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## INNOVATION IN EDUCATION - INTRODUCTORY COURSE IN OCCUPATIONAL MEDICINE USING 360 VISI WORKPLACE AIDS

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### Background

A gap was identified in the provision of NHS-delivered training for the Diplomas in Occupational Medicine (DOccMed) and Occupational Health Practice (DipOHPrac), but also for working in the complex system that is Occupational Health (OH).

Newcastle Occupational Health Service (OHS) setup an “Introductory Course in Occupational Medicine” as part of the NHS England GrowOH initiative and Department for Work and Pensions project to support understanding of how OH can improve working lives in the UK.

### Aims

- Increase accessibility to professional training for OH practitioners
- Prepare eligible attendees to sit the Diplomas offered by the Faculty of Occupational Medicine (FOM)
- Make connections/assist recruitment to OH

### Methods

Newcastle OHS was accredited as an approved course provider for the DOccMed and DipOHPrac by the FOM in December 2022.

A prioritisation strategy was applied to applicants. Initially, regional OH staff; then other NHS staff, including regional GPs.

Each cohort consists of 12 multi-professional participants.

The course is delivered live via MS Teams™ over 10 weeks and integrated the use of 360-degree learning tools developed by University of Nottingham.

### Results

Cohort one is in progress, it commenced 23 01 2023, with formal feedback sought after every session and acted upon prior to the next.

### Conclusions

Newcastle OHS has been contacted by over 100 interested applicants since its addition on the FOM website, indicating the high demand. A breakdown of those interested in the course, those attending, and examination outcomes will be presented, along with a summary of the feedback from tutors and participants.

References:

Faculty of Occupational Medicine website – last accessed 01 02 2023:

DOccMed (fom.ac.uk)

Diploma in Occupational Health Practice (DipOHPrac) (fom.ac.uk)

Web link to resources - 360 ViSi - 360visi