



Acute Clinical Oncology

With the increasing incidence of cancer and the wider availability of treatment options, a significant proportion of acute admissions to hospitals are accounted for by cancer patients. The management of these acutely unwell patients requires both multidisciplinary and evidence based approaches.

The following course will aim to develop the practitioner's in-depth knowledge of assessment and management of acute oncological presentations to both general hospitals and specialist cancer units.

This eight-week course will be delivered wholly online and will be highly interactive with audio-visual presentations; case based interactive discussion boards and blogs.

Learning outcomes:

On successful completion of the module, the student will be able to:

- demonstrate in-depth knowledge and understanding of the clinical presentations of cancer including the underlying molecular processes and disease staging
- reflect critically upon clinical decision making utilising a multidisciplinary approach within the context of the NHS and its structures
- analyse and evaluate critically relevant literature, protocols, guidance and policies to ensure current, evidence based practice in relation to the management of acute oncological emergencies, and appropriate psychosocial care of the severely ill and dying patient

- evaluate critically the literature on the molecular basis of the disease, appropriate symptom management, the management of toxicity and associated adverse drug reactions to inform effective and safe patient management
- reflect critically upon their own development with emphasis on the identification of professional learning needs
- reflect critically on clinical activity and the limitations of their role and that of other disciplines within the UK practice setting (NHS) to ensure patient safety.

Target audience:

This 15 credit bearing masters level course is aimed at those with a medical degree, nursing degree, or another primary degree plus two years postgraduate experience in a cancer related discipline.

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