

Department of Allied Health Professions, Midwifery and Social Work

Module Code: 7HSK2007

Module Title: Shared Decision Making – 15 credits

This course is delivered over 9 (nine) days of teaching:

- Dates: 21/9/22; 28/9/22; 6/10/22; 12/10/22; 19/10/22; 2/11/22; 9/11/22; 16/11/22; 23/11/22.

Delivery of the module will embody the University of Herts learning principles – using a blended and flexible learning approach. You should be available to attend most sessions.

This course is for both health and social care qualified professionals, as well as for people with lived experience of health and social care issues. It can be taken as a standalone course or as part of a postgraduate award.

Course aims

This module aims to enable participants to:

- *Become knowledgeable about the why and how of shared decision making in health and social care internationally
- *Acquire skills and the use of decision- making aids necessary to practice shared decision making in the participants' practice or living issues of different age groups.
- *Identify and analyse barriers and facilitators of shared decision making
- *Evaluate approaches to shared decision making and their impact on service users and providers

Content

The course will introduce the principles of each approach to shared decision making, look at barriers and facilitators of this way of working, and focus on implementing shared decision making to health and social care practices and living issues. It will include opportunities to try out shared decision making in a supportive environment.

Assessment

Assessment is undertaken via 2000 words written case study which has focused on the processes and outcomes of attempting to implement shared decision making in everyday practice or living, and an oral presentation of 20 minutes during the last session of the module.

Who teaches this course?

The course is led by Shulamit Ramon, professor of social inclusion and wellbeing. She is a registered social worker and a chartered clinical psychologist by her training, and an experienced action researcher of shared decision making. Shula (as she is known) has published 13 books and more than 100 peer reviewed articles. Recently she has been the first editor of a special issue on shared decision making in mental health internationally, published by Frontiers Psychiatry (doi:10.3389/fpyst.2021.793284).

Some of the sessions will be delivered by experts in experience and participatory action researchers.

Cost

The fee is £1620.

Please note that the fee may vary depending on your source of funding and whether you are a returning student. To find out information about the fees visit go.herts.ac.uk/cpdfees

The course forms part of the MSc in Advanced Social Work Practice, as well as a broader CPD framework that can lead to the award of Postgraduate Certificate, Postgraduate Diploma or Master's degree.

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