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Population Health Primary Care Integration Course

Information Sheet

This course is supported by General Practice SA to enhance the integration of programs and shared knowledge across networks.

Healthfirst Training Australia (HFTA) will be providing the training for this partnership.

Limited places available for clients who are interested in participating in the above course through the General Practice SA contract.

Healthfirst Training Australia (a Registered Training Organisation) is a business unit of the Adelaide Western General Practice Network and is a provider of Nationally Accredited Qualifications and Units from the Health Training Package.

We are able to provide tailored training to suit Industry Skill Sets including whole qualifications or specific units. The AWGPN's aim is that Healthfirst Training will support General Practice and the Allied Health Sector in South Australia and beyond, by providing quality training and contribute to a skilled workforce and a Professional Health Industry.

HFTA lecturers are practitioners in both the Clinical and Business Sector with vast and current experience in the Health Industry.

A population health approach assesses health status and health status inequities of the population as a whole as characterised by geography, age, culture or other defining features over the life span. (Source: Health Improvement Plans, SA Government, 2008).

Key principles to a population health approach include: population focus; preventative focus with stress on building individual / community's capacity to control health determinants for a better quality of life; sensitivity to access and equity issues / health inequalities; sensitivity to cultural differences; health as a resource for everyday living and not as an end in itself and also applying an evidence based approach.

Course Information

This qualification covers workers who are operational in a range of Population Health projects or programs. This qualification provides an entry level for Population Health work or as an additional qualification to those with existing specialist / clinical health qualifications. It covers workers who would contribute to the implementation of Population Health projects / programs by applying significant judgement in carrying out broad plans set out by Population Health Professionals. These workers may be responsible for managing work of others.

Occupational Titles for these workers may include:

Population Health Coordinator, Area Manager, Health Promotion Coordinator, Migrant Health Services Manager, Project Manager, Regional Coordinator, Regional Programs Coordinator and / or Senior Project Officer.

The qualification enables existing health professionals to extend their scope of expertise and broaden their career. For example, a person trained as a nurse or an allied health professional, could expand their career with the Diploma of Population Health to be in charge of the client population for a large general practice in the clinical and business component of the business.

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Program Delivery

An Invitation to Participate will be offered to a limited number of clients by Cathy Zesers, GPSA Senior Program Coordinator for Primary Care Integration. This will then be followed by the commencement of formal training;

- **Information Day — for Induction, Enrolment and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)**

Date: Monday 23rd August 2010, 9.00am to 4.00pm

Venue: HFTA—14 Church Street, Woodville South SA 5011

- Gap Training will continue monthly from 27th September then the fourth (4th) Monday of each month thereafter
- The length of course will be dependent on the Skills Recognition Process but all students should complete the required units for the Certificate IV in Population Health Qualification by March 2011
- Course Delivery Modes will include:

- ▶ **Face to face Learning**
- ▶ **Self Paced and On-line**
- ▶ **Group Discussions**
- ▶ **Mentoring**
- ▶ **Assignments**

- Assessment will be conducted throughout the course and may include:

- ▶ **Written Assignment**
- ▶ **Group Interaction**
- ▶ **Class Interaction**
- ▶ **Personal Presentations**
- ▶ **Peer Group Work**
- ▶ **Case Studies**
- ▶ **Research Tasks**

Presenters

The Principal Course Presenter is Mr. Don Allan, currently the General Manager of the AWGPN who has worked in the health industry for over 15 years as a social health planner, environmental health consultant and change management consultant. He has extensive areas of interest within population health.

Other presenters will be appointed from our industry lecturing group according to their specialist experience and expertise.

Certificate IV in Population Health — HLT42305

Units of Competency can include:

Core Units

Apply a Population Health Framework

Work with the Community to Identify Health Needs

Plan a Population Health Project

Evaluate a Population Health Project

Establish and Maintain Community, Government and Business Partnerships

Build Capacity to Promote Health

Undertake Systems Advocacy

Contribute to OHS Processes

Maintain OHS Processes

Maintain an Effective Work Environment

HLTPOP501B

HLTPOP502B

HLTPOP503B

HLTPOP504B

CHCCD19A

HLTPOP505B

CHCAD3A

HLTOHS300A

HLTOHS400A

CHCORG5B

Elective Units (section 1)

Undertake Research Activities

Share Health Information

Work within Specific Communities

Maintain Effective Networks

Participate in Policy Development

HCPOL3A

CHCHPROM1A

CHCCD13C

CHCNET2B

CHCPOL1A

Elective Units (section 2)

Manage Simple Projects

Maintain a Population Health Database

Coordinate Work

Prepare a Budget

PSPPM402B

HLTPOP401B

CHCORG23B

LGACOM503B

TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FREE COURSE

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