, a new rota			
			template has been developed.			
			This should help make clear what			
			duties are planned and aid in			
			maintaining fairness.			
			The template is designed to			
			facilitate fairness in the			
			mechanism for requesting			
			changes to cover gaps arising			
			unavoidably at short notice and			
			without increasing overall hours			
			worked.			
			The new rota is less complex and			
			should allow advance notice of			
			duty.			
			In addition the new head of school			
			has already been working on the			
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			mechanism by which NIMDTA			
			communicate with Trusts			
			regarding the allocation of			
			trainees.			
			The issues will be kept under			
			review and feedback sought from			
			trainees.			
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5	Educational & Clinical Governance	Area for Improvement	Induction. ST3+ trainees said that they had received an induction about cross-covering SEHSCT out of hours. However, their lines of responsibility were not clear, and they would have appreciated more explicit written details about cover and handover at weekends.	Written information is now available from the South Eastern Trust regarding cover of the SEHSCT out of hours. The topic will be addressed in a briefing meeting for trainees.	Dr J Caughey	August 2017	The Deanery QM group require confirmation that the briefing meeting has taken place to enable this item to be closed. In addition, the group would like a copy of the written information as well as confirmation that this info is available on a recurrent basis as the trainees rotate. Please provide by <b>15 December 2017</b> .	Low Impact / Low Likelihood	Stage 2
6	Educational Governance	Area for Improvement	Practical Experience. There is an imbalance between the F2 and core trainees in exposure to on-call liaison. Core trainees' liaison opportunities have decreased which is disappointing given the previously good standard.	The rota has been restructured as mentioned in point 4. This should facilitate access to experience in liaison assessments for core trainee and address any imbalance.  Trainees, particularly those new to psychiatry are encouraged to spend time accompanying a member of the Unscheduled Care Team in order to gain experience of emergency or urgent presentations in psychiatry.	Dr P Sloan	August 2017	The Deanery QM group acknowledge and accept the update provided.  However please note that practical experience will continue to be monitored via ARCP.	Low Impact / Low Likelihood	Stage 5
7	Educational & Clinical Governance	Area for Improvement	Potential Patient Safety. Trainees appear to have a variable understanding of the Trust incident reporting system.	This topic will be addressed early in the weekly governance academic programme.  Training is available on line. The issue will be communicated to clinical supervisors for inclusion in supervision sessions.  As a general point, trainees are advised at induction to raise with their clinical or educational supervisor any concerns they might have.	Dr P Trimble	September 2017	The Deanery QM group acknowledge and accept the update provided.	Low Impact / Low Likelihood	Stage 5

# Good Practice Items from Visit Report [if applicable]

**Good Practice** (includes areas of strength, good ideas and innovation in medical education and training):

**1.** Trainees receive breakaway training and personal alarms at induction.

## **Impact, Likelihood & Risk**

The above points have been graded by the Quality Management Group in accordance with the GMC's risk and status ratings below.

# 'Impact'

Impact takes into account:

- Patient or trainee safety.
- The risk of trainees not progressing in their training.
- Education Experience. For example, the educational culture, the quality of formal / informal teaching etc.

An issue can be rated high, medium, or low impact according to the following situations:

High Impact: patients or trainees within the training environment are being put at risk of coming to harm. Or trainees are unable to achieve required outcomes due to poor quality of the training posts / programme.

Medium Impact: trainees are able to achieve required outcomes, but the quality of education and training is recognised as requiring improvement. Or patients within the training environment are receiving safe care, but the quality of their care is recognised as requiring improvement.

Low Impact: issues have a minimal impact on a trainee's education and training, or the quality of provision for the patient.

# **'Likelihood'**

Likelihood measures the frequency at which issues arise. For example, if\_a rota has a gap because of one-off last minute sickness absence, the likelihood of\_issues occurring as a result would be low.

High Likelihood: the issue occurs with enough frequency that patients or trainees could be put at risk on a regular basis. What is considered to be 'enough frequency' may vary depending on the issue. For example, if rotas have consistent gaps so that there is a lack of safe cover arrangements, the likelihood of issues arising as a result would be 'high'.

Medium Likelihood: the issue occurs with enough frequency that if left unaddressed could result in patient safety issues or affect the quality of education and training. For example, if the rota is normally full but there are no reliable arrangements to cover for sickness absence, the likelihood of issues arising as a result would be 'medium'.

Low Likelihood: the issue is unlikely to occur again. For example, if a rota has a gap because of several unexpected sickness absences occurring at once, the likelihood of issues arising as a result would be 'low'.

#### 'Risk'

Risk if then determined by both the impact and likelihood and will result in a RAG rating according to the below matrix:

#### Risk Rating

LIKELIHOOD \			
IMPACT →	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
LOW	GREEN	GREEN	AMBER
MEDIUM	GREEN	AMBER	RED
HIGH	AMBER	RED	RED

#### **Status Ratings**

Stage 1:  $\bf NEW \ CONCERN \ IDENTIFIED$  - a concern has been identified and an action plan is not yet in place.

Stage 2: **PLAN IN PLACE** - an action plan for improvement is in place but has not been fully implemented and evaluated.

Stage 3: **PROGRESS BEING MONITORED** - there is continuing monitoring and evaluation of actions but no evidence of change has been demonstrated.

Stage 4: **CHANGE SUSTAINED** - actions have been implemented and there is evidence of improvement through monitoring.

Stage 5: **CLOSE CONCERN** - solutions are verified or there is evidence of sustained improvement over an appropriate time period. If this is an open item on the GMC Dean's Report, a request will be made to the GMC to close the concern.

# New GMC Standards for Medical Education and Training [Promoting Excellence - Jan 2016]

Theme 1: Learning Environment & Culture	Theme 2: Educational Governance & Leadership	Theme 3: Supporting Learners	Theme 4: Supporting Educators	Theme 5: Developing and Implementing Curricula and Assessments
<b>S1.1:</b> The learning environment is safe for patients and supportive for learners and educators. The culture is caring, compassionate and provides a good standard of care and experience for patients, carers and families.	<b>\$2.1:</b> The educational governance system continuously improves the quality and outcomes of education and training by measuring performance against our standards, demonstrating accountability, and responding when standards are not being met.	<b>S3.1:</b> Learners receive educational and pastoral support to be able to demonstrate what is expected in <i>Good Medical Practice</i> and to achieve the learning outcomes required by the curriculum.	<b>S4.1:</b> Educators are selected, inducted, trained, and appraised to reflect their education and training responsibilities. <b>S4.2:</b> Educators receive the support, resources and time to meet their education and training responsibilities.	<b>S5.2:</b> Postgraduate curricula and assessments are implemented so that doctors in training are able to demonstrate what is expected in <i>Good Medical Practice</i> and to achieve the learning outcomes required by their curriculum.
<b>S1.2:</b> The learning environment and organisational culture value and support education and	<b>\$2.2:</b> The educational and clinical governance systems are integrated, allowing organisations to address			

training so that learners are able to demonstrate what is expected	•		
in <i>Good Medical Practice</i> and to achieve the learning outcomes required by their curriculum.	<b>S2.3:</b> The educational governance system makes sure that education and training is fair and is based on principles of equality and diversity.		

## **Additional Comments from the Trust:**

Directorate comment:

The confusion resulting from R 1.8 Promoting Excellence in relation to supervision and support of F2 Doctors resulted in a number of rota changes on the Knockbracken site and concern expressed by junior doctors who felt at times that the policy undermined their autonomy. They have worked with the Trust to devise a rota which is now acceptable to them, NIMDTA and the Trust. The learning from this has been that policies designed for acute medical sites do not always translate easily to other settings and consideration should be given to this in the future.

On Behalf of the Trust: Director of Medical Education

Signature:
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Date:

# NIMDTA Educational Monitoring Visit to Trust



# **FINAL REPORT**

Hospital Visited	Muckamore Abbey Ho	Muckamore Abbey Hospital, South Eastern Trust					
Specialty Visited	Psychiatry of Intellectu	ual Disability					
Type of Visit	Cyclical						
Trust Officers with	Dr Chris Hagan, Medic	al Director, Belfast Trus	t				
Postgraduate Medical	Dr Claire Riddell, Direc	tor of Medical Educatio	n, Belfast Trust				
Education & Training	Dr Dearbhail Lewis, Co	llege Specialty Tutor, P	sychiatry Specialty Prog	ramme			
Responsibility	Dr Stephen Austin, Ass	sociate Medical Director	r				
	Dr Joanna Dougherty,	Dr Joanna Dougherty, Clinical Director					
Date of Visit	04 December 2020						
Visiting Team	Mr Kourosh Khosravia	ni, Associate Dean (Cha	ir)				
	Dr Joanne Miney, Head	d of School					
	Mr Robert Irvine, Lay F	Representative					
	Miss Sabrina Duffy, Qu	uality Executive Officer,	NIMDTA				
Rating Outcome	Red	Amber	Green	White*			
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Purpose of Deanery visits	The General Medical Council (GMC) requires UK Deaneries/LETBs to demonstrate compliance
	with the standards and requirements that it sets (GMC-Promoting Excellence 2016). This activity
	is called Quality Management and Deaneries need to ensure that Local Education and Training
	Providers (Hospital Trusts and General Practices) meet GMC standards through robust reporting
	and monitoring. One of the ways the Northern Ireland Deanery (NIMDTA) carries out its duties
	is through visiting Local Education and Training Providers (LEPS). NIMDTA is responsible for the
	educational governance of all GMC-approved foundation and specialty (including General
	Practice) training programmes in Northern Ireland.
Purpose of this visit	This is a cyclical visit to assess the training environment and the postgraduate education and
	training of trainees in Psychiatry of Intellectual Disability training at Muckamore Abbey Hospital.
Circumstances of this visit	The Deanery Visiting Team met with educational leads, trainees and trainers in Psychiatry of
	Intellectual Disability training at Muckamore Abbey Hospital.
Relevant previous visits	Cyclical visit to the Psychiatry unit in Belfast Trust in May 2017
Pre-visit meeting	04 December 2020
Purpose of pre-visit meeting	To review and triangulate information about postgraduate medical education and training in the
	unit to be visited.
Pre-Visit Documentation	Previous visit report and subsequent Trust Action Plan - 24 May 2017
Review	Trust Background Information Template December
	Pre-visit Smart Survey® - November 2020
	GMC National Training Survey 2019
Types of Visit	Cyclical
	Planned visitation of all Units within 5 years
	Re-Visit
	Assess progress of LEP against a previous action plan
	Decision at Quality Management Group after grading of cyclical visit
	Reconfiguration of Service
	Problem-Solving Visit
	Request of GMC
	Request of RQIA
	Quality Management Group after review of submitted evidence sufficient to justify investigation
	and not suitable for investigation at Trust or Specialty School level.
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 $<sup>^{*}</sup>$  Risks identified during the visit which were closed through action planning by the time of the final report.

This report reflects the findings from the trainees and trainers who were available to meet with the visiting team on the day of the visit and information arising from the pre-visit survey.

Please note the following recommendations from the Francis Report on Mid-Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust Public Inquiry on Training and Training Establishments as a Source of Safety Information:

- Recommendation 160: Proactive steps need to be taken to encourage openness on the part of trainees and to protect them from any adverse consequences in relation to raising concerns.
- Recommendation 161: Training visits should make an important contribution to the protection of patients. Obtaining information directly from trainees should remain a valuable source of information.

## **Educational Leads Interviewed**

Dr Dearbhail Lewis, College Specialty Tutor

#### **Trainees Interviewed**

	GPST1	CT1 -2	СТЗ	ST3/4+
Posts	1	1	2	4
Interviewed	1	0	1	3

#### **Trainers Interviewed**

Trainers x 3

#### Feedback provided to Trust Team

Dr Chris Hagan, Medical Director, Belfast Trust

Dr Claire Riddell, Director of Medical Education, Belfast Trust

Dr Dearbhail Lewis, College Specialty Tutor, Psychiatry Specialty Programme

Dr Stephen Austin, Associate Medical Director

Dr Joanna Dougherty, Clinical Director

#### Contacts to whom the visit report is to be sent to for factual accuracy check

Dr Claire Riddell, Director of Medical Education, Belfast Trust

Dr Dearbhail Lewis, College Specialty Tutor, Psychiatry Specialty Programme

Mrs Kate Crosbie, Postgraduate Education Manager

#### **Background**

**Organisation:** The Belfast sites included in this visit are Muckamore Abbey Hospital which has inpatient beds and the Belfast City Hospital site which has one outpatient clinic. There are intellectual disability consultants who work for the both the Belfast and the South Eastern Trust which has two outpatient clinics.

**Staff:** There are currently two x consultants and three Specialty Registrars. One consultant is based out in the community and the other is based in Lisburn within the SEHSCT four days a week and one day in Muckamore Abbey Hospital site. Further to this there is 1 x GPST1 trainee, 1 x CT3 trainee, 1 x CT2 trainee and 2 x locum specialty doctors. There is no F1/F2 or Associate Specialists.

Rotas: There is a split rota that consists of on site and off site working as follows:

- 1 x 1.0 WTE & 1x WTE 0.5 On Site consultants
- 1x WTE 1.0 (9-5 Community) Staff Grade and 1x WTE 1.0 Staff Grade (9-5 SEHSCT)
- 1 x GPST1 trainee 1.0 WTE
- 1 x CT3 (LTFT 60%)
- 1 x CT2 1.0 WT
- 1 x Specialty Locum 1.0 WTE
- 1 x Specialty Locum (GP) 0.5 WTE

Other Sites: Knockbracken remaining wards, Acute Mental Health Centre (AMHIC) in the Belfast City Hospital & CAMHS inpatient unit based in Forster Green Hospital.

NTS: There was no NTS survey completed this year due to the Covid 19 Pandemic.

**Previous Visits/Concerns:** The loss of connectivity with trainees working in different sites; loss of opportunity for trainers to touch base with trainees on a more informal basis. This has impacted the timeliness of receipt of rota/impact of rota gaps, the Enhanced Junior Doctor forum working with Medical HR re same. Trainees working in PID being aware of recent investigations who feel very supported by staff in this regard, and made aware of other supports and available/mechanisms for raising concerns.

#### Findings against GMC's Standards for Medical Education and Training (Promoting Excellence, 2016)

#### Theme 1: Learning Environment and Culture

**\$1.1:** The learning environment is safe for patients and supportive for learners and educators. The culture is caring, compassionate and provides a good standard of care and experience for patients, carers and families.

**S1.2:** The learning environment and organisational culture value and support education and training so that learners are able to demonstrate what is expected in *Good Medical Practice* and to achieve the learning outcomes required by their curriculum.

#### Induction (R1.10, 1.13, 1.19)

There appeared to be a very comprehensive approach to induction even given the Pandemic. It was mainly conducted through MS Teams, back up with online documentation which the trainees reported as being very helpful and frequently consulted. There was however concern raised by trainees regarding IT access at different sites. On occasions secretaries have been required to email the last patient letter to trainees for information.

#### Clinical Supervision (R1.7-1.10, 1.12a, 1.13, 1.15)

This was of a high standard. All trainees felt well supported with appropriate supervision.

#### Handover (R1.14)

Handover is very informal which would be a concern. It usually involves telephone contact between trainees and on occasion's use of What app groups. Trainees did not feel that this was a significant patient risk given the presently low number of patients.

## Practical Experience (R1.19)

All training grades were very happy with the range of clinical material. They were all enthusiastic regarding Psychiatry of Intellectual Disability.

# Workload (R1.7, 1.12)

There were no concerns raised regarding the workload.

# **EWTR Compliance (R1.12e)**

All rotas were compliant, there was however concern raised by both trainers and trainees regarding the complexity of the rota, this was due to the requirements of multisite cover on different shifts. The Trust is attempting to address this.

#### Hospital and Regional Specialty Educational Meetings (R1.16)

There are regular weekly teaching sessions covering the curriculum. There is also once a month Intellectual Disability specific training. These sessions are well supported by consultant trainers.

#### Educational Resources, Internet Access, Simulation Facilities (R1.19, R1.20)

Within each unit there is good access to IT facilities however as indicated earlier (Induction), access at different sites is problematic and not all trainees have seamless access.

## Quality Improvement and Audit (R1.3, 1.5, 1.22)

Trainees are encouraged and supported in both audits and QI projects.

#### Patient Care (R1.1, 1.3, 1.4)

This is of a high standard. All trainees felt that each patient was cared for in a patient focused care and manner.

#### Patient Safety (R1.1-1.5)

There are no concerns regarding patient safety.

#### Theme 2: Educational Governance and Leadership

- **S2.1:** The educational governance system continuously improves the quality and outcomes of education and training by measuring performance against our standards, demonstrating accountability, and responding when standards are not being met.
- **S2.2:** The educational and clinical governance systems are integrated, allowing organisations to address concerns about patient safety.
- 52.3: The educational governance system makes sure that education and training is fair and is based on principles of equality and diversity.

# Educational Supervision (R2.11, 2.14, 2.15)

All trainees felt well supported by trainers and described easy and frequent access to ES and CS. There are no issues regarding completion of WBAs.

#### **Theme 3: Supporting Learners**

**S3.1:** Learners receive educational and pastoral support to be able to demonstrate what is expected in *Good Medical Practice* and to achieve the learning outcomes required by the curriculum.

## Feedback on Performance, Development and Progress (R3.13)

There are no concerns regarding feedback, this is done in a very supportive manner.

#### Trainee Safety and Support (R3.2)

There were no concerns raised regarding trainee safety.

#### **Undermining (R3.3)**

There are no reports of undermining.

#### Study Leave (R3.12)

This is accessible and no concerns were raised.

#### **Theme 4: Supporting Educators**

- **S4.1:** Educators are selected, inducted, trained, and appraised to reflect their education and training responsibilities.
- **S4.2:** Educators receive the support, resources and time to meet their education and training responsibilities.

# Trainer Support (R4.1-4.6)

All trainers were well supported by the LEP and School. No concerns were raised.

#### Theme 5: Developing and Implementing Curricula and Assessments

**S5.2:** Postgraduate curricula and assessments are implemented so that doctors in training are able to demonstrate what is expected in *Good Medical Practice* and to achieve the learning outcomes required by their curriculum.

There were no concerns raised.

# **Summary of Conclusions**

The below conclusions have been categorised as follows:

- i) Educational governance (training)
- ii) Clinical governance or patient safety issues

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#### **Areas Working Well**

- 1. Excellent supervision.
- 2. Supportive environment.

Good Practice (includes areas of strength, good ideas and innovation in medical education and training):

- 1. The Teaching was highlighted as excellent, and all trainees can access all training provided.
- 2. All trainees are very well supported by their trainers.
- 3. The daily huddle to discuss patient care and weekly governance meeting and the drive by all to improve this.

**Areas for Improvement** (issues identified has a limited impact on a trainee's education and training, or the quality provision for the patient):

		Educational	Clinical	RAG
		Governance	Governance	Rating
1.	Rota construction is very complex. The Trust is already working to address			
	this. During discussion it was suggested that trainees should be involved in		✓	Amber
	redesigning the rota.			

**Areas of Concern** (trainees are able to achieve required outcomes, but the quality of education and training is recognised as requiring improvement and/or patients within the training environment are receiving safe care but the quality of their care is recognised as requiring improvement):

		Educational Governance	Clinical Governance	RAG Rating
1.	<b>Handover.</b> There is no formal process for handover. This needs to be addressed.	*	✓	Green
2.	<b>Induction.</b> Trainees do not have access to all IT resources required. This may be helped by ensuring there is good and timely IT access across all sites and a single portal can be created for handover which can be accessed from any location.	*	<b>√</b>	Amber

**Areas of Significant Concern** (patients/trainees within the training environment are at risk of coming to harm and/or trainees are unable to achieve required outcomes due to poor quality of the training posts/programme):

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	Educational	Clinical	RAG
	Governance	Governance	Rating
There were no areas of significant concern identified.			·
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#### **LEP Action Plan to Deanery Visit Report**



All final reports including the Trust action plan will be sent to the Director of Medical Education and copied to the Chief Executive Officer, Medical Director, RQIA,
HSC Board, DHSSPS. Final reports and action plans with names redacted will be published on the NIMDTA website. These reports will be used to inform GMC of both good practice and areas of concern through
the Dean's Report.

Local Education Provider (LEP) Visited	Belfast Trust	Factual Accuracy Report (15 working days to respond)	Date Issued: 16 December 2020 Date Trust Response Received: 19 January 2021
Specialty Visited	Psychiatry of Intellectual Disability		Date Issued: 21 January 2021 For Response by: 10 February 2021
Type of Visit	Cyclical Visit		Date Trust Response Received: 25 February 2021 Date of PVFU: 26 February 2021
Trust Officers with Postgraduate Medical Education & Training Responsibility	Dr Chris Hagan, Medical Director Dr Claire Riddell, DME	Interim Report and Action Plan Timeline	Date Reviewed at QM: 05 March 2021  Date QM Updated Action Plan Issued: 26 March 2021  Action Plan Update Deadliness: 30 April 2021
Date of Visit	04 December 2020		Date Trust Response Received: 14 May 2021 Date Reviewed at QM: 28 May 2021
QMG RAG Decision & Date	Red         Amber         Green         White¹           0         2         1         0           05 March 2021         0         0         0         0	Final Report & Action Plan	Date Final Action Plan Issued: 28 May 2021 Final Report Sent to: Dr Riddell Date Final Report Sent: 26 March 2021 Date Final Report Uploaded to Website:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Risks identified during the visit which were closed through action planning by the time of the final report.

Visit 1	Visit Team Findings against GMC Standards for Training								
	Educational and/or Clinical Governance	Area for Improvement /Area of Concern/ Area of Significant Concern (at the time of the visit)	Areas Identified by Visit Team:	Trust Action Plan: Please consider the following questions when providing a Trust action plan response:  1. What has been done to date?  2. What are you planning to do?  3. When will these plans be in place?	Lead Individual:	Date to be completed by:	QMG Comment	RAG Rating	Status
1	Educational & Clinical Governance	Area of Concern	Handover. There is no formal process for handover. This needs to be addressed.	Trust Response 25/02/2021: This is the responsibility of the CD's in both the BHSCT Muckamore Site and SEHSCT sites to ensure there is a formal handover process available for use to avoid important patient information being missed by the attending trainee, if they have not seen the patient previously. The informal use of a WhatsApp group has the potential for sensitive/confidential patient information being accidentally shared with those it shouldn't be and is not GDPR Compliant. The patient group is very stable in terms of how well known they are. Currently Muckamore is not accepting new admissions, so issues with in-patients are dealt with as they arise, and formal handover on a daily basis is not required, as it would be in other units.  We will ensure that trainees are informed to handover any relevant clinical information to their colleagues via phone rather than WhatsApp?  We will make this clear at induction.  LEP Update 14.05.21  Formal handover should occur to highlight any issues needing action.	CD (sick Leave Feb 2021)	3/2/21	The Deanery QM group thank the Trust for the update provided.  This item is now closed. The Trust should ensure that handover of clinical information takes place via phone.	Concern Closed	Stage 5
2	Educational & Clinical Governance	Area of Concern	Induction. Trainees do not have access to all IT resources	Trust Response 25/02/2021: This is an issue for BHSCT, supplication of IT equipment to the trainees travelling	CD		The Deanery QM group thank the Trust for the update provided.	Medium Impact / Medium	Stage 2

			required. This may be helped by ensuring there is good and timely IT access across all sites and a single portal can be created for handover which can be accessed from any location.	between different sites should have been addressed during the induction process. This seems to be an issue in the peripheral sites rather than Muckamore. Progress is being made to establish WiFi at the Mount Oriel site. So work is underway with this.  LEP Update 14.05.21 The Trust agreed to ensure all trainees have access to this and that usernames, passwords and training on how to use the PARIS system will take place at induction. This has been passed to the Co-Director for action.		To enable this item to be closed, the Deanery QM group require confirmation that this issue has been resolved for trainees.  An update on progress is requested by 30th April 2021.  Deanery QMG Update 28.05.21 The Deanery QM group thank the Trust for the update provided.  The group would like the Trust to continue to monitor and request confirmation following the August 2021 induction. An update will be requested in the September LEP Quality Report due by 30 September 2021.  This action plan is now closed.	Likelihood	
3	Clinical Governance	Area for Improvement	Rota. The rota construction is very complex. The Trust is already working to address this. During discussion it was suggested that trainees should be involved in redesigning the rota.	Trust Response 25/02/2021: With the agreement of the Enhanced Junior Doctor forum (which has representation from all training grades) and Psychiatry management, Medical Workforce have drawn up a template for a new rota. This is a much less complex rota, with 2 doctors on full shift out of hours, to cover AMHIC, Knockbracken, Beechcroft and Muckamore. The newly proposed rota aims to have doctors working together to ensure equity of workload. The new rota begins on 3/2/21, and trainee feedback on same will be sought.  LEP Update 14.05.21 Rota design is in progress and will be raised with Peter Sloan, CoD for psychiatry. A Trainee survey is to be undertaken. Medical Workforce should be able to advise.	Bernie Macklin (Medical Workforce)	The Deanery QM group thank the Trust for the update provided.  To enable this item to be closed, the Deanery QM group require confirmation that the rota issues have been resolved for trainees.  An update on progress is requested by 30th April 2021.  Deanery QMG Update 28.05.21 The Deanery QM group thank the Trust for the update provided.  A further update will be requested in the September LEP Quality Report due by 30 September 2021.  This action plan is now closed.	Medium Impact / Medium Likelihood	Stage 3

#### Good Practice Items / Areas Working Well from Visit Report [if applicable]

Good Practice (includes areas of strength, good ideas and innovation in medical education and training):

- 1. The Teaching was highlighted as excellent, and all trainees can access all training provided.
- **2.** All trainees are very well supported by their trainers.
- 3. The daily huddle to discuss patient care and weekly governance meeting and the drive by all to improve this.

#### **Areas Working Well**

- 1. Excellent supervision.
- **2.** Supportive environment.

#### Impact, Likelihood & Risk

The above points have been graded by the Quality Management Group in accordance with the GMC's risk and status ratings below.

#### 'Impact'

Impact takes into account:

- Patient or trainee safety.
- The risk of trainees not progressing in their training.
- Education Experience. For example, the educational culture, the quality of formal / informal teaching etc.

An issue can be rated high, medium, or low impact according to the following situations:

High Impact: patients or trainees within the training environment are being put at risk of coming to harm. Or trainees are unable to achieve required outcomes due to poor quality of the training posts / programme.

Medium Impact: trainees are able to achieve required outcomes, but the quality of education and training is recognised as requiring improvement. Or patients within the training environment are receiving safe care, but the quality of their care is recognised as requiring improvement.

Low Impact: issues have a minimal impact on a trainee's education and training, or the quality of provision for the patient.

#### 'Likelihood'

Likelihood measures the frequency at which issues arise. For example, if a rota has a gap because of one-off last minute sickness absence, the likelihood of issues occurring as a result would be low.

High Likelihood: the issue occurs with enough frequency that patients or trainees could be put at risk on a regular basis. What is considered to be 'enough frequency' may vary depending on the issue. For example, if rotas have consistent gaps so that there is a lack of safe cover arrangements, the likelihood of issues arising as a result would be 'high'.

Medium Likelihood: the issue occurs with enough frequency that if left unaddressed could result in patient safety issues or affect the quality of education and training. For example, if the rota is normally full but there are no reliable arrangements to cover for sickness absence, the likelihood of issues arising as a result would be 'medium'.

Low Likelihood: the issue is unlikely to occur again. For example, if a rota has a gap because of several unexpected sickness absences occurring at once, the likelihood of issues arising as a result would be 'low'.

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#### 'Risk'

Risk if then determined by both the impact and likelihood and will result in a RAG rating according to the below matrix:

#### **Risk Rating**

LIKELIHOOD ↓			
$IMPACT \to$	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
LOW	GREEN	GREEN	AMBER
MEDIUM	GREEN	AMBER	RED
HIGH	AMBER	RED	RED

#### **Status Ratings**

Stage 1: **NEW CONCERN IDENTIFIED** - a concern has been identified and an action plan is not yet in place.

Stage 2: **PLAN IN PLACE** - an action plan for improvement is in place but has not been fully implemented and evaluated.

Stage 3: **PROGRESS BEING MONITORED** - there is continuing monitoring and evaluation of actions but no evidence of change has been demonstrated.

Stage 4: **CHANGE SUSTAINED** - actions have been implemented and there is evidence of improvement through monitoring.

Stage 5: **CLOSE CONCERN** - solutions are verified or there is evidence of sustained improvement over an appropriate time period. If this is an open item on the GMC Dean's Report, a request will be made to the GMC to close the concern.

#### New GMC Standards for Medical Education and Training [Promoting Excellence - Jan 2016]

Theme 1: Learning Environment & Culture	Theme 2: Educational Governance & Leadership	Theme 3: Supporting Learners	Theme 4: Supporting Educators	Theme 5: Developing and Implementing Curricula and Assessments
<b>S1.1:</b> The learning environment is safe for patients and supportive for learners and educators. The culture is caring, compassionate and provides a good standard of care and experience for patients, carers and families.	<b>S2.1:</b> The educational governance system continuously improves the quality and outcomes of education and training by measuring performance against our standards, demonstrating accountability, and responding when standards are not being met.	<b>S3.1:</b> Learners receive educational and pastoral support to be able to demonstrate what is expected in <i>Good Medical Practice</i> and to achieve the learning outcomes required by the curriculum.	S4.1: Educators are selected, inducted, trained, and appraised to reflect their education and training responsibilities.  S4.2: Educators receive the support, resources and time to meet their education and training responsibilities.	<b>S5.2:</b> Postgraduate curricula and assessments are implemented so that doctors in training are able to demonstrate what is expected in <i>Good Medical Practice</i> and to achieve the learning outcomes required by their curriculum.
<b>S1.2:</b> The learning environment and organisational culture value and support education and training so that learners are able to demonstrate what is expected in <i>Good Medical Practice</i> and to achieve the learning	<b>S2.2:</b> The educational and clinical governance systems are integrated, allowing organisations to address concerns about patient safety. <b>S2.3:</b> The educational governance system			

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Additional Comments from the Trust:								
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On Behalf of the Trust: Director of Medical Education								

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