

## **NESC:GPN FOUNDATION PILOT**

### **TWO GPN TRAINING PLACES AVAILABLE**

As you are aware the GPN Foundation Pilot programme commenced on 1<sup>st</sup> September. The aim was to have 12 nurses, who had not previously worked in general practice, to undertake a 12 month programme which would ensure they had the required competencies for General Practice nursing.

The University of Plymouth is providing the taught element of the programme, which will commence on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2008 and this will be delivered from the Littlemore Learning and Development Centre in Oxford.

I am pleased to announce that there are **two additional places available** on the programme and these will be offered to training practices that fulfil the following criteria:

- Have employed a practice nurse for no longer than 2 months (i.e. since July 2008)
- The nurse has not previously worked in General Practice
- Can provide support to the learner in line with the programme requirements
- Have an appropriate and named Clinical Practice Educator and Clinical Practice Supervisor (see attached roles) from the practice
- Will identify protected time and tutorial time for the learner
- Will support the Clinical Practice Supervisor to attend 6 meetings of a Learning Set during the programme (2 x 2 hour meetings per term)
- Travel to the programme will be supported by the practice
- Engage in the evaluation process

**There will be no cost for the programme.**

The programme for the year is attached. Please note it also includes cytology training.

If you fulfil the criteria and would like to take up this opportunity please can you complete the form below and send to:

Sandy Tinson

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by: **19<sup>th</sup> September 2008**

**APPLICATION FOR GPN FOUNDATION PILOT PROGRAMME**

<b>Name of Practice</b>	
<b>Contact details</b>	
<b>Name of GPN</b>	
<b>Previous nursing experience</b>	
<b>Date of employment</b>	
<b>Who will be able to provide educational supervision? (i.e. Clinical Practice Educator)</b>	
<b>Identify appropriate qualifications/experience</b>	
<b>Please give the name, qualifications and current responsibilities of the experienced General Practice nurse who will provide Clinical Supervision. (i.e. Clinical Practice Supervisor)</b>	

<b>Do you agree to the following?</b>	
To provide support to the learner in line with the programme requirements	
To enable to learner to attend all taught elements of the programme	
To identify protected time and tutorial time for the learner	
The Clinical Practice Supervisor will attend 6 meetings of a Learning Set during the programme (2 x 2 hour meetings per term)	
To support travel costs of the learner to the taught elements of the programme	
To actively engage in the evaluation process	
<b>Will the nurse be able to start the programme on 26<sup>th</sup> September? If not please give earliest date to commence the programme.</b>	

**Signed:**

**Date:**

**Please return to:** [sandy.tinson@nesc.nhs.uk](mailto:sandy.tinson@nesc.nhs.uk) and [beryl.hodgson@nesc.nhs.uk](mailto:beryl.hodgson@nesc.nhs.uk)

Before 19<sup>th</sup> September 2008