



Manager Information Sheet Higher Diploma in Science in Nursing Pathway: Specialist Transition Structure Academic Year 2007/2008

If you are reading this Manager Introduction Pack it is possible that a member of staff in your area is considering taking a Higher Diploma in Science in Nursing.

Your support is necessary as it has been agreed with the Directors of Nursing across all disciplines as well as the Nursing and Midwifery Planning and Development Unit that learners undertaking this programme are expected to apply the material they are engaging with at college within their area of clinical practice. The application to practice will involve the learners choosing assignments that are relevant to their nursing practice.

It can be seen therefore that your support is vital if the learner is to undertake this programme. Learners cannot be accepted onto the programme without your signature on the manager support form. Please review the course information leaflets and if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to make contact as identified below.

Apart from your support the learner will require a mentor to work alongside the learner in achieving the course and specific learner outcomes. Mentors will be required to attend an appropriate orientation workshop and you will also be invited to attend this where appropriate.

As you can see there are great opportunities to encourage development and your support will be necessary. Once all the documentation is completed and the learner is accepted onto the programme a member of the course team will come to visit you in your ward area to discuss what will be happening on the programme and to organise the educational audit.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact the course co-ordinator.

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