



## User guide for participants and mentors

# Enhancing Practice in Kidney Care:

## An e-learning course for nurses working in kidney care

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#### Introduction

Welcome to this e-learning course which aims to develop your knowledge and skills as a nurse working in kidney care. This course is designed for registered nurses including associate nurses.

Once you have been nominated to undertake this programme you will receive an email from OCB Media detailing your login details and the link to access the course (<u>https://kidneycare.helmlms.com</u>)

You will also be given one-year free membership to the Association of Nephrology Nurses UK (ANN UK - <u>https://ann-uk.org</u>).

All modules must be completed within 6 months of your account creation unless there are extenuating circumstances (such as prolonged illness or maternity leave). Please note you will not be able to access your account beyond the 6 month period.

Should you require an extension, your mentor will need to submit a formal request to OCB Media. The <u>extension request form</u> can be emailed to renal@ocbmedia.com.

Please note that unless there is an exceptional circumstance, your employer will be required to purchase a new course licence for you if your access is extended.

You will be sent a reminder of your completion date one month before your login expires.

#### Study Time

We have estimated 15 hours of study leave time to complete the interactive modules with an additional 15 hours for reflective practice. Total 30 hours over 6 months.

Example:

2.5 hrs protected study time per month x 6 months

2.5 hrs negotiated time per month x 6 months

Depending on where you work study leave will need to be negotiated with your line manager factored into your roster.

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#### Preparation for the course

There is no pre-course preparation, but you will need a nominated mentor from the start with relevant experience to support your learning. Please email your mentors name and email address to <u>renal@ocbmedia.com</u> if you have not already provided this information before commencing the course.

#### Mentor responsibilities

Your mentor will be sent a link to the course administration system along with instructions of how to sign off your reflective practice documents.

Their role is;

- To sign off each module as it is completed, checking the provided evidence of each reflective practice document.
- Provide ongoing support, with organised review time to ensure you are on track for completion with 6 months
- Support you in utilising time appropriately and allocating dedicated study time.

#### Completion

Your mentor will be sent a link to the course administration system along with instructions of how to sign off your reflective practice documents.

Once you have completed the course you will receive a certificate (which can be downloaded from your account) and be asked to provide some feedback.

You can apply to convert this learning to level 6 or 7 accreditation at your local university as a negotiated or work-based learning module as part of your existing studies. This will require separate CPD funding which you can apply for within your own organisation.

Example links to are university are below.

https://www.salford.ac.uk/courses/single-module/work-based-learning-in-practice-level-6-20credits

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