

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title Midwifery Practice: Intrapartum Care	
2	Module Credits	15
3	Module Level	4
4	Module Code	MID4010

5 Module Overview

Relationship with Programme Philosophy and Aims

The philosophy of the midwifery programme is to develop students with the ability to practice safely, effectively and proficiently resulting in them being fit to practice at the point of registration. This module equips students with knowledge of anatomy, physiology and pharmacology relevant to intrapartum care, linking key clinical skills required for safe midwifery practice.

This links to the Aim of the programme by facilitating theory and clinical skills relevant to intrapartum care for the first year of the programme.

6 Indicative Content

Valuing women, Including the 6C's, communication skills with women, their families and other professionals, and partnership working.

Normal labour – including recognising the onset of labour, care in the first stage, normalising labour (Back to Basics)/Positions in labour

Normal birth, mechanism of labour skills for active birth, abdominal assessment, vaginal examination, signs of progress of labour

Third stage of labour including active and physiological management.

Ascertain well-being of mother, identification of abnormalities and thresholds for referral

Appropriate care planning in relation to women's assessed needs, context and culture

Ascertain well-being of foetus and identification of abnormalities, using a Pinard / sonicaid as appropriate.

Pain management: Non- medical/ Water birth/Medical

Use appropriate documentation for example: Partogram, MEOWS.

Initial assessment of the neonate, Apgar score and initial examination, identification of abnormalities and thresholds for referral

Promotion of skin to skin contact at birth, initiation of lactation/promotion of mother baby relationship/psychological and emotional responses to birth.



Understand the potential impact of delivery room practices on the well-being of mother and baby, and the establishment of breastfeeding in particular.

Role of the midwife during Intrapartum care.

Principles of normal intrapartum care provision as per national guidelines

Relevant Medicines Management for the Intra-partum period

Multi-disciplinary working

7	M	Module Learning Outcomes			
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:				
	1	Demonstrate application of relevant anatomy and physiology during the intrapartum period.			
	2	Demonstrate safe medicine management of drugs used in the intrapartum period.			
	3	Apply knowledge and understanding of evidence-based midwifery care during the intra-			
		partum period.			
	4	Discuss the role of the midwife, including the principles of public health during the			
		intrapartum period.			

8	Module Asse	essment			
Learning Outcome					
		Coursework	Exam	In-Person	
1 - 4				X	

9 Breakdown Learning and	Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities		
Learning Activities	Hours		
Scheduled Learning (SL)	30		
includes lectures, practical classes			
and workshops, peer group learning,			
Graduate+, as specified in timetable			
Directed Learning (DL)	0		
includes placements, work-based			
learning, external visits, on-line			
activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as			
directed on VLE			
Private Study (PS)	120		
includes preparation for exams			
Total Study Hours:	150		