

The journey of an Assistant Practitioner in High Secure Services

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Objective

To outline how the journey began.

How my role developed

The fight for recognition

Where I am now

How my role is utilised by the service

To discuss in groups how an assistant practitioner would / is utilised in your areas



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ME !!!!!

The journey Began

2005 – Edge hill University made contact with Mersey Care NHS

New course / Foundation degree

New modules , ??? What level to pitch at

Unsure of outcomes

Unsure of where the new Band 4 position will fit into the service

2007 – Graduated

Student Life

- Full time course for two years
- Two full days of study in university
- Three full days of work placement
- Modules inc : Biology, Maths, Law and Ethics, Health Promotion and Public Health, Physical Health care and Basic General Nursing skills.
- Assessment inc : Assignments, Presentations, Exams and Practical assessment

The fight for role recognition



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Who were we ???

Back to Band 3 , Nursing assistant.

How we helped and supported each other

Trying to find a place to fit in the service

Secondment

My Role now !!!!



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Clinic

Bloods and ECG

Therapeutic Monitoring

Infection control

Stock control

Training

Health Promotion

Health and Wellbeing



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Health promotion link nurses

Well man's returns

Monthly Health promotion topic

Public Health initiatives

Well mans/woman's checks

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Routine Monthly Health Checks – Form A1

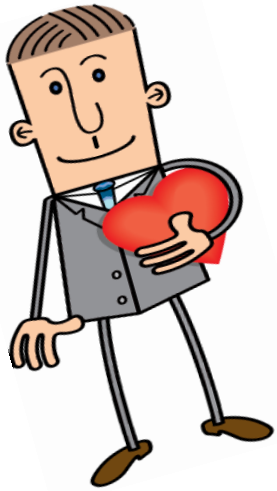
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Patient Name	Date & Time	Pulse	Respirations	Temperature	Blood pressure	Saturation (%)	AVPU	Total MEWS	Did escalation occur?	MUST Score / Care Plan	Weight Kgs	BMI	Waist circumference	Attended Dr Follow Session

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AUTONOMY

Managing my own work load

Managing my time

Supervision

Support

Utilising the Assistant Practitioner role within the service

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