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Huntingtons Disease

The aim of this module is to equip you with a comprehensive understanding of Huntington's Disease and enable them to provide high quality holistic care for people with this disorder. You will be taught about the basic science of Huntington's Disease, especially genetics and all aspects of management. Particular attention will be paid to the understanding and management of psychiatric syndromes in the context of Huntington's Disease, the role of the multi disciplinary team and the legal and ethical issues in Huntington's Disease care.

Learning Outcomes

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

- Describe the diagnostic signs, clinical course and symptoms of HD
- Describe the epidemiology of HD;
- Describe the genetic mechanisms involved in HD and their impact on the brain; Identify the pattern of communication in HD, mobility, daily activities, nutrition and other care needs;
- Describe the ethical and legal issues in providing care for people with HD, and existing and preferred services.

Credits

10 credits

Module Attendance Required

3 day - block teaching

Module Dates

2013/14 dates:
3 DAYS (Mon-Weds)
3rd , 4th & 5th February 2014

2014/15 dates:
3 DAYS (Mon-Weds)
2nd, 3rd & 4th February 2015

Assessment

A thorough case history

Academics involved in the delivery of this module

- Dr Hugh Rickards, Consultant in Neuropsychiatry and Programme Director
- 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)** or Dr Andrea Cavanna - Consultant in Behavioural Neurology and Deputy Programme Lead - **Andrea.Cavanna@bsmhft.nhs.uk (mailto:andrea.cavanna@bsmhft.nhs.uk)**

Fee if taken as a stand alone course

For further 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.

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Course fact file

Type of Course: Continuing professional development, module

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