

Module Title	Reference NUM078
Leading and Advancing Specialist Community Public Health Practice	SCQF SCQF
	Level 11
	SCQF Points 15
	ECTS Points 7.5
Keywords	Created March 2016
	Approved June 2016
	Amended
	Version No. 1

This Version is No Longer Current

The latest version of this module is available [here](#)

Prerequisites for Module

None, in addition to course entry requirements or equivalent and will normally have successfully completed NUM074.

Indicative Student Workload

	Full	Part
<i>Contact Hours</i>	Time	Time
	15	15

Corequisite Modules

None.

<i>Directed Study</i>		
Practice Based Learning		
	110	110

Precluded Modules

None.

<i>Private Study</i>		
	25	25

Aims of Module

To enable students to consolidate and further develop their proficiency within their defined area of practice.

Mode of Delivery

Blending learning including learning in practice, 2 days attendance at University incorporating the prescribing element if selected, and supporting online resources.

Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module,

Assessment Plan

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students are expected to be able to:

1. Reflect and critically evaluate their skills, knowledge and attributes required to fulfil the role of the specialist community public health nurse in their defined area of practice.
2. Critically evaluate the contemporary pharmacological knowledge base to prescribe safely, appropriately and cost efficiently from the nurse prescriber's formulary for community practitioners. (This learning outcome is only applicable to those undertaking the prescribing element.)
3. Critically appraise the four pillars of advanced practice to promote practice.
4. Critically explore, analyse and evaluate an appropriate area of personal development relevant to specialist community public health nursing.

Indicative Module Content

The student will critically reflect on practice and apply core knowledge, skills and attributes required as a specialist community public health nurse in their defined area of practice including: Continuing professional development; Personal development planning; Management and leadership.

	Learning Outcomes Assessed
Component 1	1,3,4
Component 2	2

Component 2: National prescribing examination for those undertaking the prescribing element, which has a pass grade of 80% for the pharmacology element and 100% for the numeracy.

Please note the exam does not contribute to the overall module grade. This component is only applicable to those undertaking the prescribing element.

Component 1: Practice portfolio including achievement of public health proficiencies.

Indicative Bibliography

1. LILLYMAN, S. and MERRIX, P., 2012. *Nursing & health portfolios and reflective practice: survival guide*. Abingdon: Routledge.
2. LUKER, K.A., McHUGH, G.A. and BRYAR, R.M., eds., 2017. *Health visiting: preparation for practice*. 4th ed. Chichester: Blackwell.
3. NURSING AND MIDWIFERY COUNCIL (NMC), 2018. *Part 2: Standards for student supervision and assessment*. London: NMC.

management and leadership;
Team working; Project
management; Evidence informed
decision making; Reflection on
professional practice.

V100 Prescribing - Consultation;
Decision-making and therapy
including referral; Anatomical
and physiological differences
across the lifespan; Influences on
and psychology of prescribing;
Prescribing in a team context;
Clinical pharmacology including
the effects of co-morbidity;
Numeracy and drug calculations;
Principles and methods of patient
monitoring; Evidence-based
practice and clinical governance
in relation to prescribing; Legal,
policy and ethical aspects;
Licensed and unlicensed drugs;
Professional accountability and
responsibility; Prescribing in the
public health context.

4.NURSING AND MIDWIFERY
COUNCIL (NMC), 2004.

*Standards of proficiency for
specialist community public
health nurses.* London: NMC.

5.A current and comprehensive list
of references will be supplied on
an annual basis to reflect the
evolving nature of the topics
addressed within this module.

Additional Notes

A minimum 10 weeks whole time
equivalent will be spent in practice.
HV and SN students will undertake
an additional 3 weeks Alternative
Practice hours to be completed
within the Module time frame of
either NUM074 or NUM078/98.
This will be negotiated with the
Health Board/Health and Social
Care Partnership and be confirmed
by completion of
NUM078/NUM098.