

# Brain Injury

## Module Overview

This module describes the neuropsychiatric aspects of brain injury. It includes lectures on the different causes of brain injury and their neurobehavioural consequences. It will address specifically the recognition and management of psychiatric syndromes (eg depression, abulia, irritability, psychosis, personality change) in the context of brain injury. There will also be sessions on interdisciplinary working, the management of brain-injured people and on the ethical and legal challenges. You will also be looking at service development in brain injury.

## Learning Outcomes

By the end of the module you should be able to:

- Describe the basic physiology and epidemiology of brain injury;
- Describe and understand the mental health consequences of brain injury and their investigation and management;
- Legal and ethical issues in providing care for people with brain injury.

## Credits

20 credits

## Module Attendance Required

10 sessions of 2.5 to 3 hours (with a break)

## Module Dates

### 2013/14 dates:

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS 13:30 to 16:30  
13th, 20th, 27th March,  
3rd, 10th April,  
1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th May 2014

### 2014/15 dates:

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS 13:30 to 16:30  
12th, 19th, 26th March,  
16th, 23rd, 30th April,  
7th, 14th, 21st, 28th May 2015

## Assessment

One 3000 word essay

## Academics involved in the delivery of this module

- Dr Hugh Rickards Consultant in Neuropsychiatry and Programme Lead
- Most lectures are from visiting consultants, professionals and researchers in the field.

## Stand Alone Course

This module can also be taken as a stand-alone course if required. To apply, please contact Angela Oakley, Postgraduate Administrator, 0121 415 8118, [clinicalneuro@contacts.bham.ac.uk](mailto:clinicalneuro@contacts.bham.ac.uk) (<mailto:clinicalneuro@contacts.bham.ac.uk>) or Dr Andrea Cavanna - Consultant in Behavioural Neurology and Deputy Programme Lead - [Andrea.Cavanna@bsmhft.nhs.uk](mailto:Andrea.Cavanna@bsmhft.nhs.uk) (<mailto:Andrea.Cavanna@bsmhft.nhs.uk>)

## Fee if taken as a stand alone course

For information on fees please contact the Programme Administrator. Please note - no masters level credits are available for this module unless taken as part of the complete MSc Clinical Neuropsychiatry programme. If taken as an individual module you will receive a certificate of attendance for CPD purposes.

## Entry requirements if taken as a stand alone course

For information on requirements please contact the Programme Administrator.

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## Course fact file

**Type of Course:** Continuing professional development, module