Evaluating Evidence and Effecting Change

This module enables students to critically engage with the contemporary understanding of evidence-based practice in order to improve the application of evidence to practice.

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| Facilitator   | Dr Chris Boyes | • Tuesday 24 November 2020  
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Module outline

Professionals working in health and/or social care services are expected to be able to locate and critique relevant evidence to maintain and improve the quality of the service delivered. Despite the prominence of the notion of evidence-based practice, it is widely recognized that the application of evidence to practice is complex and involves a number of challenges that are often ignored.

Cochrane reviews, for example, recognize difficulties at a number of levels, including the formulation of questions, the use of knowledge brokers and opinion leaders, and organizational infrastructure. It is therefore essential that professionals critically engage with contemporary understanding of EBP in order to improve the application of evidence to practice.

Learning outcomes

• Critically reflect on current service provision so as to identify areas of improvement  
• Critically analyse evidence and the methods on which it is based  
• Discerningly apply evidence so to bring about service improvement

Assessment

100% Evaluative report and implementation plan (5,000 words)

Who should attend

The programme is attractive to anyone working in a health and social care setting with a desire to build on their knowledge and practical experience through relevant multi-professional learning and research.

The professional group attracted to these courses include a wide range of professions from across the health and social care field, including: Occupational Therapists, Physiotherapists, Nurses, Social Workers, Care Workers, a range of Health and Social Care professionals, Medical Staff and Podiatrists.

Further study

This module is a core module on all the health and social care masters and postgraduate certificate programmes.

We offer individual postgraduate modules to meet your particular CPD needs or as the beginning of your postgraduate journey to a PG Cert or MSc. Evaluating Evidence and Effecting Change is an excellent place to start, enabling you to follow the evidence-based practice approach to critique evidence and apply your findings to improve your practice or service. Other modules enable you to develop as a leader or transform your practice through the application of a health coaching approach.