



Principles and Practice of Breast Care

Level 6 - 40 credits

Delivered in partnership with The Christie School of Oncology

Who is it for?

This course is aimed at qualified health care professionals who care for patients with breast cancer. This course is also available at Level 7, for further information please visit <http://www.nursing.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/cpd/modules/>

Key benefits

- Students attending this course will develop the knowledge and skills needed to provide evidence based interventions for breast cancer patients and their families.
- The unit can be taken as a single course unit for continuing professional development (CPD) or as part of the Degree Programme.
- Clinical practice is undertaken in your own clinical area.

What will I learn?

Breast cancer is one of the most common cancers affecting women in the UK. The course will help you gain a better understanding of breast cancer, its causes and treatment and the psycho-social implications of the disease. Students will also have the opportunity to develop their interpersonal and assessment skills.

How is the course assessed?

The assessment consists of a written analysis of a recorded simulated patient interview **which will be undertaken during the course.**

Attendance

Part time, normally two days every two weeks over a 14 week period. **Please note attendance for summative assessment is compulsory and will be undertaken during the study dates.** For study dates, please see the Course Schedule at www.nursing.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/cpd/

Dates of next intake

January 2016

NB. Course unit availability will be subject to minimum numbers.

Funding

Funding for the programme or individual course units may be available through the CPD Service Level Agreement (SLA) for staff working in the NHS in Greater Manchester (and in the case of some course units the wider North West). To access SLA funding each course unit must be approved by an authorised SLA signatory on an individual basis. For more information applicants should contact the Education and Training lead within their organisation, Practice educator, or equivalent.

If not eligible for CPD SLA funding candidates may also apply with employer support

or self-funding. The fee for 2014-2015 will be £2160 for Level 6.

How do I apply?

Applications must be received by the University by 14th November 2015 for the January 2016 intake.

If you are being funded by Service Level Agreement, please contact your Trust and then apply online at www.cpd-applynw.nhs.uk

- **Pre-requisites**

- Must work in a breast care setting with access to patients with a breast cancer diagnosis
- Must work at least 18 hours per week
- Must have at least six months experience in a related field
- Must have successfully studied at Level 5
- Must be registered with the NMC – if NMC registration is not appropriate, applicants must have achieved GCSE English at Grade C or above or equivalent.

- **Supporting information and personal statement**

- Should include details of your current post and your role and previous study at level 5 and 6
- Outline the reasons why you wish to undertake this course unit.

If you are not being funded by SLA, above pre-requisites also apply. Please send a completed CPD Application Form for stand-alone applications or a Funding and Support Confirmation Form for continuing degree students only to CPD Admissions Office, Jean McFarlane Building, The University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester, M13 9PL or e-mail to conted.nursing@manchester.ac.uk

Application forms and Funding and support confirmation forms (continuing degree students) are available from: www.nursing.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/cpd For other information, please telephone the Admissions Office on 0161 306 7604 or email conted.nursing@manchester.ac.uk