

Professional Support Unit

Newsletter – January 2017

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Developing people for health and healthcare

Partnership with Dyslexia Action and Hidden Disability Questionnaires (HDQ)

We've partnered with Dyslexia Action and now offer HDQ screening for those trainees struggling with exams. Should the results indicate a learning difficulty, then an Education Psychology assessment is still funded by the Professional Support Unit (PSU). This is a new process and as with all new processes may take some adjustment. Please get in touch if you notice any areas for concern. For more information please email <u>psu.em@hee.nhs.uk</u>.

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Workshops for 2017

The PSU are aiming towards a more preventative approach, meaning that we will be running more courses during 2017 that target common problem areas:

- Communication.
- Leadership.
- Dealing with Colleagues.
- Managing stress.
- Time Management.

Key Information:

- Free.
- Full and half day workshops.
- Courses running across the East Midlands.
- Courses for both Trainees and Trainers.

For more information please email thomas.hamilton@hee.nhs.uk.



Referrals and Risk

We have a new referral agreement which we now ask trainees to sign. Please see attached. Please note should the trainee receive any support from the PSU including reports, it is their responsibility to act on the support offered. Any recommendations in reports to improve working practices must be actioned by the trainee.

We would like all referrals to show some initial conversations with the trainees have taken place. Referrals forms will now ask for the trainee signature as well. Using reflection and SMART can be useful. This will speed up the support we offer.

All of our referrals are given a risk level 1-4. Those who have one issue and no serious concerns or health issues will be contacted via telephone first. Any referrals risked level 2-4 will be seen by our Case Managers. Referrals risked at level 4 will be seen by our APD Jo Jones. Referrals are continually reviewed regardless of risk level given as we appreciate that things can change. Please email <u>laura.meaney@hee.nhs.uk</u>.



Occupational Health

The PSU are working closely with Ian Aston and Anne De Bono to develop occupational health services across the East Midlands. A workshop will be held on the 25th April for Occupational Health practitioners to attend. Please look out for further details.

Please see attached guidance on referrals to Occupational Health; all referrals must copy in the PSU inbox <u>psu.em@hee.nhs.uk</u>.



The move to Leicester

You may have heard that we will be moving from our current base at Ruddington to alternative, government owned offices in July 2017. Our new office will be based at Westbridge Place in Leicester city centre.

Between now and July, we will undergo a period of considerable change, but this has given us the opportunity to look at the way we work and improve the service we offer.

One change will be that instead of expecting you to travel to our office for meetings the PSU will come to postgraduate centres to visit you. This will cut down on both costs and time incurred by you. This is one of a number of new ways of working that we will be exploring to both accommodate the move and improve the service that you can expect from us.

We will keep you up to date with any further changes and in the meantime are keen to hear from you if you have any suggestions on how we can improve the PSU. Please email <u>psu.em@hee.nhs.uk</u>.

The Professional Support Unit

We're here to support you, so please get in touch:

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