

Summary of Progress – Aug 2009 Update

The purpose of this document is to summarize the progress of the APP programmes.

Work stream 2009

Specialist Curriculum Group (SCG) (formerly Specialist Board)

- 6 meetings from January chaired by a Senior NHS Chair.
- The last meeting was held on the 13th July chaired by a Senior NHS Chair.
- The Working Groups for Mental Health, Care of Older people, Critical Care and MI submitted their curriculums at the 15th June meeting. The SCG agreed on the Critical Care one and approved with minor amendments all the rest presented.
- SCG documents in progress:
 - SCG FAQs
 - ACLF tables new format
 - Assessments
 - Care of Older People Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - Paediatrics Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - Mental Health Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - Medicines Information Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - HIV Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - Quality and Risk Management Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - Gastro and Hepatology Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - Surgery Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - General Medicine Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - Community Services Professional Development Programme Handbook
 - Procurement Professional Development Programme Handbook
- SCG documents approved:
 - Terms of Reference
 - Memo of Understanding
 - Clinical Specialities Professional Development Programme Handbook (template)
 - Specific clinical specialities Handbook for Specialist and Advanced Practice (template)
 - Professional Development Programme Handbook (template)
 - Advice for Working Groups on completion of PDP and related documents
 - Critical Care Professional Development Programme Handbook
- Next meeting: 23rd September (11am). Venue TBC. Agenda will be sent nearer the time.
- Link to previous minutes and agendas:
 - January meeting [Agenda](#) [Minutes](#)
 - March meeting [Agenda](#) [Minutes](#)
 - April meeting [Agenda](#) [Minutes](#)
 - June meeting [Agenda](#) [Minutes](#)
 - July meeting [Agenda](#) [Minutes](#)

APP Programme Progress

- All groups working independently in their PDP and the syllabus using templates provided.
- New groups who recently started working on their documents include Risk, Surgery, General Medicine, Community Services, Gastro/Hepatology and Procurement.
- Previous month updates are also available from the website. [Link to website](#)
- [Advice for Working Groups on completion of PDP and related documents](#)
- [Professional Development Programme for Clinical Specialities](#)
- [Professional Development Programme Handbook - template](#)
- [Specific clinical Speciality Handbook for Specialist Advanced Practice - template](#)

MSc in Advanced Pharmacy Practice (Fast Track programme) 2008/2009

- 6 Learning Sets to date in 2009.
- The last LS of this year's programme was held on the 14th July and focused on the Leadership and Management cluster.
- [Link to Learning Sets dates](#)
- [Link to Submission dates](#)

MSc in Advanced Pharmacy Practice (Fast Track programme) 2009/2010

- Application forms for the 2009/2010 Fast Track programme are now available <http://www.jobsoutheast.org/advanced-programme/>
- Applications deadline: 2nd September. Course starting in October.

Organisations and individuals who support the development of the APP Programme:

- CHRE
- Department of Health
- TransCom and Nigel Clarke
- Education Committee RPSGB
- UKCPA
- Guild of Healthcare Pharmacists
- SPMs, PCT leads

Where we are now

- MSc in Pharmacy Practice (fast-track programme) for experienced practitioners (Band 8) currently running:
 - To ensure practitioners able to facilitate/mentor practitioners on the full programme from 2009
 - To facilitate senior pharmacist development
 - To test the Excellence level core provision of the APP Programme
 - To fine-tune the assessment process of Excellence level core competencies
- Next MSc in Pharmacy Practice (fast-track programme) for Band 8 practitioners starting in October 2009 (Application forms available <http://www.jobsoutheast.org/advanced-programme/>)
- WGs currently working on defining the experience, syllabus content and learning outcomes required for practitioners to progress to Foundation & Excellence level
- WGs consulting with relevant national groups/colleagues
- Work underway to support/facilitate development of the APP Programme:-
 - ACLF Master Mapping document**
 - APP Programme Principles document**
 - APP Programme Structure document**
 - APP Programme Handbook**
 - APP (fast-track) Programme APL/APEL Guidance**
 - APP Programme Portfolio Guidance**
 - Marketing strategy documents**
 - Validation documents**
 - MSC in Pharmacy Practice (APP fast-track programme) course handbook 2009/10**
 - Working Groups progress document**
 - MSc PP-document with important dates**
 - APP document for School of Pharmacy prospectus**
 - APP Ground rules**
 - APP Tutor Guide**
 - SPMs report (feedback from Fast Track 2008/09)**
 - APP Programme website <http://www.jobsoutheast.org/advanced-programme/>**
 - SCG website <http://www.specialistcurriculumgroup.org/>**

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