



HIV SWISHH

Aims and objectives

Overall Aim

To update knowledge of HIV prevention, HIV recognition & diagnosis and HIV treatment and care.

Target audience

Multidisciplinary health care professionals dealing with adults with undiagnosed or diagnosed HIV in non-specialist settings.

Learning outcomes

1. Within the parameters of their role in the team, practitioners will be able to demonstrate knowledge of and ability to provide information, care and support to patients at risk of HIV and those who are diagnosed HIV positive.
2. To demonstrate knowledge of current epidemiology issues and approaches to primary prevention of HIV infection.
3. To demonstrate knowledge of the issues faced by people living with HIV.
4. Awareness of local HIV services and referral procedures.
5. To demonstrate a knowledge of the benefits of and procedures for early testing and repeat testing of adults at risk of undiagnosed HIV infection.
6. To demonstrate knowledge of the range of HIV indicator illnesses.
7. To display high level skills in promoting the uptake of HIV testing for all adults presenting with HIV clinical indicator diseases.
8. To display competence in contributing to the HIV testing process in accordance with their own remit within their team.
9. To identify how their own area of clinical practice contributes to wider HIV services.
10. To gain knowledge and understanding of the link between co-morbidities, quality of life and long term survival from HIV infection.
11. To demonstrate a critical understanding of the factors influencing the prescription of antiretroviral therapy.

Policy context

Scottish Government HIV Action Plan Dec 2009-March 2014.
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Publications/2009/11/24105426/13>

NHS Healthcare Improvement Scotland Standards for HIV services July 2011.
<http://www.healthcareimprovementscotland.org/default.aspx?page=11954>

NHS Education for Scotland: An exploration of the education and training needs of the HIV related workforce 2011.
(In draft form August 2011)

E-learning support

Visit e-learning for Healthcare (e-LfH Learning Portal): <http://portal.e-lfh.org.uk/>

Register for e-HIV-STI (sexual health & HIV).