

Programme Specification Document

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Overview

Programme Code	35091	
Programme Title	Specialist Practitioner Community Children's Nursing	
Awarding Institution	Liverpool John Moores University	
Programme Type	Masters	
Programme Leader	Caroline Boyle	
Link Tutor(s)		

Awards

Award Type	Award Description	Award Learning Outcomes
Target Award	Postgraduate Diploma - PD	See Learning Outcomes Below

Alternate Award Names	
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External Benchmarks

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Accreditation

Programme Accredited by

PSRB Name	Type of Accreditation	Valid From Date	Valid To Date	Additional Notes
Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC)				

Programme Offering(s)

Mode of Study, Mode of Delivery	Intake Month	Teaching Institution	Programme Length
Full-Time, Face to Face	September	LJMU Taught	1 Years

Aims and Outcomes

Educational Aims of the Programme

In partnership with practice and community stakeholders, the programme aims to provide: A contemporary approach to the development of the Specialist Practitioner in Community Children's Nursing who will be fit for practice, fit for purpose, fit for award and fit for professional standing. Academic rigour that meets the requirements of: LJMU; the Nursing and Midwifery Council; the Quality Assurance Agency The resources, skills, knowledge and evidence base to: change their practice by transferring their existing professional knowledge, skills, attitudes and values to the community context; develop their role through working in partnership with children, young people, parents and other professionals, agencies and stakeholders; enable them to work as a Specialist Practitioner in Community Children's Nursing who is a member/leader of a multi-disciplinary/multi-agency team; work from a health-focused perspective recognising health as a positive resource and life-long process. The opportunity to achieve competencies in relation to the search for and stimulation of awareness of health needs, influencing policies affecting health and facilitating health enhancing activities. The opportunity to develop the knowledge and understanding they will require to meet the needs of neonates, children, young people and families at, or closer to home; this will include children and young people who have acute health care needs as well as those with long term conditions, disabilities or palliative care needs. An appreciation of the importance of effective discharge planning to support the provision of seamless care between hospital and home. An understanding of life-course transitions and the additional support children and young people with continuing care needs will require during their journey from birth to young adulthood and transitions between services. An awareness of the importance of addressing health inequalities through the re-orientation of existing services and the planning and provision of new ones. Practice experiences that are relevant, underpinned by the philosophy of the programme and enable the student to develop clinical effectiveness and deliver high quality health care. Opportunities to meet the competencies of the Specialist Practitioner in Community Children's Nursing field of practice. A dynamic and high quality educational experience relevant to the Specialist Practitioner in Community Children's Nursing. Opportunities to work in a critical, analytical and reflective, evaluative and strategic manner and to provide them with the opportunity to acquire life-long learning skills. An understanding of their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding children and young people and promoting their mental health and well-being. Opportunity to develop the ability to use a continuum of public health practice within their role. Post Graduate skills and knowledge to lead, innovate and contribute to the evidence base of practice and deal with the complexity and challenges inherent in the strategic development of Community Children's Nursing Services . Opportunities to develop their leadership qualities and abilities in a range of complex settings and contexts. This should include responsibility for the delegation, supervision and facilitation of the practice of others. Cognitive and practical abilities to continue to develop a level of critical thinking, which can be communicated to others in order to enable them to work successfully with uncertainty. Challenges and opportunities to consider the strategic impact of their professional role on the development of practice within the services they provide and the wider organisation. Skills and expertise necessary to develop as inspirational role models and mentors of other practitioners seeking to achieve higher levels of competency in Community Children's Nursing as well as agents of change in the development of Community Children's Nursing Services.

Learning Outcomes

Code	Description
PLO1	Critically evaluate the role and responsibilities of the Specialist Practitioner: Community Children's Nursing

Code	Description
PLO2	Analyse and interpret the legal and ethical frameworks in which the Specialist Practitioner: Community Children's Nursing works.
PLO3	Critically analyse and evaluate research which provides the evidence base for practice.
PLO4	Appraise the commissioning process and the financial and budgetary constraints that impact on service delivery
PLO5	Critically analyse, evaluate and synthesise
PLO6	Interpret data and applying these to make strategic choices to influence policy and processes
PLO7	Use diagnostic skills, problem solving and clinical judgement
PLO8	Demonstrate and exercise independence of mind and thought
PLO9	Make decisions in uncertain and complex situations
PLO10	Anticipate and predict potential critical incidents
PLO11	Demonstrate an understanding of political influences on practice
PLO12	Analyse the public health agenda in the context of community care
PLO13	Critically appraise research documents
PLO14	Demonstrate critical reasoning, creativity and originality of thought
PLO15	Use complexity theory
PLO16	Demonstrate an understanding of emotional intelligence
PLO17	Demonstrate competence in the role of the Specialist Practitioner: Community Children's Nursing.
PLO18	Retrieve, sift and select information from a variety of sources and apply findings to their area of practice
PLO19	Apply concepts and principles of leadership
PLO20	Effectively deliver and manage care to meet the needs of all children, young people and families at, or closer to, home; this will include neonates, children with long term conditions and disabilities and children requiring palliative or end of life care.
PLO21	Demonstrate sound clinical judgement and decision making skills, including paediatric clinical examination and recognition of acute and minor illnesses in children and young people.
PLO22	Demonstrate skills in change management and development of practice, including influencing skills; working with stakeholders and developing a case for service development.
PLO23	Analyse, interpret and evaluate data and information sources
PLO24	Enable children, young people and families to participate in the evaluation and development of services.
PLO25	Lead a team working in collaboration with multi-professional and multi-agency colleagues.

Code	Description
PLO26	Work in partnership with carers and service users to plan for discharge from hospital, provide holistic and appropriate care at home and support the life-course transitions of children and young people.
PLO27	Follow policy and procedures relating to safeguarding the health , well-being and development of children and young people and the protection of vulnerable adults.
PLO28	Demonstrate safety and competence in nurse prescribing (for eligible students)
PLO29	Communicate ideas effectively using a variety of media
PLO30	Manage time and work to deadlines
PLO31	Participate constructively in groups
PLO32	Work independently and be self-reliant
PLO33	Find information and use information technology
PLO34	Use research methods critically and constructively
PLO35	Apply principles of numeracy
PLO36	Critically evaluate the health and social policy agenda underpinning the role of the Specialist Practitioner: Community Children's Nursing.
PLO37	Critically evaluate leadership and management theory and its application in practice
PLO38	Critically evaluate the role of the multi-professional team and multi-agency working
PLO39	Appraise the value of working with other professionals, agencies and stakeholders to deliver, develop and enhance services for children, young people and families.
PLO40	Critically examine the principles and practice of nurse prescribing (for eligible students)

Programme Structure

Programme Structure Description

The programme for this award is delivered at level 7 (postgraduate). The programme is offered as full time (40 weeks), unless the student is undertaking the optional V300 Independent and Supplementary Non-Medical Prescribing route when it will be 52 weeks in length for full time students. The course is 50% theory and 50% practice. The Practice Evidence Tool (PET) provides the underpinning framework for students to demonstrate competence for the duration of the programmes. The PET structures learning in practice, and provides the opportunity to identify practice learning opportunities which will meet the agreed NMC competences. The PET must be passed in order to complete the full programme and achieve the recordable NMC qualification. Students who wish to undertake V300 Independent and Supplementary Non-Medical Prescribing as part of the PG Dip Specialist Community Practitioner Community Children's Nursing Programme must have at least one years' post registration experience. Students wishing to undertake this module must also be deemed competent by, and obtain permission and support from their employer. Successful completion of V300 Independent and Supplementary Non-Medical Prescribing, will enable the student to exit the programme with the V300 Independent and Supplementary Non-Medical Prescribing qualification, recordable with the Nursing and Midwifery Council. The V300 qualification must be recorded within 12 months of completing the programme of study.

Programme Structure - 120 credit points	
Level 7 - 120 credit points	
Level 7 Core - 80 credit points	CORE
[MODULE] 7102PCCOMM Leadership for Specialist Practice Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7147PCCOMM Research for Specialist Practice Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7153PCCOMM Paediatric Clinical Examination and Minor Illness Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7155PCCOMM Contemporary Issues in Community Children's Nursing Part 1 Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points	
Level 7 Optional - 40 credit points	OPTIONAL
[MODULE] 7100NPAPP Independent and Supplementary Prescribing Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7146PCCOMM Negotiated Work Base Learning for Specialist Practice Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7152PCCOMM Contemporary Issues in Community Children's Nursing Part 2 Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points	
[MODULE] 7154PCCOMM Contemporary Issues in Community Children's Nursing Part 2 with V100 Nurse Prescribing Approved 2022.01 - 20 credit points	

Module specifications may be accessed at https://proformas.ljmu.ac.uk/Default.aspx

Approved variance from Academic Framework Regulations

Variance

Paediatric clinical examination and minor illness module has a practice competency element (OSCE) which must be satisfied prior to the release of credit for the module. Students who do not pass the competency will be deemed to have failed that attempt at the module

A variance has been approved for 7100NPAPP that all components of the module must be passed including those contained within the practice competency. The examination element (weighted at 40%) has a pass mark of 80%. The numeracy assessment (written examination) within the practice / competency element has a pass mark of 100%

Teaching, Learning and Assessment

Essay, community health needs assessment, poster presentation, learning agreement, multidisciplinary group presentation, individual case study, individual presentation, written report, viva, practice assessment Interactive lectures and presentation, including video, practice related activities, informal quizzes, tutorials, seminars, group exercises, enquiry based learning techniques, learning through practice, simulation, Canvas and email, self directed study, use of reflective diary.

Opportunities for work related learning

Students will spend 50% of the programme in practice within the sponsoring/seconding NHS organisation. They will have an identified Practice Assessor/Practice Supervisor who will support and assist the student to meet their learning needs, and who will assess competency. Students are supernumerary during their practice placement.

Entry Requirements

Туре	Description
Alternative qualifications considered	120 credits at level 4 120 credits at level 5 120 credits at level 6 The Degree must normally be in a Health related area Non-graduates may, in exceptional circumstances, gain entry to the programme by virtue of a strong portfolio which provides evidence of significant achievement. These must meet both of the following criteria: Have a Diploma in H.E. in a related area (e.g. nursing) and written work equivalent to the standard of a First Degree, for example: Papers presented at conferences Publications Reports and innovative proposals Successful project management experience Additional requirements: Professional Requirements Must be registered as a Children's Nurse on the NMC Register, with a minimum of 1 years post registration experience. Students who wish to undertake V300 during the programme must also be a children's nurse on part one of the NMC register, with a minimum of 1 years post registration experience. Students must be seconded or sponsored by an NHS organisation. Recruitment: A coordinated approach to recruitment is established between the local NHS organisations and Liverpool John Moores University. Confirmation of satisfactory references and DBS check are also required.