



APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION ON PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
MODULE

NS5077 - CHRONIC SKIN CONDITIONS

Name:

Contact address:

Next of Kin:  
Name & Contact Number:

Professional Qualification/Role:

Professional Registration Number if relevant:

Telephone numbers (Mobile or Work):

Email address:

Date of birth:

Period of registration at DCU:

Module for which you wish to register:

If a current or past student of DCU, please supply  
your student ID Number and the degree for which  
you are/were registered:

2018-2019
NS5077: Chronic Skin Conditions

SIGNED: ..... (APPLICANT)

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM ALONG WITH A CURRICULUM VITAE AND ONE PASSPORT PHOTOGRAPH TO THE ADDRESS BELOW.

## **ENGAGEMENT AGREEMENT FOR CLINICAL SUPERVISION PROCESS - Clinical Supervisor**

Re: \_\_\_\_\_ (student name)

Who has registered with Dublin City University to undertake a Stand-Alone module entitled Chronic Skin Conditions; part of their requirement is to attend lectures or equivalent contact hours at DCU six full days over the period of one academic semester. There are further requirements for this module, apart from attending lectures/tutorials, examinations and completing assignments. The module entails students fulfilling practice based learning requirements. To this end each student is required to have an identified clinical supervisor in place before commencing the module.

To augment and support learning in practice and facilitate the acquisition of skills and competencies in dermatology/ managing chronic skin conditions a clinical supervision framework has been established. This encompasses a collaborative clinical supervision agreement established between the student (supervisee) and Clinical Supervisor (supervisor) to enable the achievement of clinical competencies for the module. Competencies will be assessed in the workplace setting through a clinical competency assessment process.

The University acknowledges the time commitment from both the student and employing authority and for this reason we ask you to read and sign this form. The purpose of form is to summarise these requirements and also to have your signed agreement that the student, employed in your service will be able to meet them.

### **Clinical Practice Supervisor Engagement Agreement**

The higher education institution (HEI) will work collaboratively with the employing authority to ensure an optimum learning experience is provided for the student including the provision of supports necessary to promote and sustain engagement in the clinical supervision process. In advance of module commencement the HEI will require commitment in writing from the employing authority of the following:

- 1.** A commitment to provide a clinical environment conducive to learning for the student.
- 2.** A commitment from the employing authority to provide a suitable clinical practice supervisor to support the student undertaking the module.

3. A commitment from the employing authority to ensure policies, procedures and guidelines which underpin practice in the student's clinical environment are in place.
4. A commitment from the employing authority to engage in the clinical supervision process enabling student supervision, assessment and feedback opportunities are provided as required.
5. A commitment from the employing authority to furnish the HEI with all clinical supervision/ assessment material relevant to the student.

I accept these outlined requirements and will support the above student in meeting them whilst undertaking the Stand-alone module NS5077 Chronic Skin Conditions:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (print) Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date:    /    /

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to above student: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

## Module Summary



**MODULE TITLE: Chronic Skin Conditions**

**MODULE CODE: NS5077**

### Module summary

This is a level 9 (Masters Level) 10 ECTS credit, stand-alone module. Delivered using a blended learning approach, theoretical and clinical skills content facilitated by expert clinicians are further supported through clinical supervision in the learner's work environment. Competency based assessments underpin the development of skills proficiency.

Attendance is required for 4 individual days spread over a 12 week semester on the following dates: **Monday/Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> October and 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> November**. 100% attendance will be required on DCU contact days. In addition, engagement with online learning activities will be required throughout the course of the module. Candidates will need good internet connection.

### Who should attend

Healthcare Practitioners with a Special Interest in Dermatology who want to consolidate their professional competencies, diagnostic skills and examine the best available evidence to support treatment of commonly occurring chronic dermatological conditions such as acne, eczema and psoriasis, hair and nail disorders. The module focuses on managing the delivery of appropriate dermatology care in the primary and secondary care setting and promoting health and self-help for patients with skin conditions. Candidates will be required to furnish a completed '*Engagement Agreement for Clinical Supervision Process*' from their employing authority/line manager or Intern coordinator (where relevant) prior to module commencement. This form accompanies the module application form.

### Topics to include

- Epidemiology, prevalence and risk factors of chronic skin conditions
- Aetiology, histopathology of common skin conditions;
- Holistic patient assessment/examination incorporating subjective and objective data, recognised tools and grading systems/protocols;
- Therapeutic management of commonly presenting skin conditions;
- Treatment regimes and therapies including topical immune-suppressants, light therapy and oral antibiotics;
- Psychological support for people with chronic skin conditions;

- Evidence-informed care, clinical guidelines/protocols, research and audit;
- Contemporary medico-legal issues / clinical Governance;
- Service provision - developing/managing dermatological services.

### **Benefits to practitioners**

This module aims to equip candidates with the requisite knowledge, skills, attributes and capabilities to meet the needs of clients who have chronic skin conditions. It supports existing and expanding professional roles in practice providing an opportunity for accredited learning to assist in formal career advancement structures and requirements (where applicable). This may include expansion of existing practice. Successful candidates may seek to have this learning recognised under 'Recognition of Prior Learning' structures within the higher education sector in an effort to continue further study at Level 9 (if desired) potentially contributing to a major academic award at Masters Level.

### **Module assessment**

The module is assessed by completion of a portfolio of evidence comprising: Competency assessment of skills, Evidence-based case study, an MCQ and Reflective practice. There is no written examination.

### **Cost of module**

The cost is €850.

### **Deadline for applications**

Completed applications including your CV, signed 'Engagement Agreement for Clinical Supervision Process' from their employing authority/line manager/ Intern coordinator, one passport size photo and a copy of your certificate of professional registration should be submitted to the Faculty of Science & Health by **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018**.

### **For an application form please contact:**

The Faculty of Science and Health, Dublin City University, Dublin 9,  
**Phone:** 01 700 8975, **Email:** [science@dcu.ie](mailto:science@dcu.ie)

For further information on the module please contact:

**Dr Therese Leufer** via email: [therese.leufer@dcu.ie](mailto:therese.leufer@dcu.ie) or

**Ms Fidelma O'Dowd (RANP-Dermatology)**, email: [fidelmaodowd@beaumont.ie](mailto:fidelmaodowd@beaumont.ie)

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