

UNISON Continuing Professional Development Programme

August – December 2010

ASIST Suicide Intervention Training

Wed 25th & Thurs 26th August 9.30am – 4.30pm, Belfast

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) is a two day training course. It will facilitate participants to be ready and able to help people in suicide crisis situations. It supports participants to better understand the signs of individuals under stress and be aware of their own ability and limitations to intervene. It is delivered by the West Belfast Suicide Awareness and Support Group.

Slips, Trips & Broken Hips

Wed 29th Sept 10am – 4pm, Belfast

This workshop will explore both fall prevention and the care of older people returning to care homes after sustaining a fracture. This is ideal for those working in acute, residential and home care environments. It will be delivered by Denise Donnelly, fracture nurse

Lymphoedema Awareness

Tues 5th Oct 10am – 1pm, Belfast

This workshop will enable participants to understand the causes, symptoms and treatments of lymphoedema. It is designed for any health care professional, including nurses, health care assistants, home care workers, AHPs and social workers. It will be delivered by Elaine Stowe, nurse specialist, Lymphoedema Network Northern Ireland

Legal and Professional Issues of Record Keeping for Health Care Professionals

Mon 18th Oct, 10am – 4pm, Belfast

This workshop is targeted at health care professionals. It will look at the legal and professional accountability including NMC, HPC and NISCC guidelines, consent, confidentiality, documentation and negligence. It will be delivered by barrister and nurse tutor Rosemary Wilson, Beeches Management Centre

Day to Day Management of Diabetes

Wed 13th Oct 10am – 4pm, Belfast

Wed 20th Oct 10am – 4pm, Derry

During this one day seminar participants will gain understanding of the different types of diabetes and the impact it has on adults and children. Using case studies participants will consider good practice in day to day management of the disease. It is targeted at health and school based members. Delivered by Patricia Dunne: Nurse Practitioner/Lecturer ex. Open University Tutor.

Alternative Education

Tues 2nd Nov, 10am – 1pm Belfast

This workshop will present the case study of the Lagan Valley Education Project, which through funding from education and social care, offers vulnerable young people the opportunity to come off the streets and engage in educational activities. This project is unique in that it is located in a single identity area but crosses the sectarian divide. It explores the impact of education outside school - socially and emotionally as well as intellectually. It offers learning for those working in education, youth and community, social work and juvenile justice. It will be delivered by Helen Evans, Open University.

COT Specialist Section Workshop

Tues 2nd Nov 6.30 – 8.30pm, Belfast

The College of Occupational Therapy in partnership with University of Ulster and UNISON are hosting a workshop to support OTs and OT support staff to get involved in existing specialist sections or propose new ones. Specialist Sections are groups of occupational therapists and occupational therapy staff with a common practice interest. Louise Cusack, the Specialist Section Manager from COT in London and committee members from NI branches of the Specialists Sections will be there to offer advice and answer any questions. Refreshments will be served. Check out website for more details.

Rights at Work for Staff in GP Practices

Sat 6th Nov 10am – 1pm, Belfast

This workshop will explore the rights which staff in GP practices have including terms and conditions, employment rights, leave entitlement, pensions, training, protection against bullying and harassment. This session is open to members and non members. It will be delivered by UNISON staff.

Promoting Public Health

Tues 16th Nov 10am – 4pm, Belfast

Multi-disciplinary public health has become a major focus of our working lives. The current high priority given to understanding the social determinants of health and well-being and to tackling health inequalities makes public health , 'everybody's business'. This workshop will be of interest to anyone who would like to incorporate public health practice into their current role, it will provide participants with an overview of multidisciplinary public health, incorporating user involvement in practice and developing communication skills. It will be delivered by Sharon Henry, OU with input from Dr Naresh Chadra, DHSSPS

Dementia and Environmental Design - Practical Interventions that work

Wed 24th Nov 10am – 4pm, Belfast

Good environmental design can help people with dementia to remain more independent for longer. This course will share practical low cost interventions that work and tell you why they do. The content of the day will include the experience of the person with dementia, the principles of good design, and will include information on signage, interiors, outside space and assistive technology. This course is suited to clinicians and managers in a wide range of settings, such as nurses, care workers, OTs, supported living members, estates services and maintenance personnel. Delivered by Dementia Services Development Centre

Discourses in Autism Assessment and Diagnosis

Wed 8th Dec 10am – 1pm, Belfast

This workshop will explore the language professionals in health and education use to engage with parents around autism assessment and diagnosis and the impact this has on parents and service users. It is targeted at any member working with service users on the autistic spectrum and their parents but may also be relevant to professionals communicating on a wider range of issues. It will be delivered by Karen Hagan, Open University.

Record Keeping & Security

Wed 15th Dec 10am – 1pm, Belfast

This workshop aims to equip staff with a sound understanding of how to manage information securely and competently on a day-to-day basis and ensuring legal and commercial responsibilities are understood. It will include topics such as dealing with requests for DPA and FOI and dealing with breaches in data security. It is targeted at admin staff in health trusts, GP practices and care homes. It will be delivered by Denise Lynd, General Manager, HSC Records, Belfast Trust

Unless stated, courses are only available to UNISON members and are free. Evening guest lectures are open to the general public. Lunch is provided for daytime courses but travel expenses are not available.

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