 

Practice Supervisor/Practice Assessor Newsletter December 2021

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Can I be a Practice Assessor?

The decision as to who the Practice Assessors are is that of your line manager however we recommend that you have 6-12 months experience as a Practice Supervisor before taking on the role of Practice Assessor. Your manager may wish you to take on this role sooner and they can update your status on InPlace.

There are Practice Assessor drop-in sessions available. The sessions are not compulsory however if you feel you need to enhance your skills or require an update then you may wish to attend one of the sessions.

See fact sheet 3 for further information



Practice Supervision & Practice Assessor preparation for nurses (not for midwives currently)

We have now returned to delivering our two-day practice supervisor preparation course in the classroom in addition to transition and practice assessor drop-in sessions. We continue to also deliver the transition sessions via Teams (Dates for 2022 attached). To access any of the sessions or courses please email [pef@bangor.ac.uk](mailto:pef@bangor.ac.uk) with your name, place of work, e mail address and which course you with to complete.

We are currently awaiting confirmation of dates for next year for Central and West (dates for East attached), your details will be added to our waiting list and we will contact you once we have confirmed dates. 

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We are the Practice Education Facilitators (PEFs) for Powys Teaching Health Board. Our role is to support Practice Supervisors, Practice Assessors, Academic Assessors, and student nurses. We work closely with practitioners in the clinical setting, and in partnership with colleagues in our partner universities. An important part of our role is providing advice on student learning in clinical practice, and implementation of the NMC Standards for Student Supervision and Assessment in Practice.

We are also developing new practice learning experiences within Powys across all fields of nursing and in both the hospital and community setting. This has included community mental health teams, health visiting, and practice nursing. We also support existing learning experiences by taking an active role in the biennial educational audits, preparing Practice Supervisors/Assessors, and coordinating the placement of students.

Support

We are currently unable to make routine visits to clinical areas however we are still here to support you. If you have anything you need to ask us or require support with please contact the PEF team at the e mail below. If you would prefer to speak to a member of the team please include a contact number and someone will contact you.

**Contact the Team**

To contact a member of the Practice Education Facilitator team (PEF’s) direct with any issues, concerns or queries regarding students, placements etc. please use the generic mail [pef@bangor.ac.uk](mailto:pef@bangor.ac.uk)

**Radiography Pef Team**

The radiography pef’s can be contacted as below:

Tom works on Mondays to Wednesdays and is available at [t.graham@bangor.ac.uk](mailto:t.graham@bangor.ac.uk). Katy works Wednesdays to Thursdays and is available at [katy.roberts@bangor.ac.uk](mailto:katy.roberts@bangor.ac.uk) . Miv also works Wednesday to Fridays and is available at [miv.davies@bangor.ac.uk](mailto:miv.davies@bangor.ac.uk).

**Midwifery Team**

NMC approval visit for the Bangor University Midwifery Programme.

We are very pleased to inform you that we had a successful NMC & Bangor University (BU) conjoined approval event on the 29th of November 2021 for the Bachelor of Midwifery (Hons) undergraduate programme. The programme is recommended to the NMC subject on one NMC & BU condition (and two minor University conditions). We received a commendation for strong student engagement in curriculum development. We would like to thank everyone who was part of the process and for your ongoing support. The new Midwifery programme will commence September 2022. There will be two intakes going forward (one in September, and one in January – starting January 2023).

Midwifery Practice Assessment Document

We are also very pleased to inform you that the new midwifery practice assessment document (MPAD) developed by the “Once for Wales” collaboration team has been approved. Training will commence on this new document from February 2022 onwards. Some of you have been involved in the process and development of this new document and we would like to thank you for your contribution and engagement.

Ongoing Practice Supervisor (PS), Designated practice Supervisors (DPS) & Practice Assessor (PA) preparation.

From January 2022 we are looking forward to providing training sessions within midwifery mandatory training as part of your ongoing preparation (and future updates) as Practice Supervisors, Designated Practice Supervisors and Practice Assessors. The training will include pre-course reading and attendance at an online drop in session details of which will be circulated in the mandatory training programme details.

We would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and thank you for your ongoing support and supervision of students.

The midwifery education team are here to support you. If you have anything you need to ask us or require support, please contact the link tutor (or PEF) in your area:

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As we see another strange and busy year come to an end, we would like to thank you for your ongoing support and wish you and your family a merry Christmas and a happy, healthy new year.





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