



## Nurse Education & Practice Development



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## **About St Vincent's University Hospital**

St Vincent's Hospital was founded by Mother Mary Aikenhead foundress of the Religious Sisters of Charity and established at St Stephen's Green in 1834. The hospital transferred to its present site in Elm Park in 1970 and subsequently changed its title to St Vincent's University Hospital in 1999.

St. Michael's Hospital, Dun Laoghaire was founded in 1876 and governed by the Sisters of Mercy. Transfer of ownership of St. Michael's to the Religious Sisters of Charity took place in March 2001 in exchange for the Children's Hospital, Temple Street.

St. Vincent's University Hospital is a major academic teaching hospital. We provide a front line emergency service and national/regional medical care at inpatient and outpatient level. St. Vincent's University Hospital provides in excess of forty medical specialities. The hospital has approx. 600 in-patient beds, incorporating 7-day, 5-day and day care options. St Vincent's University Hospital is a health promoting hospital. Education and research are major components of the philosophy of St. Vincent's University Hospital.

Facilities are provided for the academic and clinical training of medical students, nurses, laboratory technicians, research scientists, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, radiographers, medical social workers, dieticians and speech therapists. St Vincent's University Hospital is a NO SMOKING hospital. Visitors are prohibited from smoking on the premises. Patients and staff are discouraged from smoking and only permitted to do so at specific times in designated areas.

## **Our Mission**

St Vincent's Healthcare Group is a non-profit group that is trusted by patients to provide best care through an expert team with the right processes and resources, and an approach that ensures each patient has access to the right treatment.

#### 1. Best patient care

We will provide the highest quality patient care, always recognising our values of human dignity, compassion, justice, quality and advocacy. We will treat patients with warmth, empathy and understanding and respect their concerns, feelings and expectations.

#### Best team and resources

We will strive to recruit and retain excellent people at all levels, and to ensure they work with modern and efficient facilities and technologies to deliver best outcomes for all our patients. We will deliver comprehensive programmes of research and education involving leading medical colleges.

#### 3. Best processes

We will maintain a healthy and safe environment and provide a healthcare service that is efficient and cost-effective, so that we deliver the best possible return for monies invested. Our hospitals will be well managed and accredited to the best international standards.

#### 4. Best approach

We support an integrated model of healthcare for Ireland and we recognise our responsibility to work with others to make that a reality and to ensure all patients have access to the right medical treatment regardless of race, religion or ability to pay



Geraldine Regan Director of Nursing

## **Nurse Education and Practice Development (NEPD) Philosophy**

Underpinning our philosophy are the Nursing and Midwifery values of Compassion, Care and Commitment, whose associated behaviours are the essence of Nursing and Midwifery practice and form the basis for professional decision making and actions.

The Nurse Education and Practice Development Department philosophy is based on the three philosophical principles of Careful Nursing ©:



#### 1. Understanding who we are as professional nurses

Patient safety and the delivery of high quality care by competent nurses is always the priority. Nursing education promotes lifelong learning and continual personal and professional development to enable nurses to be effective decision-makers in practice. We support, guide and encourage all nurses as they gain knowledge, skills and attitudes to be competent clinical practitioners using Biggs (1996) model of constructive alignment in curriculum design to develop all nursing education in this Centre.

#### 2. Understanding who our patients are and the nature of our relationship with them

We have a strong team spirit and together we strive to create partnership with our patients, colleagues in the clinical areas and with all other disciplines to encourage a person-centred approach to care. We will continue to develop nursing practice with an enthusiastic and positive attitude and ensure the specific clinical education needs are analysed and addressed as they relate to each patient in our care.

#### 3. Understanding how we think about health

Nurses as learners are self-motivated and engage proactively in their own learning. Learners are encouraged to build on their own body of knowledge based on individual experience and to apply this knowledge directly to the health care environment. We aspire to continually develop and maintain best practice in nursing and endeavour to promote continuous quality improvement in patient care.

## **Curriculum Framework**

The starting point for creating learning opportunities is to clarify the competence or learning outcome that the person must demonstrate (Biggs, 1996; Botma, Van Rensburg, Coetzee, & Heyns, 2015). The process of competence is achieved by activating foundational knowledge, with procedural knowledge and conditional knowledge to become functional knowledge in performing the skill required (Biggs, 1996). Constructive alignment theory focuses on the learning system as a whole, the mechanism of aligning all of the components of learning activity that is systems of teaching, learning and assessing (Biggs & Tang, 2012).



Mary Ryder
Director of Nurse
Education & Practice
Development

In the context of post-registration continuing professional development learning will occur in a facilitative relationship where participant's will be given clear guidelines and objectives to develop or enhance identified skills and competencies (Timmins, 2008). The teachers will act as facilitators to learning, participant's will be provided with some learning sources but encouraged to also self-select additional sources and will also be required to self-assess during the process with a competency assessment at the summation (Mazmanian & Feldman, 2011; Murad, Coto-Yglesias, Varkey, Prokop, & Murad, 2010). In a professional capacity however, learning differs in that expectation of nurses' competency is pre-set and are required to perform at a specific competent level (Timmins, 2008).

## **Teaching and Learning**

Creating active learning experiences is the role of the teacher. Participant focused teaching and active learning incorporates a variety of learning activities (Pickering and Roberts, 2018, Betihavas et al., 2016, te Pas et al., 2016). This process involves proving new material outside the classroom and face-to-face time is devoted to the application of knowledge to skills. This is the foundational principle on which a learning unit is built. The learning unit allows the participant to actively construct new knowledge at their own pace in an environment of their choosing. Selecting a learning unit to complete is done in collaboration with nurse managers, who determine appropriate units for their specific clinical environment. Some learning units are a precursor to commencing a skill that will require additional supervision and assessment to demonstrate competence in the clinical area. Other learning units are linked with a specified course and therefore embedded in additional assessments to amalgamate a number of units for incremental learning in a specialist area.

## **Nurse Education Centre**

The aim of the Nurse Education Centre in St. Vincent's University Hospital is to ensure clinical practice is at the forefront of all nursing education. We value nursing professional development and provide education for all levels within the Nursing Department. We believe well educated and clinically strong nurses will deliver the highest standard of care for our patients. Our hospital mission and values help us put our patients at the centre of everything we do, by valuing human dignity, compassion, justice, quality and advocacy. Our collective mission is to strive to maintain excellence in clinical care, education and research.

The Director of the Centre for Education and Practice Development, Ms. Mary Ryder, is a joint appointment with St. Vincent's and University College Dublin (UCD), School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems. This allows for stronger links and greater collaboration between our nursing department and our partner university.

What support is available?

All staff are encouraged to apply yearly to the Director of Nursing for assistance with funding and study leave for courses. We provide clinical support from senior nurses in the hospital called Clinical Facilitators. These nurses offer education and bedside support to help staff develop their knowledge and skills in clinical practice. Support is also available from the Clinical Nurse Specialists and Advanced Nurse Practitioners attached to each speciality.

In the Nurse Education Centre we have a group of experienced Registered Nurse Tutors who coordinate and teach a multitude of in-house and university accredited programmes, and are available to advise staff on their academic studies.



Nurse Education team



Nurse Practice Development team

## **Nurse Practice Development**

The Nursing Practice Development Department focuses on developing and supporting staff with evidence based practice standards across the hospital. The department is led by Ms. Carolyn Donohoe, the Assistant Director of Nursing and Practice Coordinator.

As an academic teaching hospital, we provide excellent clinical placements for undergraduate nursing students for the General Programme, the combined Children's' & General and Programmes and the Mental Health Nursing Programme. We have Clinical Placement Coordinators to support the students and help clinical staff provide a positive learning environment and culture of continuous education.

For qualified staff, the Nursing Practice Development team provide short skills based courses and ward based learning sessions and support. If you have a clinical query, we are at the end of the telephone and will do our best to point you in the right direction and address your learning needs.

We have a wealth of up-to-date clinical polices, guidelines and procedures, which are evidence based and available on all computers in the hospital. New staff to the hospital are provided with a group orientation on their first day, followed by a variety of practice induction programmes, and we work with you to ensure it suits your individual needs.

There are opportunities for clinical staff to take on fixed term project work and develop a whole new range of skills.



The Clinical Placement Co-ordinator team

## **Definitions**

#### **Programme**

This is a defined set of learning units available within the organisation.

#### Course

This is a series of learning units in a particular subject, leading to an examination or qualification.

#### **Learning Units**

These set out directives for a particular unit of study, usually on one topic. The nurse as participant studies the topic online, supported by recommended reading, websites and video clips and attends a workshop to consolidate the learning. Assessment for competence in the skill/activity may be required after the workshop.

#### **Workshop**

Usually a brief intensive educational session for a relatively small group of people that focuses especially on techniques and skills in a specific field

#### Induction

The formal process of orientating someone into a new job or position within the organization

#### Orientation

The process of giving people guidance, information and training about a new job and/or organization

#### Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

Is a lifelong process that encompasses both activities and processes through structured and informed learning, that contribute toward on-going development of a nurse or midwife as a healthcare professional (Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland, 2015).

#### <u>Module</u>

One part of a set of parts that combined will complete a Learning Unit/Course





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## **Graduate Diploma in association with UCD**



Nursing Hub

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- Cardiology Nursing Skills Course
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SVUH and UCD provide graduate programmes to prepare nurses to excel as care-givers and as leaders. We have the largest graduate nursing and midwifery student population of any higher education institution in Ireland. UCD has a reputation for academic excellence, quality teaching and innovative research, ensuring that students gain valuable knowledge and specialist skills which are current, relevant, marketable and responsive to community health care needs now and in the future.

Our graduates have gone on to assume key positions in the professions, both nationally and internationally.

## **Nurse Induction**

#### **About**

The purpose of this induction is to support and enable new registered nurse recruits to orient smoothly to the acute hospital environment, and to the nursing ethos within St. Vincent's University Hospital.

#### Who is eligible?

Newly recruited registered nurses.

#### How is it delivered?

This induction is delivered in-house

### Can external applicants apply?

This induction is for SVUH newly recruited registered nurses only.



#### **About**

The purpose of this induction is to support the newly qualified nurse in the transition from student to registered nurse.

#### Who is eligible?

Newly registered and pre-registered nurses.

#### How is it delivered?

This induction is delivered in-house

#### Can external applicants apply?

This induction is for SVHG trained student nurses only.

For more details contact: Lisa Murphy, CNM2, (01) 2214023



#### Cost:

Free for staff new to SVUH

Number of places available: 25 places

available

Frequency:

Monthly

#### **Closing Date:**

One week prior to commencement

**Duration:** 

8.00am—4.30pm

For more details contact:

Co-ordinator: Bookings:

Cáit Galvin, RNT, (01) 2214543; : cait.galvin@svuh.ie Made by HR directly to Co-ordinator

## **Practice Support Orientation**

#### **About**

The Practice Support Programme is provided by St. Vincent's University Hospital to Registered Staff Nurses who have been employed and working in non-acute hospital settings and wish to make the transition to the acute setting. Nurses remain supernumerary for the duration of the programme which takes seven weeks to complete (including 1 week orientation/induction).



#### Who is it aimed towards?

Registered Staff Nurses employed in non-acute hospital settings (e.g. Nursing Homes).

#### How is it delivered?

A mixture of classroom based education sessions, simulation, workshops, online learning and clinical placement

#### Can external applicants apply?

Yes

#### Cost:

For costs details please enquire within the Nurse Education Centre

#### Number of places available:

Variable

#### Frequency:

Variable, on needs basis

#### **Closing Date:**

Not applicable

#### **Duration:**

Seven weeks

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Geraldine Ryan (01)2214411 : geraldineryan@svhg.ie

## **Overseas Adaptation Course**

#### **About**

The Overseas Adaptation Course is provided by St. Vincent's University Hospital to Staff Nurses educated in non-EU countries. On completion of the course and once competency in the associated practice domains has been achieved, nurses become eligible to apply for Irish Nursing Registration with NMBI. Candidate Nurses remain supernumerary for the duration of the course. The course takes seven weeks to complete (including 1 week orientation/induction) but this can be extended to twelve weeks.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

Non-EU trained Staff Nurses

#### Who is eligible?

Non-EU trained staff nurses who possess temporary candidate registrations from NMBI

#### How is it delivered?

A mixture of classroom based education sessions, simulation, workshops, online learning and clinical placement

#### Can external applicants apply?

The Overseas Adaptation course is only available to staff recruited within St Vincent's University Hospital



#### Cost:

For costs details please enquire within the Nurse Education Centre

#### Number of places available:

Variable

#### Frequency:

Variable, on needs basis

#### **Closing Date:**

Not applicable

#### **Duration:**

Seven weeks

- One week orientation
- 6 weeks clinical placement

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Geraldine Ryan (01)2214411; email: geraldineryan@svhg.ie

## **HCA Orientation**

#### **About**

The HCA Induction is available to all new Health Care Assistants in the hospital. It runs over two days. It is a combination of theory and workshops. The aim of the HCA Induction is to provide the knowledge and skills required to provide safe care to our patients.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

The induction is provided for all new HCAs in the hospital.

#### Who is eligible?

Health Care Assistants who are new to the hospital or those who are struggling with different aspects of their job role.

#### How is it delivered?

In-house

## Can external applicants apply?

The HCA Induction is only available to new HCAs in SVUH.



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

Minimum 5

Maximum 14

#### Frequency:

On-going as required

#### **Closing Date:**

Not applicable

#### **Duration:**

Two days (08.00-16.15)

For more details contact:

Co-ordinator:

Julie Ann Hervas, (01)221 4472; ja.hervas@svuh.ie

## QQI Health Service Skills Course - Level 5 Major Award (5M3782)

#### About

The purpose of this course is to enable the Healthcare Assistant learner to acquire the knowledge, skills and competence to work under the supervision of a Registered General Nurse (RGN), in a variety of healthcare settings to enhance their role in service provision to patients.

The course consists of eight modules: Activities of Living Patient Care, Care Skills, Infection Prevention and Control, Care of the Older Person, Communications, Care Support, Safety and Health at Work, Work Experience.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

Healthcare Assistants working in the acute care environment.

#### Who is eligible?

Healthcare Assistants (HCA) who do not have a QQI level 5 Major Award. Each applicant attends a Pre-Learning Advisory meeting with the Course Coordinator (Registered Nurse Tutor) to access their suitability to undertake the course. Applicant HCAs must be working in an area where they can attain and maintain competence in the skills they are taught on the course. Applicant HCAs must have a Link Nurse (RGN) for the duration of the course, who will undertake supervised practice and clinical assessment.

#### How is it delivered?

Blended-learning format: two modules are taught in the Nurse Education Centre: Activities of Living Patient Care and Care Skills. The remaining six modules are delivered online by an external education provider, and accessed by the HCA learner independently.

#### Can external applicants apply?

Yes.



### Number of places available:

20 places available

#### Frequency:

**Annually** 

#### **Closing Date:**

Four months prior to start date

#### **Duration:**

Ten months

QQI Level 5 Major Award

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** 

Cáit Galvin, RNT, (01) 2214543; : cait.galvin@svuh.ie



## **Resuscitation Training**

- ⇒ Heartsaver CPR & AED Course
- ⇒ Basic Life Support (BLS) Healthcare Provider (HCP)
- ⇒ Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Classroom based
- ⇒ Heartcode Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) (blended)
- ⇒ ACLS Experienced Provider

Resuscitation training is provided to staff as identified in the SVUH resuscitation training policy and offered to other staff who express an interest to attend.

The purpose of resuscitation training is to provide course participants with the knowledge and skills required to recognise when a person is in cardiac arrest, to activate the cardiac arrest team and to provide high quality CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) and to use an AED (automated external defibrillator).

Course participants are taught how to recognise and treat a person who is choking. Course content varies depending on the level of training required and the role of the staff member within the organisation. American Heart Association / Irish Heart Foundation (AHA/IHF) certificates are awarded for the majority of courses as well as CEUs and CPDs from the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland and the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland.

#### **Heartsaver CPR & AED Course**

#### **About**

Classroom, video-based, Instructor led course that teaches Adult and Child CPR and AED use, Infant CPR, and how to revive choking in Adults and infants.

The course teaches skills with the AHA's research-proven practice-while-watching techniques which allows the instructor to observe the student, provide feedback and guide the students learning of skills. No written exam.



#### Who is it aimed towards?

Mandatory for all HCA staff and optional for Portering and security

#### Who is eligible?

Course is for SVUH ancillary staff only

#### How is it delivered?

Classroom based Instructor led course with aid of DVD

#### Can external applicants apply?

Not open to external applicants

#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

6 per class

#### **Frequency:**

Once a month

#### **Duration:**

4.5 hours

For more details contact:
Mandatory Training Administrator:
Deirdre O'Riordan (01) 2214039; d.oriordan@st-vincents.ie

**Resuscitation Department:** Suzanne Earls, CMN2, NEPD, 012214456 s.earls@svhg.ie

## Basic Life Support (BLS) Healthcare Provider (HCP)

#### **About**

Classroom-based, instructor-led, DVD practice-while-watching course. The course covers adult, child and infant, CPR, choking and use of Automated External Defibrillator (AED) and bag-valve-mask device (BVM). Successful completion of multiple choice question test (84%) and skills assessment required. An American Heart Association/Irish Heart Foundation certificate is issued and is valid for two years.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

Mandatory training. Required by all clinical staff with direct patient contact.

## Who is eligible?

All clinical staff with direct patient contact.

#### How is it delivered?

The course can be completed two ways; online or classroom based.

#### **Online**

Blended. Pre-course theory and test (84%) and instructor led skills practice and skills assessment.

#### Classroom

Classroom-based, instructor led, theory and practice. Skills assessment and multiple choice question test. Pass mark 84%. Successful completion of both MCQ and Skills test required for certification.

#### Can external applicants apply?

BLS training is for SVUH clinical staff only



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

On-line: 6 per class

Classroom: 6 per class

#### Frequency:

Several times per week

#### **Closing Date:**

Not applicable

#### **Duration:**

#### Online

Online component approx. 1 ½ hours. Skills practice and skills assessment approx. 1 hour

#### Classroom

Approx. 5 hours

NMBI 4 CEUs RCSI 4.5 CPDs

For more details contact:

**Mandatory Training Administrator:** 

Deirdre O'Riordan (01) 2214039; d.oriordan@st-vincents.ie

## **ACLS Experienced Provider**

#### **About**

The aim of the ACLS Experienced Provider (ACLS-EP)
Course is to improve outcomes in the complex
cardiovascular, respiratory and other (ie metabolic,
toxicological) emergencies by expanding on core ACLS
guidelines and encouraging critical thinking and decision
making strategies. Through instruction and active
participation in case based scenarios, learners enhance
their skills in the differential diagnosis and treatment of pre
arrest or post arrest patients.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

The course is for seasoned/experienced healthcare providers who are proficient in performing BLS and ACLS skills, and interpreting ECGs, and understanding ACLS pharmacology and who regularly lead or participate in emergency assessment and treatment of peri arrest or post arrest patients.

#### Course prerequisites:

A current AHA BLS Certificate. Desirable current ACLS
Provider Courses. Please note anyone who does not hold a
current in date ACLS Certificate MUST pass all ACLS
Provider skills assessments in order to proceed further in
the ACLS EP Course.

s.earls@svhg.ie

#### How is it delivered?

Classroom-based, instructor-led with aid of DVD

### Can external applicants apply?

This course is only open to SVUH clinical staff

#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

18 places available

#### Frequency:

Twice yearly

#### **Closing Date:**

Not applicable

#### **Duration:**

Approximately 7 hours

NMBI 7 CEUs



## Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) Classroom based

#### **About**

Classroom-based, instructor-led theory and practice of peri arrest and cardiac arrest scenarios. Acute coronary syndromes, stroke, tachycardias, bradycardias and cardiac arrest scenarios are presented. Successful completion of multiple choice questions (84%) and skills assessment required. An American Heart Association/Irish Heart Foundation certificate is issued and is valid for two years.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

Mandatory training for those carrying cardiac arrest bleep and for staff working in Emergency Department, critical care areas and anaesthetics.

#### Who is eligible?

Staff carrying cardiac arrest bleep and for staff working in Emergency Department, critical care areas and anaesthetics. In date BLS is required to attend ACLS course.

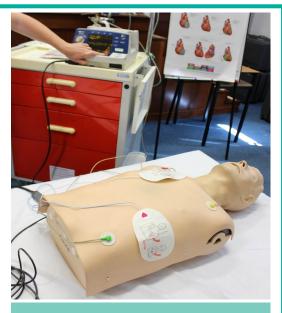
#### How is it delivered?

Classroom-based, instructor led, practical. Pre-course reading required.

#### Can external applicants apply?

Yes

NMBI 18 CEUs RCSI 16 CPDs



#### Cost:

Internal medical staff are not charged upfront but the cost of €450 is refunded from HSE Clinical Course Exam Refund Policy for NCHDs.

Internal nurses no charge.

External applicants €450.

#### Number of places available:

18 places available

#### Frequency:

Three times a year

#### **Closing Date:**

Not applicable

#### **Duration:**

Approximately 22 hours

For more details contact:

**Resuscitation Department:** Suzanne Earls, CNM2, NEPD, 012214456 s.earls@svhg.ie

## Heartcode Advanced Cardiac Life Support (ACLS) (blended)

#### **About**

Blended course combining classroom-based, instructor-led practice and pre-course online theory. Content covers peri arrest and cardiac arrest scenarios. Acute coronary syndromes, stroke, tachycardias, bradycardias and cardiac arrest scenarios are presented. Successful completion of multiple choice questions (84%) and skills assessment required. An American Heart Association/Irish Heart Foundation certificate is issued and is valid for two years

#### Who is it aimed towards?

Mandatory training for those carrying cardiac arrest bleep and for staff working in Emergency Department, critical care areas and anaesthetics.

#### Who is eligible?

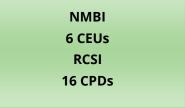
- Staff carrying cardiac arrest bleep and for staff working in Emergency Department, critical care areas and anaesthetics.
- All clinical staff with direct patient contact.
- Staff who are up to date with their BLS training.

#### How is it delivered?

Classroom-based, instructor led, practical. Pre-course reading required.

#### Can external applicants apply?

External applicants are welcome to apply.





#### Cost:

Internal medical staff are not charged upfront but the cost of €200 is refunded from HSE Clinical Course Exam Refund Policy for NCHDs.

Internal nurses no charge.

External applicants €300.

#### Number of places available:

18 places available

#### Frequency:

Seven times a year

#### **Closing Date:**

Not applicable

#### **Duration:**

Approximately 22 hours

For more details contact:

**Resuscitation Department:** Suzanne Earls, CNM2, NEPD, 012214456 s.earls@svhg.ie

# Careful Nursing Philosophy & Professional Practice Model- Theory & Practice Learning Units

#### **About**

This course introduces the nurse to Careful Nursing in SVUH. This is a new Irish Philosophy and a Professional Practice Model of nursing care created by Dr. Therese Meehan, and applied to the acute care setting.

The Learning units focus on the Philosophy and Professional Practice Model, concentrating on two dimensions called the 'Therapeutic Milieu' and 'Practice Competence and Excellence'.

It also introduces the use of standardised nursing languages called NANDA-I, NOC and NIC.

The workshop introduces care planning to develop skills and knowledge on identifying Nursing Diagnosis using NANDA-I, outcomes using NOC and evidence based interventions using NIC.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

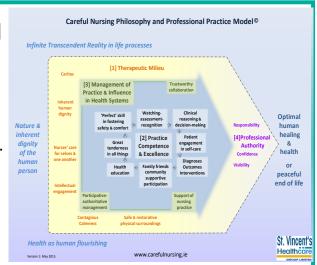
All nursing grades working in Careful Nursing wards and associated specialities.

#### How is it delivered?

Blended learning; on-line learning units followed up with an in house workshop

#### Can external applicants apply?

This course is only open to SVHG employees



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

10 -15 places available

#### Frequency:

Six weekly

### **Closing Dates:**

Two weeks prior to workshop in order to complete the learning units before attending

#### **Duration:**

Learning Units online 8.5hr total

Workshops three hours

NMBI 11 CEU's

For more details contact:

NPD Co-ordinator: Carolyn Donohoe, ADON, NEPD, (01) 221 4795,

c.donohoe@svuh.ie

**Bookings:** Caroline Doyle, (01) 2214716; ca.doyle@svhg.ie

## **Safe Medication Administration for Nurses Learning Unit**

#### **About**

The Safe Medication Administration Programme is a continuous professional development learning unit aimed at enhancing nurses' knowledge, skills and understanding of evidence-based principles and practice in the safe administration of medications.

All registered general nurses in SVUH have access to this learning unit.



All registered nurses working in SVUH and 4th year Intern BSc nursing students

#### How is it delivered?

This learning unit is available for all nursing staff via SVUH Learn online/Moodle- LU-Nurse-00105

### Can external applicants apply?

This course is only open to SVHG employees



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

Number of places available:

unlimited

Frequency:

Open access

**Closing Date:** 

Please contact NEC reception for further details

**Duration:** 

Four hours

NMBI CEU's Pending

#### For more details contact:

Freda Browne, RNT, (01) 221 4348; f.browne@st-vincents.ie Cáit Galvin, RNT, (01) 221 4543; c.galvin@st-vincents.ie

## **Drug safety Learning Unit**

#### **About**

The Drug safety online is a continuous professional development learning unit aimed at enhancing nurses' knowledge, skills and understanding of evidence-based principles and practice in the safe administration of medications.

All registered general nurses in SVUH have access to this learning unit.



### Who is eligible?

All registered nurses working in SVUH and 4th year Intern BSc nursing students

#### How is it delivered?

This learning unit is available for all nursing staff via SVUH Learn online/Moodle- LU-Nurse-00108

#### Can external applicants apply?

This course is only open to SVHG employees

#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

unlimited

#### **Frequency:**

Open access

#### **Duration:**

2 hours

#### For more details contact:

Pharmacy department: Claire Keane 01 221 4518 email: ckeane@svhg.ie

## Safe Use of Controlled Drugs (MDA) Learning Unit

#### **About**

The safe use of controlled drugs (MDA) is a continuous professional development learning unit aimed at enhancing nurses' knowledge, skills and understanding of evidence-based principles and practice in the safe administration of controlled drugs.

All registered general nurses in SVUH have access to this learning unit.



All registered nurses working in SVUH and 4th year Intern BSc nursing students

#### How is it delivered?

This learning unit is available for all nursing staff via SVUH Learn online/Moodle-LU-Nurse-00109

#### Can external applicants apply?

This course is only open to SVHG employees



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

Number of places available:

unlimited

Frequency:

Open access

**Duration:** 

Approximately one hour

NMBI 1 CEU

#### For more details contact:

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## **Intravenous Medication Administration Learning Units**

#### **About**

This course focuses on best practice and SVUH policy on the storage, preparation and administration of intravenous medication by nurses. It also examines the routes of intravenous administration (PVC, CVAD) and applies local policy in accessing and administering medication via these routes.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

Staff Nurses who are required to obtain competence in the administration of Intravenous Medications

### Who is eligible?

These learning units are suitable for registered nurses.

#### How is it delivered?

All the theory is undertaken by the participant through self directed learning units via MyView and followed up with a practical workshop.

The on-line learning units are

- LU-Nurse-00101 Aseptic Non Touch Technique ANTT®
- LU-Nurse-00102 Intravenous Medication Administration
   Policy and Preparation of Intravenous Medications
- LU-Nurse-00103 Central Venous Access Devices (CVAD)
- LU-Nurse-00104 Intravenous Medication Calculations

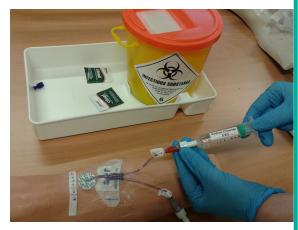
All staff undertaking the IV Medication workshop are also required to complete: Managing Anaphylaxis- refresher programme on HSEland.

Clinical competence is to be achieved in order to obtain certification.

External applicants certificate of theory and attendance only.

## Can external applicants apply?

Yes



#### Cost:

€85 for external applicants Free for internal applicants

## Number of places available:

18 places available

#### Frequency:

Monthly

#### **Closing Date:**

Two weeks prior to workshop in order to complete the learning units before attending

#### **Duration:**

5 hours SDL online learning followed by 4 hour workshop

NMBI 9 CEU's

For more details contact:

Co-ordinator: Bookings:

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## Administration of Parental Nutrition (PN) Learning Units

#### **About**

These three learning units and associated competence will assist the RGN in developing the skills to care for patients receiving Parental Nutrition. The learning units for the education programme are listed below; all three units must be done in sequence. Throughout the units are quiz questions to test your learning.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

Staff nurses & CNM's who care for patients receiving PN *Who is eligible?* 

RGN who have already completed their Intravenous Medication Administration Clinical Competence.

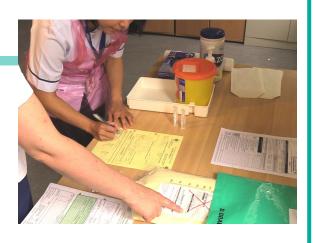
#### How is it delivered?

- LU-Nurse-00101 Aseptic Non Touch Technique
- LU-Nurse-00103 Care of a Central venous Access Device
- LU-Nurse-00183 Administration of Parenteral Nutrition
- Competency Assessment

Once you have completed all three learning units please print the certificate associated with LU-NURSE-00183 Parenteral Nutrition. Please present this certificate of completion to your Assessor when you are undertaking Clinical Assessment. When you have completed the three learning units please contact Leah Palado who will arrange for your competency to be assessed. On completion of competency, please return you assessment booklet to the NEC for final certification.

## Can external applicants apply?

Only SVUH staff can apply



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

Number of places available:

Unlimited

Frequency:

Not applicable

**Closing Date:** 

Not applicable

**Duration:** 

2 hours on-line

8 weeks to complete competence

NMBI CEU's Pending

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Freda Browne, RNT, (01) 221 4348; f.browne@st-vincents.ie Jody O'Reilly, CNM2, NEPD, (01) 221 4232; jody.oreilly@svuh.ie

## **Venepuncture and Cannulation Workshop**

#### **About**

The aim of this course is to assist the RGN in developing the skills necessary to perform Venepuncture and Cannulation in clinical practice

## Who is eligible?

- This course is suitable for registered nurses who have completed an approved educational programme on the Management and Administration of Intravenous Medication (SVUH Certificate or Dublin Academic Teaching Hospitals - DATHs).
- Have obtained approval to undertake the programme from Clinical Nurse Manager (CNM) / Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON), as an appropriate person to expand their role to include peripheral Venepuncture and cannulation.

#### How is it delivered?

This is a blended learning approach with theoretical component of programme-on-line on HSEland completed prior to the skills course.

Clinical competence is to be achieved in order to obtain certification.

### Can external applicants apply?

Yes, but availability may depend on SVUH service need and associated demand for places.

External applicants certificate of attendance only



#### Cost:

€85 for external applicants Free for internal applicants

## Number of places available:

12 places available

#### Frequency:

bi-monthly

#### **Closing Date:**

One week prior to commencement

#### **Duration:**

8.00am -12.30pm

NMBI 5 CEU's

For more details contact:

Co-ordinator: Bookings:

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# Enabling and Enhancing Quality of Care with the Person with Dementia, HSE National Programme

#### **About**

This 4-hour education study morning has been developed as part of the National Dementia Project, Office of the Nursing and Midwifery Services Director, Health Service Executive. The philosophy is to promote excellence, innovation and creativity in supporting the person with dementia in the acute hospital setting. The aim is to raise awareness of the needs of the person with dementia in the acute care environment. Participants will be empowered to adopt person-centred care that brings together ideas and ways of working with the lived experience of people with dementia that emphasises communication and relationships.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

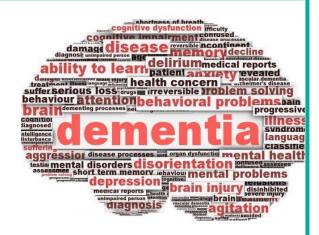
All staff working in St. Vincent's University Hospital

#### How is it delivered?

In-house, face-to-face classroom delivery by experts in education, and experts in clinical practice caring for older patients, and patients with dementia. The study morning is based around a DVD scenario of a person with dementia's experience of a hospital admission.

#### Can external applicants apply?

This study morning is for SVUH staff only.



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

20 places available

#### Frequency:

Once every two months

#### **Closing Date:**

One week prior to commencement

#### **Duration:**

8.00am—12.00pm

NMBI 4 CEUs

For more details contact:

Co-ordinator: Bookings:

Orla Leonard, RNT, (01) 2214854; o.leonard@st-vincents.ie Caroline Doyle, (01) 2214716; Ca.Doyle@svhg.ie

## **Assessing Competence of the BSc Nursing Student Learning Units**

#### About

To provide Registered Nurses with the skills to facilitate the Preceptorship and Assessment of BSc Nursing students using the Domains of Competency Assessment Tool.

Category 1 NMBI Approval (5 CEU's) applied for.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

All Registered Nurses working in St. Vincent's University Hospital.

#### Who is eligible?

A Registered Nurse with at least 6 months post registration experience.

#### How is it delivered?

This is a blended learning approach. The online course 'Preceptorship in Practice' on HSEland must be completed prior to commencing the learning units. The theoretical component is carried out by completing the three self-directed learning units. This is followed up with a two hour practical workshop facilitated by Clinical Placement Coordinators (CPC's).

## Can external applicants apply?

Only SVUH registered nurses are eligible



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

18 places available

#### **Frequency:**

On-going . Course dates are circulated to the clinical areas in January.

#### **Closing Date:**

Three weeks prior to the workshop date

#### **Duration:**

Five hours; 3 hours SDL online followed by 2 hour workshop

NMBI 8 CEUs

For more details contact:

**Bookings:** 

Caroline Doyle, (01) 221 4716; Ca. Doyle@svhg.ie

## **Tracheostomy Care Learning Units**

#### **About**

This is a blended learning approach to tracheostomy care encompasses the holistic care for a patient with a tracheostomy tube while enhancing the participants knowledge and skills.

## Who is eligible?

- Registered Nurses
- Physiotherapists
- Speech & Language Therapists

#### How is it delivered?

Blended learning; two on-line learning units followed up with a two hour in house workshop

#### Can external applicants apply?

Yes, but availability may depend on SVUH service need and associated demand for places.

External applicants certificate of theory and attendance only.



#### Cost:

€85 for external applicants Free for internal applicants

#### **Number of places available:**

20 places available

#### Frequency:

Workshops every six weeks

#### **Closing Date:**

Two weeks prior to workshop in order to complete the learning units before attending

#### **Duration:**

Learning Units self directed 6 hrs. and

Workshop 2 hrs.

NMBI CEUs Pending

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Geraldine Ryan, CNM2, NEPD, (01) 221 4411 email: geraldineryan@svhg.ie

## **Peritoneal Dialysis Learning Unit**

#### **About**

The learning unit is designed to enhance participants' academic knowledge and clinical skills in peritoneal dialysis to provide an out-of-hours emergency service.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

This learning unit is aimed at Registered General Nurses (RGN) working on St. Patrick's ward in SVUH.

#### Who is eligible?

- RGN working on St. Patrick's ward
- RGN with approval to undertake the programme from Clinical Nurse Manager (CNM) / Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON), as an appropriate person to expand their role to include Peritoneal Dialysis.

#### How is it delivered?

Blended learning format consisting of completion of an online learning unit on peritoneal dialysis followed by attendance at a skills workshop facilitated by the Clinical Nurse Specialist (Renal Therapies).

### Can external applicants apply?

No. The programme is designed to meet a service need only.



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

Number of places available:

6 places

Frequency:

According to service need

#### **Closing Date:**

Two weeks prior to workshop in order to complete the learning units before attending

#### **Duration:**

Online learning unit: 2 hours (self directed learning)

Workshop: 4 hours (08.00 to 12.30 hours, including break)

NMBI 6 CEUs

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Cáit Galvin, RNT, (01) 2214543; : cait.galvin@svuh.ie

## **Cardiac Rhythm Recognition Skills**

#### **About**

The primary focus of this course is on the development of practical nursing skills in Electrocardiograph (ECG) basic rhythm interpretation.

During the course the participants will gain the knowledge required to interpret a normal ECG waveform using a systematic approach. They will also learn how to interpret the most common Atrial and Ventricular arrhythmias, and the immediate first line nursing management of the patient. On successful completion of the online learning Units, a clinical workbook and theoretical exam each participant will be awarded a St. Vincent's University Hospital Certificate.

#### Who is eligible?

Post Graduate Nurses working in the clinical areas in SVUH where ECG interpretation is required.

#### How is it delivered?

Theoretical component;

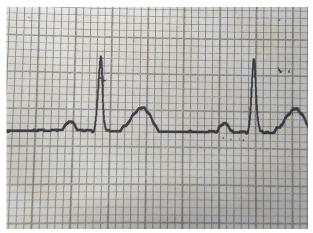
The theoretical component is delivered in the form of learning units. Participants must complete four learning units in-advance of attending the supportive workshops. Admittance to the workshops will not be permitted if all learning units are not completed.

The skills component;

The skills component is delivered in the form of workshops, facilitated by clinical experts

## Can external applicants apply?

St. Michael's and St Vincent's Private Hospital are also facilitated on the learning units



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

10 places available

#### Frequency:

Twice a month

#### **Closing Date:**

1 month prior to commencement

#### **Duration:**

The course is run over two days from:

08:00 - 11.30 approximately

NMBI CEUs Pending

For more details contact:

Co-ordinator: Bookings:

Orpha Walsh, RNT, (01) 221 4548; o.walsh@st-vincents.ie

Caroline Doyle, (01) 2214716; ca.doyle@svhg.ie

## **Male Catheterisation Learning Unit**

#### **About**

This blended learning approach will provide the theory and practical skills necessary for Registered Nurses to safely perform male urethral catheterisation in accordance with St Vincent's University hospital evidence based policy.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

Registered Nurses working on SVUH Urology ward and in SVUH Emergency Department.

## Who is eligible?

Registered Nurses in SVUH who currently work in the Emergency Department and on the Urology (Charles) ward.

#### How is it delivered?

Blended learning, two self directed learning units followed up with a workshop.

With a follow up supervised competency assessment in the clinical area (SVUH).

### Can external applicants apply?

External applicants can apply through Co-Ordinator.

*Please note:* Nomination of a clinical assessor must be in place to supervise and complete a local competency document.



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

A charge may apply to external organisations.

## Number of places available:

10 places available

#### Frequency:

Depending on demand

#### **Closing Date:**

Four weeks in advance of commencement due to precourse work.

#### **Duration:**

Half day

NMBI CEU's pending

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Sarah Keane, RNT, skeane@svhg.ie tel: 01 221 4484

## **National Quality Care Metrics - Auditors Workshop**

#### About

Training for senior nursing staff to take on the role of auditing the National Nursing Quality Care Metrics being measured each month in all inpatient wards across the hospital.

#### Who is it aimed towards?

- Senior Nursing staff in SVUH:
- ◆ CNM3s
- ◆ CNM2s
- ◆ CNS
- ◆ CPCs

### Who is eligible?

Any senior grade nurses in SVUH authorised by NPD Coordinator

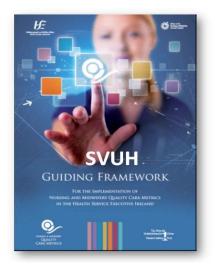
#### How is it delivered?

Lecture and workshop

### Can external applicants apply?

Only SVUH Senior Nursing staff can apply

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#### Cost:

Free for internal applications

#### Number of places available:

Eight places available

#### Frequency:

Depending on demand

#### **Closing Date:**

Not applicable

#### **Duration:**

1.5 hours

For more details contact:

Co-ordinator: Mary Dunne, CNM2, NEPD, (01) 221 5292;

m.dunne@st-vincents.ie

## **Plaster Casting Course**

#### About

The primary focus of this course is the development of practical nursing skills in Plaster casting and splinting. During this course the student will gain the knowledge, skills and techniques required to safely apply a cast, splint or brace, in order effectively to immobilise an orthopaedic injury. The student will also learn the considerations taken into account prior to the application of a cast, the safe management during its removal and the assessment, planning, coordination and implementation of each patients care prior to discharge. The duration of the course is two months.

On successful completion of the academic and clinical assessments the student will be awarded a St. Vincent's University Hospital Certificate, accredited by NMBI.

#### Who is eligible?

Registered General Nurses in SVUH with a minimum of 1 year Post Graduate Orthopaedic clinical nursing experience, are eligible to apply.

#### How is it delivered?

Self-directed module, incorporating facilitated workshops lead by clinical experts. Continuous assessment through workbooks, Multiple Choice Examinations, Objective Structured Clinical Exams and clinical competency assessment.

#### Can external applicants apply?

Only SVUH RGNs are eligible



#### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

#### Number of places available:

6 places available

#### Frequency:

Depending on demand. Please contact the NEC reception for further details

## **Closing Date:**

Please contact NEC reception for further details

#### **Duration:**

2 months

NMBI 28 CEUs

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Orpha Walsh, RNT, (01) 221 4548; o.walsh@st-vincents.ie

# Evidence Based Practice & Research Champion- Continuing Professional Development Module

### **About**

- This module is shared among four hospitals (MMUH, SMH, SVUH and SVPH) under the guidance of Prof Laserina O'Connor, Professor of Clinical Nursing and accredited with UCD.
- This module is based on asking clinical questions, linking them with appropriate research studies and applying the evidence to practice.
- This module offers an opportunity to develop a culture for research as well as enhancing integration and collaboration among academic and clinical partners.

### Who is it aimed towards?

Nursing managers, nurse specialists and general nurses who are interested in delving deeper into care at the bedside.

You are encouraged to take on the module as part of a 2 person team or you can work as an individual.

### How is it delivered?

Over 12 weeks, you will attend 4 classroom sessions lasting 1 hour each.

You will get to lead out on 2 Journal Clubs in the clinical area with support from your mentor and complete a learning log to reflect after each session.

Finally you will present your chosen topic on a poster to the group on the final day.

### Can external applicants apply?

Only SVUH staff are eligible



### Cost:

Applied for yearly through the ADoN

Number of places available:

10 places

### Frequency:

**Annually** 

### **Closing Date:**

One month prior to course start date

### **Duration:**

12 weeks

Level 8 award

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Carolyn Donohoe, ADoN, NEPD, (01) 221 4795

c.donohoe@svuh.ie

### Hospital Orientation for BSc Nursing Programme SVHG (Stage 1 nursing students)

### **About**

Orientation days are run for the Stage 1 nursing students (General and Integrated Children's and General Programmes) on commencement of their first clinical placement in SVUH. These days include:

- Address from Director of Nursing
- Allocation of lockers
- Photographs and distribution of security badges
- Presentation re clinical placement and relevant hospital policies.
- Hand hygiene and standard precautions
- Training in Blood Glucose monitoring
- Hospital tour including orientation to clinical area on which the student will be on placement (Checklist to be completed)

### Who is it aimed towards?

All Stage 1 BSc Nursing students on placement in SVUH

### How is it delivered?

Classroom based delivery of presentations. Hospital tour included on the day to orientate students to SVUH clinical site.

### Can external applicants apply?

Not applicable



### Cost:

Free for internal applicants

### Number of places available:

Numbers vary year on year

### Frequency:

Three days annually

### **Closing Date:**

N/A

### **Duration:**

Seven hours

For more details contact Clinical Placement Co-ordinator:
Brenda Lowry, CPC, NEPD, (01) 221 4874 b.lowry@svuh.ie
Colette Farrell, CPC, NEPD, (01) 221 4027 c.farrell@svuh.ie

## Orientation to Critical Care Nursing Skills Course

### About

This course has Category 1 Approval from NMBI and runs over a period of 12 weeks. It is a blended-learning course, consisting of a number of online learning units with workshops, and consolidation of learning in clinical practice. Participants are supernumerary for a specified time initially. Participants are clinically assessed twice during the course using an Assessment of Clinical Competencies framework.

### Who is it aimed towards?

Registered General Nurses working on St. Brigid's High Dependency Unit (HDU), St. Patrick's Medical Observation Unit (MOU), or St. Joseph's Acute Care Unit (ACU)

### Who is eligible?

SVUH Nurses on the live register with NMBI currently working in one of the above units

### How is it delivered?

- Self-directed online Learning Units
- Clinical Workshops
- Supervised Clinical Practice
- Clinical Educational Support

### Can external applicants apply?

No. The course is available to staff working in HDU, MOU or ACU only



### Cost:

SVUH staff members do not incur any fees

### Number of places available:

6-10 places

### **Frequency:**

For dates contact the Nurse Education Centre

### **Closing Date:**

Variable

### **Duration:**

12 weeks

NMBI 65 CEUs

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Cáit Galvin, RNT, (01) 2214543; cait.galvin@svuh.ie

### **Critical Care Nursing Skills Course**

### About:

This course has Category 1 Approval from NMBI and is accredited by UCD. It runs over a period of 24 weeks. It is a blended-learning course, consisting of a number of online learning units with workshops, and consolidation of learning in clinical practice. Participants are supernumerary for a specified time initially. Participants are clinically assessed three times during the course using an Assessment of Clinical Competencies framework, and submit a 2,500-word written assignment at the end of the course.

### Who is it aimed at:

Registered General Nurses (RGN) recruited to work in the Intensive Care Unit

### Who is eligible?

Nurses on the live register with NMBI; RGNs new to the Intensive Care Unit

#### How is it delivered?

- Self-directed online Learning Units
- Clinical Workshops
- Supervised Clinical Practice
- Clinical Educational Support

### Can external applicants apply?

No. This course is only available to RGNs transferring from a general ward to work in ICU or who are specifically recruited as employees of SVUH to work in the Intensive Care Unit and undertake the course



### Cost:

SVUH staff members do not incur any fees

### Number of places available:

6-10 places

### Frequency:

For dates contact the Nurse Education Centre

### **Closing Date:**

Variable

### **Duration:**

24 weeks

NMBI 112CEUs UCD accredited at Level 8 (NFQ) 10 ECTS

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Cáit Galvin, RNT, (01) 2214543; cait.galvin@svuh.ie

### **Graduate Diploma Critical Care Nursing - Intensive Care**

Run in association with our education partner UCD

### **About**

This programme is run in collaboration with our education partner, UCD. The Graduate Diploma Critical Care Nursing-Intensive Care provides the nurse with an opportunity to develop a greater understanding of the principles which underpin the various aspects of critical care nursing in relation to intensive care of critically ill patients. The students' knowledge and appreciation of nursing theory and biopsychosocial sciences, which underpin critical care nursing in intensive care, is augmented.

### Who is eligible?

All applicants must:

- be on the live register maintained by the NMBI as a Registered General Nurse
- hold a primary degree (or equivalent) in nursing or a related discipline. APEL/RPL consideration if no degree.
- have one-year's post-registration experience
- be employed in the Intensive Care Unit and work a minimum of 78 hours per month

### How is it delivered?

Six modules delivered using blended-learning format

### Can external applicants apply?

The course is open to anyone working in an Intensive Care Unit nationally. Applications via UCD Central Applications: http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/apply.html

### Cost:

See UCD fees for further information

### Number of places available:

20 places

### Frequency:

September every year

### **Closing Date:**

UCD: April each year

SVUH: February/March each year for fee sponsorship purposes

### **Duration:**

One academic year

UCD accredited at Level 9(NFQ) 60 ECTS

### For more details contact:

Co-ordinator UCD:

Katie Wedgeworth

Co-ordinator SVUH:

Cáit Galvin, Registered Nurse Tutor

For more information please see: http://www.nmhs.ucd.ie/study-with-us/graduate-programmes/courses/graduate-diploma-critical-care-nursing-intensive-care

### **Cardiology Nursing Skills Course**

### **About**

This course aims to advance each participant's body of knowledge, skills and attitudes in order to enable them to adopt a safe, therapeutic and holistic response to the care of the cardiology patient.

It has been designed to guide cardiovascular nurses, working in any area of practice, to provide high quality nursing care to patients manifesting aspects of cardiovascular disease. Throughout the course, the participant will be afforded the opportunity to demonstrate their ability to link theory with practice and to demonstrate clinical competency in a number of clinical practices in the cardiology Department.

### Who is eligible?

All Registered General Nurses working within the Cardiology Department.

### How is it delivered?

Theoretical component:

Delivered in the form of self-directed learning units.

*The skills component:* 

Clinical workshops, provided by the clinical facilitators from the cardiology department.

In order to attain clinical competency at the end of the 25 weeks, the participants will be continuously supported by the clinical facilitators and Clinical Nurse Managers within the Cardiology department.

Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE); This method of assessment is also used to complement the academic assessment of knowledge and clinical competency.



### Cost:

SVUH staff members do not incur any fees

### Number of places available:

5-10 places

### Frequency:

For dates contact the Nurse Education Centre

### **Closing Date:**

Variable

### **Duration:**

25 weeks

NMBI 112CEUs UCD accredited at Level 8 (NFQ) 10 ECTS

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Orpha Walsh, RNT, (01) 221 4548; o.walsh@st-vincents.ie

### **Graduate Diploma Critical Care Nursing - Cardiovascular**

Run in association with our education partner UCD

#### **About**

This programme is run in collaboration with our education partner, UCD. The Graduate Diploma Critical Care Nursing-Cardiovascular provides the nurse with an opportunity to develop a greater understanding of the principles which underpin the various aspects of critical care nursing in relation to cardiovascular care. The students' knowledge and appreciation of nursing theory and biopsychosocial sciences, which underpin critical care nursing practice in a cardiovascular setting, is augmented.

### Who is eligible?

All applicants must;

- be on the live register maintained by the NMBI as a Registered General Nurse
- hold a primary degree (or equivalent) in nursing or a related discipline. APEL/RPL consideration if no degree.
- have one-year's post-registration experience
- be employed in the Cardiology Department and work a minimum of 78 hours per month

### How is it delivered?

Six modules delivered using blended-learning format

### Can external applicants apply?

The course is open to anyone working in a Cardiology Department nationally. Applications via UCD Central Applications: http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/apply.html

### Cost:

See UCD fees for further information

### Number of places available:

20 places

### Frequency:

September every year

### **Closing Date:**

UCD April each year

SVUH: February/March each year for free sponsorship purposes

### **Duration:**

One academic year

UCD accredited at Level 9(NFQ) 60 ECTS

### For more details contact:

Co-ordinator UCD:

Dr Jacqueline Burke

Co-ordinator SVUH:

Orpha Walsh, Registered Nurse Tutor01) 221 4548; o.walsh@stvincents.ie

For more information please see: *UCD: SVUH:* http://www.nmhs.ucd.ie/study-with-us/graduate-programmes/courses/graduate-diploma-critical-care-nursing-cardiovascular

## **Continuous Professional Development** in Emergency Nursing

#### About

Focus is on preparation of RN's to safely and competently care for patients presenting to the Emergency Department. The Course is in a Blended Learning Format, consisting of a variety of learning methods and delivery ~ online learning units (to develop knowledge); skills workshops (to develop individual clinical skills); clinical simulated facilitated clinical practice

### Who is eligible?

- An RGN currently registered with NMBI
- Work in Emergency Department

### How is it delivered?

The is an emphasis on self-directed learning, with facilitation, guidance and support by the Clinical Facilitators, Nurse Tutor, Senior Clinical RN's & Managers as you navigate through the various learning experiences.

### Can external applicants apply?

Currently no as course is being provided based on service need only.

The vision is for this CPD Course to be utilised as part of a Specialist Pathway, whereby RN's completing it can progress onwards in their career journey later to complete a Graduate Diploma in Emergency Nursing.



### Cost:

SVUH staff members do not incur any fees

### Number of places available:

5-10 places

### Frequency:

For dates contact the Nurse Education Centre

### **Closing Date:**

variable

#### **Duration:**

24 weeks

UCD accredited at Level 8 (NFQ) 10 ECTS

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Marie Daly, 01-2213759; mariedaly@svhg.ie

### **Graduate Diploma in Emergency Nursing**

Run in association with our education partner UCD

### About

The Graduate Diploma Emergency Nursing (Adult) is run in collaboration with our education partner UCD. It aims to build upon and advance the emergency nurse's repertoire of knowledge, skills, attitudes and professional values. The course aims to develop the clinician's capacities for caring and competent practice in emergency nursing, in order to prepare the nurse to provide a patient-focused, best-practice service within the acute health care delivery service.

### Who is eligible?

All applicants must:

- be on the live register maintained by the NMBI as a Registered General Nurse
- hold a primary degree in Nursing (or equivalent in related discipline)/APEL consideration if no degree
- have at least six month's experience in emergency nursing and one year's acute medical /surgical ward experience
- be employed in an Emergency Department prior to commencing the course and for the duration of the course

### How is it delivered?

Six modules delivered using blended-learning format, which are held in SVUH, the Mater Hospital and UCD.

### Can external applicants apply?

This course is open to anyone working in an emergency department nationally. Applications via UCD Central Applications: http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/apply.html

### Cost:

See UCD fees for further information

### Number of places available:

Variable

### Frequency:

September every year

### **Closing Date:**

UCD: April each year

SVUH: February/March each year for fee sponsorship purposes

### **Duration:**

One academic year

UCD accredited at Level 9(NFQ) 60 ECTS

### For more details contact:

Co-ordinator UCD: Dr Felicity Johnson; lecturer; UCD. B327, UCD Health Sciences Centre(01) 716 6413 Felicity.Johnson@ucd.ie

Co-ordinator SVUH: Nurse Tutor Marie Daly Phone: 01 - 221 3759 Email: mariedaly@svhg.ie

For more information please see: *UCD: SVUH:* http://www.nmhs.ucd.ie/study-with-us/graduate-programmes/

## **Continuous Professional Development** in Cancer Nursing

### **About**

This is a 6 month programme which has been designed to provide the participant with the core nursing skills required to safely, professionally and holistically care for patients with cancer. On course completion, the participant will be able to demonstrate her/his role in relation to patient-centeredness, patient safety, professional accountability and the need for accurate communication with all members of the multidisciplinary team, patients and their families.

It covers theory and practice of cancer nursing. It combines self- directed learning units (Via Moodle), clinical skills workshops and supervised clinical practice. Theoretical and clinical assessment is undertaken during the programme.

### Who is it aimed towards?

Registered Nurses who are new to Cancer Nursing, or who wish to advance their theoretical knowledge and clinical skills in cancer care.

### Who is eligible?

Registered General Nurses (RGNs). Participants must work within the specialist cancer clinical area for the duration of the course in order to obtain the required competency.

### How is it delivered?

- Learning Units
- Workshops
- Clinical learning
- Clinical educational support

### Can external applicants apply?

Only SVUH staff can apply



#### Cost:

SVUH staff members do not incur any fees

### Number of places available:

6-10 places

### Frequency:

For dates contact the Nurse Education Centre

### **Closing Date:**

Variable

### **Duration:**

6 months

UCD accredited at Level 8 (NFQ) 10 ECTS

### For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Freda Browne (01) 221 4348; f.browne@st-vincents.ie

### Graduate Diploma in Cancer Nursing, Colorectal

Run in association with our education partner UCD

### **About**

This programme is run in collaboration with our education partner, UCD. The aim of this module is to advance the Registered General Nurse's repertoire of knowledge and skills in the care of patients with colorectal conditions and lower gastrointestinal (GI) disease/disorders. Disease and treatment-related complications pertaining to patients with breast conditions are also addressed.

### Who is eligible?

All applicants must:

Be on the live register maintained by the NMBI as a Registered General Nurse

Hold a primary degree in Nursing (or equivalent in related discipline)/APEL consideration if no degree

Applicants must have at least one year's experience in nursing in their specialist area at time of attendance
Applicants must work a minimum of 75 hours per month in a cancer unit or related cancer setting (caring for patients with colorectal cancer) prior to commencing, and for the duration of the programme.

### How is it delivered?

Six modules delivered using blended-learning format.

### Can external applicants apply?

This course is open to anyone working in an oncology department nationally. Applications via UCD Central Applications: http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/apply.html

### Cost:

See UCD fees for further information

### Number of places available:

Variable

### **Frequency:**

September every year

### **Closing Date:**

UCD: April each year

SVUH: February/ March each year for fee sponsorship purposes

### **Duration:**

One academic year

UCD accredited at Level 9 (NFQ) 60 ECTS

### For more details contact:

Co-ordinator UCD:

Dr Patricia Fox

Co-ordinator SVUH:

Orpha Walsh, Registered Nurse Tutor01) 221 4548; o.walsh@st-vincents.ie

For more information please see: <a href="http://www.nmhs.ucd.ie/study-with-us/graduate-programmes/courses/graduate-diploma-cancer-nursing-adult-breast-children">http://www.nmhs.ucd.ie/study-with-us/graduate-programmes/courses/graduate-diploma-cancer-nursing-adult-breast-children</a>

## Continuous Professional Development in Care of the Older Person

### **About**

The Care of the Older Person CPD Course is a six month clinically based course which aims to enhance the registered nurses knowledge, skills and competencies in the delivery of care for the older person. The course participants are rotated across all the designated COOP areas, Our Lady's Ward, St. Agnes Ward, Transitional Care Unit (TCU) and Carew House during the 26 week period.

### Who is it aimed towards:

This is aimed at registered general nurses on the live register currently working in one of the care of the older person areas who wishes to progress in this area of nursing.

### Who is eligible?

Registered general nurses on the live register with NMBI Nurses currently working in one of the designated care of the older person areas Our Lady's Ward, Transitional Care Unit (TCU) St. Agnes Ward and Carew House.

### How is it delivered?

The course is delivered in a blending learning format incorporating online Learning Units hosted on My View and HSEland, clinical skills workshops and guidance in clinical practice.

### Can external applicants apply?

Currently only SVUH staff can apply



### Cost:

SVUH staff members do not incur any fees

### Number of places available:

6-10 places

### Frequency:

For dates please contact the nurse education Centre

### **Closing Date:**

Variable

### **Duration:**

6 months

UCD accredited at Level 8 (NFQ) 10 ECTS

For more details contact:

Co-ordinator: Orla Leonard, RNT, (01) 2214854,: o.leonard@svuh.ie

# Continuous Professional Development in Anaesthetic and Post- Anaesthetic Care Unit Nursing

### **About**

This is a 6 month programme which serves as an introduction to anaesthetic and PACU nursing. The CPD in Anaesthetic and PACU Nursing is designed to provide the participant with the core nursing skills required to safely, professionally and holistically care for patients in Anaesthetics and PACU. On course completion, the participant will be able to demonstrate her/his role in relation to patient-centeredness, patient safety, professional accountability and the need for accurate communication with all members of the multidisciplinary team, patients and their families.

### Who is it aimed towards?

Registered Nurses who are new to the anaesthetic and/or PACU nursing environment, or who wish to advance their theoretical knowledge and clinical skills in nursing care.

### Who is eligible?

Registered general nurses. Participants must rotate through PACU and anaesthetic's during this course.

### How is it delivered?

- Learning units
- Workshops
- Clinical learning
- Clinical education support

### Can external applicants apply?

Only SVUH staff can apply.



### Cost:

SVUH staff members do not incur any fees

### Number of places available:

6-10 places

### Frequency:

For dates contact the Nurse Education Centre

### **Closing Date:**

Variable

### **Duration:**

6 months

UCD accredited at Level 8 (NFQ) 10 ECTs

For more details contact:

**Co-ordinator:** Freda Browne, RNT, (01) 221 4348; f.browne@st-vincents.ie

### **Graduate Diploma in Nursing - Radiology**

Run in association with our education partner UCD

### **About**

The Graduate Diploma Nursing (Radiology) consists of a total of 6 modules of study that are designed to enhance your knowledge with respect to holistic assessment and managements of clients in the radiology department. The programme will provide you with an opportunity to develop enhance and maintain the specialist skills that are required to care for persons in the radiology setting.

### Who is eligible?

- Applicants must have at least six month's experience in Radiology Nursing at time of attendance.
- Applicants must be employed in a Radiology Dept. prior to commencing the course and for duration of the course.
- Applicants must hold a primary degree in Nursing (or equivalent in related discipline)/APEL consideration if no degree.
- Applicants must be entered onto the appropriate division of the Nurses Register maintained by Nursing and Midwifery Board of Ireland (be registered as an RGN).
- Other criteria to be used in the assessment of the application include number of years of experience, and evidence of ongoing professional development.

#### How is it delivered?

Six modules delivered using blended-learning format

### Can external applicants apply?

Apply through UCD Central Applications.

http://www.ucd.ie/registry/admissions/apply.html

### Cost:

See UCD fees for further information

### Number of places available:

Ten places available

### **Frequency:**

September every year

### **Closing Date:**

UCD: April each year

SVUH: February/March each year for fee sponsorship purposes

### **Duration:**

One academic year

UCD accredited at Level 9 (NFQ) 60 ECTS

### For more details contact:

Co-ordinator UCD: Mary McGrath

Co-ordinator SVUH: Freda Browne, Registered Nurse Tutor, (01) 221 4348; f.browne@st-vincents.ie

For more information please see: http://www.nmhs.ucd.ie/study-with-us/graduate-programmes/acute-and-critical-care-nursing

### **Nurse Education and Practice Development Learning units.**

Learning units may be standalone or grouped together to form a course. Some learning units are available to all nursing grades without enrolment required. For all other learning units enrolment is required, for access staff are require to be in an eligible area. Access is only granted by the Nurse Education & Practice Development Department.

Staff access the learning portal though the staff access and log-on with their MY-View details. External learners partaking of the learning units will receive an email with instructions and a link to the learn-on-line site.



PPGs for Intrathecal Chemotherapy.



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ccess to further e-learning content, such as Microsoft Office online tutorials.

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1.	How to design a learning unit	LU-Nurse-00100
2.	Aseptic Non Touch Technique ANTT®	LU-Nurse-00101
3.	Intravenous Medication Administration: Policy and Preparation of Intravenous Medications	LU-Nurse-00102
4.	Central Venous Access Devices (CVAD)	LU-Nurse-00103
5.	Intravenous Medication Calculations	LU-Nurse-00104
6.	Safe Medication Administration for Nurses	LU-Nurse-00105
7.	Procedural Sedation Preparation- Nursing	LU-Nurse-00106
8.	Tracheostomy Training	LU-Nurse-00107
9.	Drug Safety Online Course	LU-Nurse-00108
10.	Safe use of Controlled Drugs (MDA's) in St Vincent's University Hospital	LU-Nurse-00109
11.	Respiratory Assessment for Critical Care	LU-Nurse-00112
12.	Cardiac Assessment for Critical Care	LU-Nurse-00113
13.	Temporary Pacing	LU-Nurse-00114
14.	Nursing Patient with an Arterial Line	LU-Nurse-00115

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	62	Fasting	LU- Nurse- 00163
63 Informed Consent Lu-Nurse-00164			
64 Basic Airway Management LU- Nurse-00165			
65 General Anaesthesia LU-Nurse-00166			
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67	Peripheral Nerve Blocks	LU- Nurse- 00168
68	Quality, Safety and risk Management in theatre	LU- Nurse-00169
69	Pain Assessment	LU- Nurse-00170
70	Multi-Modal Analgesia	LU- Nurse-00171
71	Thermoregulation	LU- Nurse-00172
72	Patient Positioning	LU- Nurse-00173
73	Massive Blood transfusion	LU- Nurse-00174
73 74	Latex Allergy	Lu-Nurse-00175
7 <del>4</del> 75	Peri-Operative Anaphylaxis	LU- Nurse-00175
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76 77	Malignant Hyperthermia Advanced Airway Management	LU- Nurse-00177 LU-Nurse-00178
7 <i>7</i> 78		LU-Nurse-00179
70	Developing a Professional and Therapeutic Nurse-Patient Relation- ship	LO-Nurse-00179
79	Care of the Patient with Bleeding Varices	LU-Nurse-00180
80	Care of the Patient with Hepatic Encephalopathy	LU-Nurse-00181
81	Care of the Patient across the Spectrum of Kidney Disease	LU-Nurse-00182
82	Administration of Parental Nutrition	LU-Nurse-00183
		LU-Nurse-00184
83	Nursing Handover	
84	Cancer Cell Biology	LU-Nurse-00185
85	Diagnosis and Staging of Cancer and the Nurse's role in Supporting Patients	LU-Nurse-00186
86	Principles of Cancer Therapies and Multimodality Treatment	LU-Nurse-00187
87	Chemotherapy agents, routes of administration and modes of action	LU-Nurse-00188
88	Common Acute Side Effects of Cancer Therapies	LU-Nurse-00189
89	Oral Care	LU-Nurse-00190
90		LU-Nurse-00191
90 91	Neutropenic Sepsis	
	Tumour Lysis Syndrome	LU-Nurse-00192 LU-Nurse-00193
92	Spinal Cord Compression	
93	Care and Management of Totally Implanted Vascular Access Devices	LU-Nurse-00194
94	Care and Management of Hickman Lines	LU-Nurse-00195
95	Nursing Care of the Patient Undergoing Stem Cell Harvest	LU-Nurse-00196
96	Nursing Care of the Patient Receiving Stem Cell Transplant	LU-Nurse-00197
97	Patient Assessment- Cancer Care	LU-Nurse-00198
98	Patient Education-Cancer Care	LU-Nurse-00199
99	Safe Handling of Cytotoxics	LU-Nurse-00200
100	Introduction to Palliative Care	LU-Nurse-00201
101	End of Life Care	LU-Nurse-00202
102	Symptom Management	LU-Nurse-00203
103	Palliative Medication and Set up of Syringe Driver	LU-Nurse-00204
104	Valvular Heart Disease	LU-Nurse-00205
105	Heart Failure-Part 2	LU-Nurse-00206
106	Introduction to Assessing the Competence of BSc Nursing Students	LU-Nurse-00207
107	Assessing Competence Based on the BSc Nursing Student's Level of	LU-Nurse-00207
107	Learning	LO-Nul 36-00200
108	Assessment Strategy- Preliminary, Intermediate and Final Meetings	LU-Nurse-00209
109	Overview of Liver Disease	LU-Nurse-00210
110	Care of a Patient with Liver-Related Ascites and Its Complications	LU-Nurse-00211
111	Understanding Cognition	LU-Nurse-00212
112	Falls and Harmful Falls-Prevention & Management	LU-Nurse-00213
113	Initial Neurological Assessment	LU-Nurse-00214
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114	Care of Patient with Acute Liver Failure on St. Brigid's ward	LU-Nurse-00215
115	Practical Aspects of Tracheostomy Care	LU-Nurse-00216
116	Medication and the Older Adult incorporating Polypharmacy	LU-Nurse-00217
117	Fundamentals of Frailty	LU-Nurse-00218
118	Hypertension	LU-Nurse-00219
119	Liver Transplantation in the Operating Theatre	LU-Nurse-00220
120	Care of the Patient Pre- and Post-Liver Transplant on St. Brigid's Ward	LU- Nurse-00221
121	Atrial Arrhythmias	LU- Nurse-00222
122	Ventricular Arrhythmias	LU- Nurse-00223
123	What is Diabetes?	LU- Nurse-00224
124	reserved for diabetes LU 2	LU- Nurse-00225
125	reserved for diabetes LU 3	LU- Nurse-00226
126	reserved for diabetes LU 4	LU- Nurse-00227
127	reserved for diabetes LU 5	LU- Nurse-00228
128	ECG Rhythm Interpretation & Applied Physiology	LU- Nurse-00229
129	Atrio Ventricular Heart Blocks	LU- Nurse-00230
130	Inflammatory Heart Disease	LU- Nurse-00231
131	Intentional Rounding	LU- Nurse-00232
132	Fundamentals of Constipation and the Older Adult	LU-Nurse- 00233
133	Urinary Elimination and the Older Adult	LU-Nurse- 00234

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