

Practice Assessor Preparation

This preparation is for registered **Nurses and Nurse Associates** who wish to become **Practice Assessors**.

You should be working in a practice environment, have experience of working with and supporting pre-registration nursing and nursing associate students. Practice Assessors assess and confirm the student's achievement of proficiencies and programme outcomes for a practice learning placement.

All Practice Assessors are required by the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) to have received preparation and support to undertake the role. In addition, they must have current knowledge and experience relevant to the area and programme of study for which they are providing support, supervision, assessment and feedback (NMC 2018).

This preparation is ideally suited to individuals who are **experienced** in supporting students in clinical practice.

This preparation is planned in collaboration with practice educators / facilitators and employers.

Nursing students are assigned to practice and academic assessors who are registered nurses with appropriate equivalent experience for the student's field of practice. **Nursing associate students** are assigned to practice and academic assessors who are either a registered nursing associate or a registered nurse.

Entry Requirements:

- Hold a registrable qualification with the NMC
- Have relevant knowledge and experience of your clinical area
- Have Manager and Practice Facilitator / Education approval to attend

Topics include:

- The Practice Assessor role in conjunction with The NMC (2018) Standards to Support Student Supervision and Assessment (SSSA)
- Interpersonal communication skills, relevant to student learning and assessment
- Supervision and coaching
- Identifying learning opportunities
- Understanding equality and diversity
- Conducting objective, evidence based assessments of students
- Evaluating evidence
- Providing constructive feedback to facilitate professional development in others



- Knowledge of the assessment process and your role and responsibilities within it
- An understanding of the proficiencies and programme outcomes that the student you assess is aiming to achieve, together with the related documentation.
- Managing concerns

The preparation will include 1 day of e-Learning in addition to the classroom session. **The e-learning must be completed prior to attending the workshop.** Confirmation of your workshop place will not be sent until the e-learning has been completed. There is no charge to attend this preparation.

Facilitators; Sarah Weaver (Senior Lecturer) and the Practice Learning Team

Dates

30 August 2022 (virtual)

16 November 2022 (virtual)

22 September 2022 (virtual)

8 December 2022 (virtual)

18 October 2022 (virtual)

26 January 2023 (virtual)

All sessions will run 09.15 – 16.30.

Semester 2 dates will be advertised in due course. It is hoped that a proportion of these will be offered face-to-face at the University of Worcester.

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