

Management of GI Consequences of Cancer Treatment (on-line) *NEW MODULE*

Do you face the challenge of managing patients experiencing GI side effects following radiotherapy? This on-line module will enable you to assess and manage symptoms more effectively and improve the support and care you give to patients.

This innovative module has been developed in association with Dr. Jervoise Andreyev and the Gastrointestinal and Nutrition Team at The Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust.

This module is targeted at health care professionals who are directly involved in the treatment and management of complex treatment-induced late GI side effects, often as a result of pelvic radiotherapy. The module will introduce participants to a tool/algorithm that can assist in the diagnosis, management and care of this specific patient group. Students will have regular communication with expert online tutors along with interaction between other course participants, allowing networking opportunities with colleagues working in this field.

This is **not** a general module on GI cancer care and treatment. The School is currently developing a Gastro-Intestinal Cancers module which should be available in the academic year 2015/16. Please e-mail the School if you would like to be kept informed when this module is taking place.

Who is it for	Health care professionals including Doctors, Nurses, Allied Health Professionals, Gastroenterologists, GPs, Practice Nurses, Endoscopy Practitioners and Therapy Radiographers who will be working with patients experiencing late GI consequences of cancer treatment.
Duration	Equivalent to 5 days delivered on-line
Dates	On-line activities released weekly from 10 September to 4 November 2014. <i>(please note this module has been postponed from May 2014).</i> E-learning is made available on a weekly basis and students are expected to log in and participate in the activities each week.
Cost	£800 for academic year 2014/15 (overseas student prices will vary)
Academic credits	15 credits at level 6 (degree) or level 7 (master's) CPD accreditation applied for from the Royal College of Physicians
Assessment	Level 6: 2,000-word essay Level 7: 3,500-word essay

Key topics

- Diagnostic, management and treatment algorithm
- Aetiology of gastrointestinal radiation bowel disease
- Symptoms and patient presentation
- Assessment
- Investigation protocols
- Clinical decision making and diagnosis
- Dietary modification to improve symptoms
- Supporting patients
- Person-centred approaches to facilitate self management
- Service development

Entry requirements

Applicants must have recent experience working with patients experiencing radiation bowel disease following cancer treatment.

Moodle

This on-line module is delivered via the School's Virtual Learning Environment, Moodle. You will require the following to access Moodle:

- Compatible web browser to access Moodle
- Adobe Flash Player to view flash content
- Adobe Reader to view PDF documents
- Software that can open Microsoft Word documents

The David Adams Library based at The Royal Marsden School, London has computers equipped with the above software.

This stand-alone module also forms part of these programmes

BSc (Hons) in Cancer Care

Graduate Diploma in Cancer Care

Post Graduate Certificate Healthcare Practice (Cancer)

Post Graduate Diploma Healthcare Practice (Cancer)

MSc Healthcare Practice (Cancer)

To apply

Before submitting an application, please contact one of our Programme Leaders, Alex West-Oram or Jacquie Woodcock, to discuss the suitability of the module to your clinical and professional needs on 020 7808 2910.

To apply, please complete an application form and return it to the School. Application forms can be printed from our website or requested from the School.