

## Module Specification

### Module Summary Information

<b>1</b>	<b>Module Title</b>	Supporting Vulnerable Women and Families
<b>2</b>	<b>Module Credits</b>	15
<b>3</b>	<b>Module Level</b>	6
<b>4</b>	<b>Module Code</b>	MID6026

<b>5</b>	<b>Module Overview</b>
<p>Based on the social model of care which underpins the curriculum, this module will encourage the development of the knowledge and skills, needed to recognise and then respond compassionately, holistically and competently to childbearing women and their families, who are living with complex needs.</p> <p>Vulnerability will be framed in terms of social and sexual health risk factors for maternity and infant outcomes, within the context of a constantly evolving spectrum of psychosocial, physical, cultural and spiritual diversity that midwives encounter within contemporary UK society.</p> <p>Within the module you will have opportunities to explore how, within the multidisciplinary team, professionals may work in partnership with vulnerable women and their families, to offer competent maternity care, appropriately tailored to individual needs and circumstances.</p> <p>Your understanding of the main principles underpinning caring for these groups of women will be assessed using a Viva Voce examination.</p> <p>The department hope that you find the modules stimulating and insightful, providing you with a sound base to build your knowledge within this aspect of a Midwives role. You are however, strongly advised to not just rely on the shared information within the taught sessions but to use the study time to read further on contemporary issues that exist within our ever- evolving society.</p>	

<b>6</b>	<b>Indicative Content</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sexual health</li> <li>• Infertility</li> <li>• Mental health and the impact on perinatal period</li> <li>• Physical disabilities</li> <li>• Learning disabilities</li> <li>• Motherhood and extremes of age</li> <li>• Social and/or cultural risk factors e.g. Poverty, Complex Social Needs, Non English speaking women, Migrant women, Female Genital mutilation, Surrogacy, Toxic Trio (Mental Health, Domestic violence and Substance Misuse), Travellers, Women seeking asylum, Sex workers &amp; Trafficking.</li> </ul>	

7		Module Learning Outcomes
		<b>On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:</b>
	1	Apply acquired knowledge to recognise, and undertake woman centred holistic risk assessments of childbearing women presenting with social, or sexual health risk factors.
	2	Respond with appropriately individualised care and support for vulnerable women and their families, including appropriate health promotion, MDT referral/liaison and signposting.
	3	Critically evaluate the provision of care that vulnerable women experience, within the context of contemporary maternity, health and social care services.
	4	Appraise contemporary high quality evidence to inform clinical judgment, health promotion and the use of support resources to care for vulnerable women.

8		Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome				
		Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1 – 4				X

9		Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities
Learning Activities		Hours
<b>Scheduled Learning (SL)</b> includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable		35
<b>Directed Learning (DL)</b> includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE		75
<b>Private Study (PS)</b> includes preparation for exams		40
<b>Total Study Hours:</b>		150