



SCHOOL OF HEALTH SCIENCES

ORTH403: Ophthalmic Care of Patients with Special Educational Needs (SEN) due to neurological impairment

Level 7: 20 credits

This module is aimed at practicing ophthalmic health professionals who are undertaking or developing into an advanced clinical practice role in the ophthalmic care of patients with Special Education Needs (SEN). While they do not need to be working within an advanced practice role, they do need to be working with patients with SEN to be able to fulfil the requirements of the assessments. The specific focus will be on application of theory to clinical assessment and management of patients with SEN under ophthalmic care.

This module is designed to be taken as a standalone CPD module, in conjunction with other relevant modules or as part of the MSc Advanced Clinical Practice programme. There are three online contact teaching days over the semester duration of the module, plus one day online assessment. All module content will be delivered online via e-lectures, webinars and reading material. Self-directed learning will be guided by the lecturers, with online support provided through the use of discussion boards, with input from the academic staff and fellow students.

Module Aims

This module aims to develop a critical understanding of current and emerging strategies in the diagnosis, management and holistic care of the ophthalmic care of patients with special educational needs and to develop the advanced skills required to practice as an Advanced Clinical Practitioner in the care of these patients.

Syllabus

- Evidence based knowledge of the causes of brain disorders, their treatment and the implications for visual development and function.
- Application and reflection of the clinical investigation of patients with SEN
- Management of ocular and visual consequences in SEN patients

Module assessment: Assignment (3000 words) and presentation with patient hand-out.

Dates of Attendance: **Commences on: January 2025**
Online Contact dates: to be confirmed

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COST OF THE MODULE AND FUNDING INFORMATION

Details of fees and funding are available through seoshspg@liverpool.ac.uk

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