

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Community Based Practice
2	Module Credits	20
3	Module Level	4
4	Module Code	PAR4013

5	Module Overview
<p>This module is designed to allow you to explore how biopsychosocial models and determinants of health, including the factors that influence social differences, needs and inequality, impact on an individual in health and illness. This will enable you to explore these issues in relation to the role of the paramedic and enable you to apply these in context to promote compassionate, effective care in the clinical practice setting.</p> <p>In this module you will develop an understanding of the physical, social and psychological factors relating to the care and management of special patient groups with a specific focus on mental health, the older adult and end of life (EOL) care in the community. You will gain an awareness of the influence which policy and governmental drivers can have on the delivery of care for patients and develop a holistic approach to the assessment of patients as a partner in the care process using an evidence based approach.</p> <p>Underpinning this is the development of the knowledge and skills of history taking in assessing patients' health status; knowledge of physiology, pathophysiology and aetiology to the process of health assessment specific to the older adult, EOL and mental health patient.</p> <p>The programme is delivered in block weeks of study interspersed with block weeks of clinical practice placements allowing you to implement your theory into practice through immersive learning.</p> <p>A variety of teaching and learning methods will be used throughout this module, these include, keynote lectures, action learning, problem based learning, individual and group tutorials, directed and self-directed study.</p> <p>A thematic approach to learning will allow the integration of different subject areas with the concept of caring for patients. This will be supported by use of the Faculty's Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) / Moodle.</p>	

6	Indicative Content
	Biomedical ethics Mental Capacity Act Patient advocacy empowerment and autonomy Social differences, needs and inequality Biopsychosocial and Consultation models Culture, race, gender, sexuality and spirituality and its role in forming therapeutic relationships Introduction to Psychology for the 'ill' patient Introduction to mental health conditions Delirium and Dementia Abuse and neglect Assessment and Management of conditions associated with the older adult The Aging process and Differences in anatomy & physiology Assessment and Management of conditions associated with the older adult (Poly-pharmacy, Co-morbidities, Vulnerability and Abuse) Consideration of alternative care pathways End of Life Care Recognising and managing stress, depression and anxiety

7	Module Learning Outcomes	
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:	
	1	Utilises a critical approach to identify the needs of different client groups, taking into consideration biopsychosocial, environmental, cultural, occupational and economic factors.
	2	Identifies appropriate ethical, legal and professional judgement to recognise situations where quality of care may be compromised and takes the appropriate risk reduction/management strategies.
	3	Explores collaborative working practices in the pre-hospital setting for vulnerable groups and patients with long-term conditions.

8	Module Assessment		
Learning Outcome			
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person
1-3			X

9 Breakdown Learning and Teaching Activities	
Learning Activities	Hours
Scheduled Learning (SL) includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, peer group learning, Graduate+, as specified in timetable	40
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	60
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	100
Total Study Hours:	200