

College of Medical, Veterinary & Life Sciences Nursing & Health Care School

Graduate Certificate: Burns & Plastic Surgery Care for Adults & Paediatrics

60 credits at graduate level (level 3, SCQF level 9) for all 3 courses 20 credits per course for credited continuing professional development Fees: £705 per course

Course Rationale

The Graduate Certificate in Burns and Plastic Surgery Care for Adults and Paediatrics has a strong clinical focus that is supported through involvement and collaborative work with practitioners. These specialties are concerned with the initial treatment and subsequent repair and reconstruction of lost, injured or deformed/diseased parts of the body. Physical and psycho-social rehabilitation post-injury is a large remit of professionals working in a burns and plastic surgery unit.

Background of the Course

The speciality of burn injury and reconstructive plastic surgery care is concerned with initial treatment and subsequent repair and reconstruction of lost, injured and deformed/diseased parts of the body. The physical, emotional and psycho-social reaction to burn injury or conditions requiring plastic surgery intervention, require practitioners to have an advanced level of knowledge, skills and understanding to meet the challenges required for caring for this patient group. The Graduate Certificate in Burns and Plastic Surgery for Adults and Paediatrics aims to enable practitioners to meet the challenges presented in caring for patients within this speciality by

developing an enhanced level of knowledge and clinical decision making through research based learning and independent study.

As a precursor to the development of the Graduate Certificate in Burns and Plastic surgery: Adults and Paediatrics a questionnaire was sent to staff caring for burn and plastic surgery patients within Scotland of whom 96% respondents perceived the need for the course

Course aims

The Graduate Certificate in Burns and Plastic Surgery Care for Adults and Paediatrics aims to:

- Develop a broad knowledge base and understanding of the principle features that health care professionals require to manage patients with burn injury and those undergoing plastic surgery
- Provide educational basis to critically evaluate the delivery of care to patients with burn injury and undergoing plastic surgery
- Develop a sound understanding of the physical and psychological impact that burn injury or conditions requiring plastic and reconstructive surgery has on quality of life

Learning Outcomes

Principles of reconstructive plastic surgery and burn injury care

• (2-4th September 2019)

Apply the anatomy and physiology of the skin and underlying structures to burn injuries and all conditions requiring reconstructive plastic surgery

Plastic and reconstructive surgery: adults and paediatrics

• (2-4th December 2019)

Evaluate the physical, psychological and psychosocial impact of disease, trauma and subsequent plastic and reconstructive surgery

Burn injury: adults and paediatrics

• (9-11th March 2020)

Identify and evaluate the acute and long term, multi professional management of patients with burn injury

Timetable

One block of 3 mandatory taught days supported by online learning

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