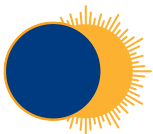


Education and Training 2017



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“Thoroughly enjoyed the course,
sparked so many thoughts and
questions for my treatment and
management of patients.”

SMART Assessor Training delegate, April 2016

“Brilliant day – multi-disciplinary
team focused, very well presented.
Thought-provoking.”

Management of PDOC Patients delegate, March 2016

“Very well organised, lovely setting and very
skilled occupational therapists. Everyone
was very friendly and informative.”

Thermoplastic Splinting delegate, May 2016



Welcome to our 2017 training and education programme. This year I am excited to announce we will be holding two conferences. On 24 March we will present *End of Life in Disorders of Consciousness*, which we hope will create a forum where differing views on this difficult subject can be expressed and discussed. This will be followed on 6 October by *Craniectomies in Severe Brain Injury* which will explore the medical, nursing and therapeutic challenges faced by multi-disciplinary teams involved in the care of patients with craniectomies.

In addition to these events we continue to offer our full programme of open lectures and training courses, covering a wide range of topics to appeal to a wide range of audiences, from the general public to international experts in the field and from students to senior healthcare professionals.

The diverse nature of the training and education programme at the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability reflects the range and scope of the knowledge and expertise held here. We are keen to share our knowledge and work with people who want to develop their skills.

I hope you will see there is something for everyone and we look forward to welcoming you to events in 2017 in our recently refurbished conference and training facilities.

Paul Allen, Chief Executive

About the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

Based in Putney, south west London, the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability has been providing specialist care and support for people with complex or profound disabilities due to neurological injury or disease for over 160 years.

We provide a range of services for people living with complex disabilities including short-stay neuro-rehabilitation, long-stay care and specialist nursing home services. We help those affected by disorders of consciousness, acquired or traumatic brain injury and progressive neurological conditions.

Our education and training programme serves as a way for us to share the knowledge and expertise, which we have developed over the years, in this highly specialised field.

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May	5	Managing Behaviours that Challenge in Brain Injured Individuals: the Positive Behaviour Support Approach
	11	Open Lecture - You're Once, Twice, Three Times...Stepping.
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	19-20	Managing Complex Tone: Spasticity and Casting
October	6	Craniectomies in Severe Brain Injury
	19	An Introduction to Music Therapy Techniques in Neuro-disability
November	6-10	SMART Assessor Training
	16	Open Lecture – Brain Injury at the RHN
	23	Swallowing and Nutrition: Navigating Risk, Complexity and Ethical Dilemmas
December	5	Managing Behaviours that Challenge in Brain Injured Individuals: the Positive Behaviour Support Approach

End of Life in Disorders of Consciousness

Friday 24 March

£200 lawyers, £150 all other attendees

Venue: Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

The end of life in disorders of consciousness (DOC) is a fascinating condition but it is also one of great anguish for families, carers and health professionals.

Discussions and debates continue to prove inconclusive and are likely to remain so till the end of time, oscillating between what is right and morally permissible and what is lawfully possible and necessary. However in the meantime the current clinical and legal process does not serve these patients well.

The RCP guidelines from 2013 have sought to address this and go a fair way in navigating a complex situation. We hope to create a forum at this one day conference where different and differing views can be expressed. Discerning minds will then take away what each needs to help their professional roles.

We are very pleased to announce Professor Derick Wade, Professor of Neurological Disability as our keynote speaker for this event.

We welcome as delegates medical and allied health professions, lawyers, commissioners and anyone else involved in end of life discussions for patients with a DOC.

Lead facilitator

Dr Andrew Hanrahan, Consultant in Rehabilitation Medicine
Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

Craniectomies in Severe Brain Injury

Friday 6 October

£120

Venue: Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

This one day conference is aimed for the multidisciplinary audience involved in the management and care of patients with craniectomies.

The conference will explore the medical, nursing and therapeutic challenges faced by the multidisciplinary team and will look at all aspects of management from spasticity to equipment.

This event will be an opportunity to meet other clinicians caring for patients in this group, share good practice, care pathways and explore possibilities for further research and education.

Topics covered will include

- neurosurgery
- biomechanics and spasticity management
- medical management
- nursing including tissue viability
- multidisciplinary team involvement including postural management in bed and wheelchair, speech and language, occupational therapy and orthotics and assistive technology

Lead facilitator

Karen Marshall, Wheelchair & Special Seating Manager
Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

SMART Assessor Training

Monday 23 – Friday 27 January/Monday 6 – Friday 10 November
£785

The SMART (Sensory Modality and Rehabilitation Technique) is a standardised tool specially designed for the assessment of patients with disorders of consciousness, as recommended in the Royal College of Physicians Guidelines 2013.

The full five day course is designed for senior neurological clinicians (AHPs, clinical psychologists, nurses, doctors) as a first step to gaining their accreditation as SMART assessors. This intensive course will enable delegates to develop both the skills and knowledge to be competent in the observation and assessment of patients with disorders of consciousness. The course also aims to develop skills required to conduct SMART assessments, including for treatment planning. The course is taught through tutorials, formative assessment and practical sessions.

Following completion of the course the delegates will be required to complete between one and three SMART assessments (dependent on the accreditation pathway selected) to complete the SMART accreditation process. Reaccreditation is required every four years.

Lead facilitator

Helen Gill, SMART Developer and Consultant

Managing Behaviours that Challenge in Brain Injured Individuals: the Positive Behaviour Approach

**Tuesday 7 February/Thursday 4 May/Thursday 7 September/
Tuesday 5 December**

£95

This one day course is open to anyone working with individuals with a brain injury who want to increase their skills and knowledge of managing behaviours that challenge. It offers a theoretical and practical introduction to the positive behaviour support approach, which has been found to be highly effective and rewarding for clinicians applying the methods in a range of settings.

By the end of the course attendees will

- have an understanding of the possible causes of challenging behaviour after a brain injury
- be able to describe the possible functions of challenging behaviour – why is it happening and what does it tell us?
- have an understanding of the development of both pro-active (preventative) and reactive strategies
- be able to appropriately select and use a range of verbal and non-verbal strategies to prevent or respond to challenging behaviours
- be able to identify methods that can be incorporated into the clients' environment and lead to the reduction in incidences of challenging behaviour
- be proficient in the completion of documentation of challenging behaviour (e.g. ABCs) and understand the purpose of collecting data
- have an understanding of how debriefing and regular staff support mechanisms may help teams working with people with behaviours that challenge.

Lead facilitator

Dr Samuel Batstone, Consultant Clinical Psychologist
Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

An Introduction to Thermoplastic Splinting of the Upper Limb in Neurological Conditions

Monday 15 – Wednesday 17 May

£389

An exciting opportunity to attend an intensive course and learn about the challenges of splinting abnormal tone with complex pathologies, such as acquired brain injury and disorders of consciousness.

This course is designed for clinicians who have some basic experience of working with thermoplastic materials, and wish to gain further handling skills and understanding of splinting the neurologically impaired upper limb. Attendees will develop knowledge of the clinical reasoning behind splinting in neurology through theoretical and practical workshops, with all materials provided throughout the course.

Lead facilitators

Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy Teams
Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

An Interdisciplinary Team Approach to the Management of Patients in Prolonged Disorders of Consciousness

Thursday 8 June

£75

This one-day course will enable clinicians to develop further understanding of prolonged disorders of consciousness (PDOC) and to look at assessment skills, outcomes and management of this complex patient group and the challenges commonly faced.

We welcome all clinicians involved in the care of this specialist population especially those in acute hospitals wanting to improve their knowledge and management of these patients before transfer to specialised rehabilitation units or specialist nursing homes. Presenters will include consultants in rehabilitation medicine, clinical specialist nursing and allied health professionals. The day will also involve interactive workshops and there will be an opportunity to meet members of the interdisciplinary team, to ask questions and share experiences and to understand more about the referral process and pathway at the Royal Hospital for Neuro-Disability.

Lead facilitator

Hannah Bevan, Brain Injury Service Co-ordinator
Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

A Multidisciplinary Approach to the Assessment and Management of Huntington's Disease

Thursday 29 June

£120

Huntington's Disease (HD) is a hugely complex progressive neurological condition. This course will enrich your knowledge of HD, give a thorough overview of multiple aspects of assessment and management, and will provide you with practical ideas to take away.

Led by the specialist multidisciplinary team from the dedicated HD unit at the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability, the course will include

- an introduction to HD and medical management
- working with cognitive impairments
- working with communication impairments
- emotional and behavioural aspects of HD
- mobility and postural management
- nutrition and swallowing including advanced decision planning
- promoting quality of life and independence through participation

This comprehensive and in-depth course is aimed at allied health professionals (including physiotherapists, speech and language therapists, occupational therapists, psychologists, dieticians, music therapists), nurses, health care assistants, and doctors/GPs working in community or in-patient settings.

Lead facilitator

Erin Probert, Specialist Speech and Language Therapist
Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

Managing Complex Tone: Spasticity and Casting

Tuesday 19 – Wednesday 20 September

£330

This three day course, for physiotherapists and occupational therapists, offers a theoretical and practical introduction to casting complex neurological patients. It is primarily focused on the use of soft and Scotchcast materials and will provide an overview of casting techniques and clinical reasoning in splinting.

There will be a large practical element, with all the materials provided, to enable learning which can be directly applied to practice. The course will cover elbow, wrist and hand, knee and ankle splints

Lead facilitators

Physiotherapists

Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

An Introduction to Music Therapy Techniques in Neuro-disability

Thursday 19 October

£95, £60 for students (limited availability)

This is a continuing professional development event primarily for music therapists and music therapy students. The one-day course, which has a practical emphasis, consists of workshops on specific music therapy techniques used in neuro-disability, including neurologic music therapy techniques.

There will be space for hands-on trialling of the techniques as well as time for discussion.

Lead facilitators

Music Therapists

Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

Swallowing and Nutrition: Navigating Risk, Complexity and Ethical Dilemmas

Thursday 23 November

£120

This comprehensive and practical one day course focuses on a range of complex ethical and risk management issues when working with people with swallowing impairments and/or difficulties achieving adequate nutrition and hydration. With a strong focus on multidisciplinary team (MDT) management, this course is suitable for all members of the MDT, especially speech and language therapists, dietitians, psychologists, doctors, occupational therapists and nurses.

The course will cover the following key areas

- assessing capacity and best interest decisions
- advanced decision making
- what you need to know about the law and legislation relevant to this clinical field
- managing conflict and disagreements
- risk feeding vs enteral tube feeding
- ethical considerations in complex cases

Speakers will be experienced clinicians from the MDT at the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability. Case studies will be used for illustration.

Lead facilitators

Speech and Language Therapists
Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

Future Feeding Planning Pathway and Paperwork Launch

Thursday 19 January 4-6pm

Free

Book online at <https://futurefeeding.eventbrite.co.uk>

Come to the launch of a new and comprehensive pathway that guides the process of making decisions about future feeding options with patients, for example those who have progressive neurological diseases. Assessing capacity and making decisions around gastrostomy feeding versus risk feeding is often challenging. Several years in development at the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability, this pathway guides the process from start to finish and provides supporting information around the legal frameworks professionals need to work within. The pathway includes guidance both for situations where the patient has capacity to make the choice for themselves and where a best interest decision is required. Alongside the pathway is a pack of documentation to provide an easy to use and accessible way to record the entire process and the final decision, in addition to useful supplementary materials.

Both the pathway and the documentation will be freely shared at the launch event and will include both paper and electronic versions. The launch will involve a talk about the legal frameworks relevant to this process, why and how the pathway was developed, and lots of practical advice on assessing capacity, decision making and using the documentation. There will be time for questions and networking. The launch will be led by members of the multidisciplinary team who developed the resources. It is likely to be of particular interest to speech and language therapists, dietitians, psychologists, doctors and anyone else involved in this process.

Lead facilitator

Erin Probert, Specialist Speech and Language Therapist
Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

28 February	Complex Tracheostomy Weaning Presenters: Interdisciplinary Team, Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability
30 March	Cognitive Stimulation Group An Exploration of a Successful Intervention with People with Huntington's Disease Interdisciplinary Team, Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability
11 May	<i>You're Once, Twice, Three Times....Stepping</i> - Music Therapy and Physiotherapy Working in Tandem for Gait Rehabilitation Helen Lane, Music Therapist and Taryn Holman, Physiotherapist, Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability
4 July	Challenges and opportunities in Neuro-disability: Nurses' Stories Nursing Team, Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability
14 September	Music Therapy and Neuroscience: Opportunities and Challenges: Featuring New Insights from Research Addressing the Needs of Those with Complex Neuro-disabilities at the RHN Julian O'Kelly, Senior Researcher, East London NHS Foundation Trust/Queen Mary University of London
16 November	A Showcase of Interdisciplinary Practice in Brain Injury at the RHN Interdisciplinary Team, Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability

Lectures are held from 4.30-5.30pm

Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability, London, SW15 3SW

The lectures are free and open to everyone but please contact us if you plan to attend as places are limited.

For further information please contact

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Or book directly through EventBrite – bit.ly/rhnevents

Training Brought to You

Although the majority of the training we offer is held at the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability, it is possible for some specialist training courses to be organised at alternative venues.

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Assistive and Rehabilitation Technology and Specialist AAC Hub

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- assessment, recommendation, customisation and supply of the full range of electronic assistive technology (EAT).

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- assessment and provision of augmentative and alternative communication (AAC)
- a service for adults (18 years plus) with difficulty communicating using speech, who may also have physical difficulties which impact further on their ability to communicate.

Our team includes occupational therapists, assistive technologists, speech and language therapists and technicians.

For more information or to refer, please visit www.rhn.org.uk/compass or email the team compass@rhn.org.uk

Recruitment

The Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability has a diverse workforce with opportunities for clinical and non-clinical staff, as well as volunteers. We are an equal opportunities employer – our policy is to ensure that no applicant or employee receives less favourable treatment because of race, nationality, gender, sexuality, marital status, religion, disability or age.

If you are interested in working with us please visit www.rhn.org.uk/join/

How to Refer a Patient

The Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability works with people who are referred from the NHS as well as those who are privately insured. We accept patients from the UK and around the world.

For more information and details about how to refer a patient, please contact admissions.office@rhn.org.uk

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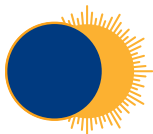
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