

# **MODULE DESCRIPTOR**

# **Module Title**

Developing the Professional Paramedic				
Reference	NU2402	Version	3	
Created	September 2024	SCQF Level	SCQF 8	
Approved	May 2020	SCQF Points	30	
Amended	December 2024	ECTS Points	15	

# Aims of Module

To enable the student to develop knowledge and skills in relation to the assessment and management of common medical and surgical emergencies or trauma within healthcare teams.

# Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Explain the relationship between a wide range of clinical presentations and the relevant pathophysiology/ psychopathology.
- 2 Demonstrate appropriate clinical assessment and documentation.
- 3 Demonstrate in a simulated environment, effective and appropriate interventions pertinent to a wide range acute of illnesses and injury.
- 4 Discuss how environmental and socio-economical factors may impact of ill-health and trauma.
- <sup>5</sup> Explore the role of the paramedic within the uni-professional and inter professional team, acknowledging the HCPC standards of proficiency and standards of conduct, performance and ethics.

# **Indicative Module Content**

Evidence based practice; Professional behaviours; Teamworking; Multidisciplinary teams; Self-management; Human factors; Assessment and history taking; Referral pathways; Management of the following: pain, allergies, anaphylaxis, fluid maldistribution, sepsis, shock, acute coronary syndromes; 12 lead ECG interpretation; Cerebrovascular accidents; Seizures; Diabetic emergencies; Acute abdomen, gastro intestinal and urinary emergencies; Respiratory conditions; Responding to self-harm and suicidality; Individuals in mental distress; Poisoning; Foreign body obstruction; Environmental emergencies; Abnormal psychology/mental health issues; Emergencies in pregnancy and childbirth; Peri arrest management; Children and young people acute and deterioration management; Vulnerable patient groups; Advance cardiac life support; Environmental factors and special circumstances in resuscitation; Paediatric and neonatal life support; Recognition of death; End of life care; Do not resuscitate; Living will; Breaking bad news. This module aligns with UNSDG goal 3

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#### **Module Delivery**

Blended learning approach including: lectures, tutorials, online learning, virtual community.

Indicative Student Workload		Part Time
Contact Hours	70	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	230	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours		N/A
TOTAL		N/A
Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body		

# **ASSESSMENT PLAN**

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

### Component 1

Туре:	Practical Exam	Weighting:	100%	Outcomes Assessed:	1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Description:	Objective Structured Clinical Examination				

# MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR

# **Explanatory Text**

Multi station Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE)

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
Α	C1=A
В	C1=B
С	C1=C
D	C1=D
E	C1=E
F	C1=F
NS	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

# Module Requirements

Prerequisites for Module	None in addition to SCQF level 8 entry requirements.
Corequisites for module	None.
Precluded Modules	None.

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