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CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD) OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND HEALTH CARE SCIENTISTS

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As part of NLIAH's commitment to provide careers information for all the professions within its remit, NLIAH has produced this information sheet to highlight the range of CPD opportunities available to Allied Health Professionals and Health Care Scientists with examples of the courses and links (see attached) on where to search further for more detailed information. This is not an exhaustive list, but hopefully will give you ideas on where to look next.

The Health Professions Council has defined CPD as

...a range of learning activities through which professionals maintain and develop throughout their career to ensure that they retain their capacity to practise safely, effectively and legally within their evolving scope of practice.

The HPC has agreed that CPD will be linked to registration through its CPD standards launched in July 2005.

Range of CPD Opportunities

CPD activities are broad, and include:

- Work based learning opportunities - clinical audit activities, journal clubs, in-service training, secondments and shadowing.
- Professional activities - involvement in specialist interest groups, mentoring, attendance at branch meetings, presentation at conferences.
- Formal/educational activities - courses, distance learning, submission of papers, undertaking research.
- Self directed learning - progress files, review of books and articles.
- Other activities – voluntary work and public service.

Who to Contact for Information?

You are advised in the first instance to contact

- Your employer's in-service training department
- Higher Educational Establishments (see attached)
- Professional Organisations (see attached).



USEFUL WEBSITES

General Websites	
National Leadership and Innovation Agency for Healthcare	www.nliah.wales.nhs.uk
Health Professions Council	www.hpc-uk.org
Connect	www.ukconnect.org
The Prospects Postgraduate Directory	www.prospects.ac.uk
Profession Specific Websites	
Afasic	www.afasic.org.uk
Association of Clinical Biochemists	www.acb.org.uk
Association of Clinical Cytogeneticists	www.cytogenetics.org.uk
Association of Clinical Embryologists	www.ivf.net/ace
Association of Clinical Scientists (ACS)*	www.assclinsci.org
The Association of Operating Department Practitioners	www.aodp.org
Association of Professional Music Therapists*	www.apmt.org
The Association for Research into Stammering in Childhood (ARAC)	www.stammeringcentre.org
Association for Respiratory Technology and Physiology	www.artp.org.uk
British Academy of Audiology*	www.baaudiology.org
British Association of Art Therapists*	www.baat.org
British Association of Drama Therapists*	www.badth.org.uk
British Association of Play Therapists	www.bapt.info
British Association of Prosthetists and Orthotists (BAPO)*	www.bapo.com
The British Dietetic Association*	www.bda.uk.com
British Orthoptic Society*	www.orthoptics.org.uk
British Paramedic Association*	www.britishparamedic.org
British Society of Haemostasis and Thrombosis	www.bsht.bham.ac.uk
British Society for Histocompatibility And Immunogenetics (BSHI)	www.bshi.org.uk
British Society for Immunology	www.immunology.org
British Society for Music Therapy	www.bsmt.org
Chartered Society for Physiotherapy*	www.csp.org.uk
College of Occupational Therapists (COT)*	www.cot.co.uk
The Electrophysical Technologists' Association*	www.epta.50megs.com
Institute of Biomedical Science*	www.ibms.org
The Institute of Chiropodists & Podiatrists	www.inst-chiropodist.org.uk
Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine	www.ipem.ac.uk
The Royal College of Pathologists	www.rcpath.org
Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists (RCSLT)*	www.rcslt.org
The Society and College of Radiography*	www.sor.org
The Society of Chiropodists and Podiatrists*	www.feetforlife.org
Society for General Microbiology	www.sgm.ac.uk

*Indicates Professional Bodies

EXAMPLES OF GENERIC CPD COURSES

	Additional Information
TRINITY COLLEGE CARMARTHEN	www.trinity-cm.ac.uk (E.Perry@trinitycm.ac.uk)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Methods; Education; Learning Styles. 	MA/MSc, PG Cert., PG Dip. Most Bilingual. Some Welsh Medium only
UNIVERSITY OF GLAMORGAN	WWW.GLAM.AC.UK (ENQUIRIES@GLAM.AC.UK)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pain Management 	BSc (Hons). Part-time distance learning 2-5 years.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Care Management; MSc/PgD/PgC • Health Promotion: BSc (Hons); • Health Economics: PgD/PgC; • Research: Diploma MSc, MPhil, PhD; • Cancer Care: BSc(Hons) 	Multi-professional. Part time
SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF WALES SWANSEA	www.swansea.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Management of the NHS 	MSc / PgC/ PgD in a variety of areas. Multi professional. Part time
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Promotion 	SHEPS accredited. MSc /PgD /PgC. Full-time or Part-time basis
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Informatics 	MSc /PgD /PgC. Full-time or Part-time basis
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Care Management 	MSc /PgD /PgC. Validated by the Institute of Healthcare Management Full-time and/or Part-time basis
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Clinical Practice/Interprofessional 	MSc /PgD /PgC. Part-time
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health Care Law and Ethics 	MA /PgD /PgC. Part-time. Distance Learning with block attendance
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality Improvement in Healthcare 	Certificate/Diploma/MSc. Part-time
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD & MPhil 	Full-time or Part-time
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate in Counselling Skills 	Part-time – minimum of two years
North East Wales Institute of Higher Education	www.newi.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MSc Health, Social Research 	Part-time
University of Wales, Bangor	www.bangor.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MSc Health Science; MSc Health and Social Care Leadership; 	Multi-professional
UNIVERSITY OF WALES, NEWPORT	www.newport.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MA Diploma and Certificate: Post Compulsory Education and Training (PcET) 	Normally 3 years; 1 evening per week at Caerleon Campus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Childhood Studies MA, PgC & PgD 	Inter-disciplinary Full-time or Part-time
LEARNDIRECT	www.learnirect.co.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health & Safety; Discrimination; First Line Management; Presentation Skills; Induction (Level 3) 	On line or Learn Direct Centre 0800 100 900

EXAMPLES OF PROFESSION SPECIFIC CPD COURSES

	Additional Information
School of Healthcare Studies, Cardiff University	www.cf.ac.uk/healthcarestudies/postgrad_continuing_ed_unit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physiotherapy MSc & PgD, PgC (e.g. Neurosciences, neuromusculoskeletal, sports, respiratory) 	Some modules multi-professional
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MSc, PgD Occupational Therapy; PgC Professional Practice in Neurosciences 	Some modules multi-professional
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operating Department Practice BSc (Hons) 	Part-time modular study over 18 months to 3 years for those already qualified
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ODP Placement Educators Programme at M level 	For ODPs offering mentorship for Cardiff University ODP students
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MSc, PgD, PgC Radiography (e.g. mammography, reporting, image appreciation) 	Some modules multi-professional Diagnostic and Therapeutic Radiography
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multiprofessional and Profession Specific Courses: All Wales Professional and Technical Staff Training Programme 	A range of one day and short courses offered at venues throughout Wales. Programme varies each year. westonld@cf.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M Phil. PhD related to Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Radiography. Research Degrees 	
University of Wales Institute Cardiff	www.uwic.ac.uk (anicholls@uwic.ac.uk)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dietetics; MSc & Clinical Educators 	Part time and short courses available. Endorsed by the British Dietetic Association
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Podiatry 	Various Courses accredited by UWIC and the Professional Body
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speech and Language Therapy & Clinical Educators 	2-day course. Llandaff Campus
The Association for Research into Stammering in Childhood.	Finsbury Health Centre, Pine Street, London EC1R 0LP info@stammeringcentre.org 020 7530 4238
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speech and Language Therapy 	Workshops and courses of up to 2 weeks duration
Afasic Cymru	The Exchange Building, Mount Stuart Square, Cardiff Bay. CF10 5EB. http://www.afasic.org.uk/cymru
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speech & Language Therapy 	Courses, conferences and study days.
CONNECT	16-18 Marshalsea Rd. Southwark London SE1 1HL info@ukconnect.org
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SPEECH & LANGUAGE THERAPY 	Day and short courses. Although based in London some courses are held in Wales.
BOBATH CYMRU	www.bobathwales.co.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi professional Some specifically for physiotherapists, occupational therapists, speech and language therapists. 	Courses, study days and workshops 029 2052 2600

EXAMPLES OF PROFESSION SPECIFIC COURSES (Continued)

UNIVERSITY OF WALES, BANGOR	www.bangor.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY 	Two-year course. Postgraduate Diploma.. EastgateOT@cf.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RADIOGRAPHY M Level credits; Some multi professional modules; MSc 	Research process (Multi professional); Imaging of the Upper GI Tract CT in Trauma
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> College of Radiographers Intravenous Injection Course 	Part of the PgCert in CT but is also available as a stand-alone course. Course can be organised in individual departments
SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF WALES SWANSEA	www.healthscience.swan.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (MENTALLY ILL) 	Multi professional BSc (Hons). Day release
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PHYSIOTHERAPISTS MA /PgD /PgC Medical Humanities 	Multi-professional; Suitable for physiotherapists; Part-time Distance Learning
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY BSc (Hons) Working with Seriously Mentally Ill Individuals 	Day release 2 years, part-time or a maximum of 4 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PARAMEDICS BSc (Hons) and Diploma in Pre-Hospital Care 	State registered paramedics Part-time basis – six one-week blocks per year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MSc /PgD /PgC Medical Radiation Physics 	Accredited by the Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine (IPEM) Full-time or Part-time
UNIVERSITY OF WALES, NEWPORT	www.newport.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS, SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPISTS MA Autism 	Multi-professional. Full-time or Part-time. Location Caerleon Campus
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS, PHYSIOTHERAPISTS, SPEECH AND LANGUAGE THERAPISTS & OTHER PAM. MA Professions Allied to Medicine 	Full-time, Part-time E learning At Caerleon Campus
ROYAL WELSH COLLEGE OF MUSIC AND DRAMA	www.rwcmd.ac.uk
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MUSIC THERAPISTS MA IN MUSIC THERAPY 	Accredited by the Association of Professional Music Therapists

Attached for your information is a list of the Higher Education Establishments in Wales who you may wish to contact for further details of the above or other courses, which may be available.

HEI contacts

<p>Postgraduate and Continuing Education Unit School of Healthcare Studies Cardiff University Ty Dewi Sant Heath Park Cardiff CF14 4XN Tel: 029 2074 3449 Fax: 029 2074 4250 Email: streets@cardiff.ac.uk Web: www.cardiff.ac.uk</p>	<p>Admissions Department UWIC, PO Box 377 Western Avenue Cardiff CF5 2YB Tel: 029 2041 6044/47 Fax: 029 2041 6286 Email: uwicinfo@uwic.ac.uk Web: www.uwic.ac.uk</p>
<p>Royal Welsh College of Music & Drama Castle Grounds Cathays Park Cardiff CF10 3ER Tel: 029 2039 1363 Email: music.admissions@rwcmd.ac.uk Web: www.rwcmd.ac.uk</p>	<p>STUDENT REGISTRY University of Glamorgan Admail 3541 Pontypridd CF37 1DL Tel: 0800 716 925 Email: enquiries@glam.ac.uk Web: www.glam.ac.uk</p>
<p>Admissions Department School of Health Sciences University of Wales Swansea Singleton Park, Swansea SA2 8PP Tel: 01792 518531 Email: shsadmissions@swansea.ac.uk Web: www.swansea.ac.uk</p>	<p>Admissions University of Wales, Newport PO BOX 101 Newport NP18 3YH Telephone: 01633 432030 Fax: 01633 432850 Email: admissions@newport.ac.uk Web: www.newport.ac.uk</p>
<p>Postgraduate Admissions Office The University of Wales, Aberystwyth Old College King Street Aberystwyth SY23 2AX Tel: 01970 622023/270 Fax: 01970 622921 Email: pg-admissions@aber.ac.uk Web: www.aber.ac.uk</p>	<p>Admissions NEWI Plas Coch Mold Road Wrexham LL11 2AW Tel: 01978 293045 Fax: 01978 290008 Email: admissions@newi.ac.uk Web: www.newi.ac.uk</p>
<p>Postgraduate Admissions Officer University of Wales, Bangor College Road Bangor LL57 2DG Tel: 01248 382026 Email: admissions@bangor.ac.uk Web: www.bangor.ac.uk</p>	<p>Trinity College Carmarthen Carmarthen SA31 3EP Tel: 01267 676767 Fax: 01267676766 Email: registry@trinity-cm.ac.uk Web: www.trinity-cm.ac.uk</p>
<p>Postgraduate Admissions Department University of Wales Lampeter SA48 7ED Tel: 01570 424748 Fax: 01570 423530 Email: pg-office@lamp.ac.uk Web: www.lamp.ac.uk</p>	