

Module Specification

Module Summary Information

1	Module Title	Prescribing for Community Health Nurses V100
2	Module Credits	15
3	Module Level	6
4	Module Code	PHE6028

5 Module Overview

Relationship with Programme Philosophy and Aims

The programme philosophy is one which advocates the importance of developing knowledge and skills necessary to be responsive to the changing demands in primary care. This module is consistent with this philosophy since it aims to provide students with an opportunity to develop knowledge and skills to prescribe safely and effectively from the Nurse Prescribers' Formulary for Community Practitioners.

Students will be provided with skills to undertake a prescribing event demonstrating expertise in care provision, communication and compassion. Acting at all times within competency, guidelines and protocols students will have developed skills enabling them to actively seek health promotion opportunities.

6 Indicative Content

- Consultation, decision-making, therapy and referral
- Influences on, and psychology of, prescribing
- Prescribing in a team context
- Clinical pharmacology, including the effects of co-morbidity
- Evidence-based practice and clinical governance in relation to nurse prescribing
- Legal, policy and ethical aspects
- Professional accountability and responsibility
- Prescribing in the public health context

7	Module Learning Outcomes			
	On successful completion of the module, students will be able to:			
	1	Demonstrate the skills required to assess and consult with patient/clients, parents and		
		carers seeking opportunities to provide health promotion advice.		
	2	Using enhanced communication skills undertake a thorough history, including medication		
		history and current medication (including OTC, alternative and complementary health		
		therapies) to inform diagnosis across the age continuum.		
	3	Understand and apply the relevant legislation to the practice of V100 prescribing.		
	4	Critically appraise, use sources of information/advice and decision support systems in		
		prescribing practice to improve nursing care.		
	5	Understand the influences that can affect prescribing practice, and demonstrate your		
		understanding by managing your prescribing practice in an ethical and compassionate way.		
	6	Understand and apply knowledge of drug actions in prescribing practice to include		
		numerical skills.		
	7	Demonstrate an understanding of the roles and relationships of others involved in		
		prescribing, supplying and administering medicines.		
	8	Prescribe safely, appropriately and cost effectively.		



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Practise as a V100 prescriber within a framework of professional accountability and responsibility.

8 Module Assessment					
Learning					
Outcome					
	Coursework	Exam	In-Person		
1	X				
2	X				
3	X				
4	X				
5	X				
6		X			
7	X				
8	X				
9	X				

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	63 hours	
Directed Learning (DL) includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning, as directed on VLE	2 hours	
Private Study (PS) includes preparation for exams	85 hours	
Total Study Hours:	150 hours	