# ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Facilitator's Guide



### **Roles and Responsibilities Module**

This training session is one of the PLPLG SSSA development modules for Practice Supervisors and Practice Assessors which are intended for use as short training workshops or as part of a team meeting. Altogether, with activities, it will take around an hour for inexperienced staff and 45 minutes for those who are currently mentors..

This facilitator guide provides a lesson plan with approximate timings, content and activity which accompany the PowerPoint presentation. Each slide has additional notes to assist the trainer, where required. These are provided in this guide. Also attached is the activity worksheet which can be copied and distributed to delegates. A copy of the answers is also incuded..

Timings	Slide	Activity or Topic	Trainer Notes	
2 mins	2	Aims and Learning Outcomes	Introduce the workshop Go through objectives Go through topics	
5 mins	3 & 4	NMC – Changes and Standards	Go through the changes to the NMC and talk through the impact of this. Outline the standards and how this can be approached and completed.	
5 mins	5 & 6	Practice Learning	Explain and discuss Practice Learning and the opportunities a student has through their development. Consider the different 'supervisors' and how these impact and contribute to development	
10 mins	7	Activity - Discussion	Ask the participants to split into small groups or pairs and discuss the relevant changes and impact for the student and their/your workplace.	
15 mins	8, 9 & 10	Model of Support and roles	Consider how the Student will seek advice and feedback from their Assessors and Supervisors and how the chain works in terms of their roles and responsibilities to the student.	
5 mins	11	Activity	In pairs (or individuals) ask delegates to allocate responsibilities to roles using the worksheet provided. This is attached to the trainer guide	
5 mins	12	Overview	Look at the different responsibilities of the two Practice roles and how they differ as well as their responsibilities to the student.	
5 mins	13	Academic Assessor	Focus on the Academic Assessor	

			role and how they will work with the Student in terms of their responsibilities.
5 mins	14	Assessment	Using the brief scenarios, consider who would be most appropriate for each activity
3 mins		Review, questions and close	

## **Notes for slides:**

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3	Give an overview of the NMC changes:
	- When do the changes take effect?
	- How will this effect?
	o The Student
	<ul><li>The Stadent</li><li>The Assessor</li></ul>
	- Other changes (PAD)
4	Look at the Standards and how they will:
	- Impact the workplace
	- How the Assessor is expected to support
	- The role of the Assessor
	- Student needs
5	Introduce the effect of practice learning and:
	- How it is applied?
	- The outlines of the learning required
	- Students role
6	Explain how that all healthcare professionals will affect and contribute to the learning of the student, and how they can further their support. This is one of the important changes for student supervision. Where previously students were supported by a named mentor and comentors (in some settings), they will now be supported by a range of professionals. This may include:  • Healthcare assistants, support workers and nursing associates • Allied health professionals – physiotherapists, occupational therapists, speech and language therapists, radiotherapists and other AHPs • Psychologists in mental health settings A practice supervisor can be <b>any</b> registered healthcare professional. Newly registered nurses may also be practice supervisors for students
8	Look at the different roles within this learning and support model:  - What are the different roles?  - Outline the different roles and touch on responsibilities.  - How do the roles interact which other and the student?
9	In detail examine the role of the Practice Supervisor, look at: - What the roles entails? - Key responsibilities

- How they will support the student/s?
- How they interact with the other Assessors/Supervisors? Consider the NMC guidance:

The responsibilities of the Practice Supervisor, according to the NMC Guidelines for Standards of Student Supervision and Assessment

- 3.1 serve as role models for safe and effective practice in line with their code of conduct
- 3.2 support learning in line with their scope of practice to enable the student to meet their proficiencies and programme outcomes
- 3.3 support and supervise students, providing feedback on their progress towards, and achievement of, proficiencies and skills
- 3.4 have current knowledge and experience of the area in which they are providing support, supervision and feedback, and
- 3.5 receive ongoing support to participate in the practice learning of students. www.nmc.org.uk Standards for student supervision and assessment
- 4. Practice supervisors: contribution to assessment and progression Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must ensure that practice supervisors:
- 4.1 contribute to the student's record of achievement by periodically recording relevant observations on the conduct, proficiency and achievement of the students they are supervising
- 4.2 contribute to student assessments to inform decisions for progression
- 4.3 have sufficient opportunities to engage with practice assessors and academic assessors to share relevant observations on the conduct, proficiency and achievement of the students they are supervising, and 4.4 are expected to appropriately raise and respond to student conduct and competence concerns and are supported in practice

10 In detail examine the role of the Practice Assessor, look at:

- What the roles entails?
- Key responsibilities
- How they will support the student/s?
- How they interact with the other Assessors/Supervisors?

#### Consider the NMC guidance:

The role of the Practice Assessor, according to the NMC Standards for Student Supervision and Assessment include:

- 7.1 practice assessors conduct assessments to confirm student achievement of proficiencies and programme outcomes for practice learning
- 7.2 assessment decisions by practice assessors are informed by feedback sought and received from practice supervisors
- 7.3 practice assessors make and record objective, evidenced-based assessments on conduct, proficiency and achievement, drawing on student records, direct observations, student self-reflection, and other resources
- 7.4 practice assessors maintain current knowledge and expertise relevant for the proficiencies and programme outcomes they are

	assessing
	7.5 a nominated practice assessor works in partnership with the
	nominated academic assessor to evaluate and recommend the student
	for progression for each part of the programme, in line with programme
	standards and local and national policies
	7.6 there are sufficient opportunities for the practice assessor to
	periodically observe the student across environments in order to inform
	decisions for assessment and progression
	7.7 there are sufficient opportunities for the practice assessor to gather
	and coordinate feedback from practice supervisors, any other practice
	assessors, and relevant people, in order to be assured about their
	decisions for assessment and progression
	7.8 practice assessors have an understanding of the student's learning
	and achievement in theory
	7.9 communication and collaboration between practice and academic
	assessors is scheduled for relevant points in programme structure and
	student progression
	7.10 practice assessors are not simultaneously the practice supervisor
	and academic assessor for the same student, and
	7.11 practice assessors for students on NMC approved prescribing
	programmes support learning in line with the NMC Standards for
	prescribing programmes
12	Go through the different roles and responsibilities at various points of
	placement. The slide shows different colours for different features of
	documentation and assessment.
	Emphasise that there are modules, ie assessing learning needs and
	assessing learning in practice that will provide additional learning and
	guidance for both practice supervisors and practice assessors in
	supporting students
13	In detail examine the role of the Practice Supervisor, look at:
	- What the roles entails?
	- Key responsibilities
	- How they will support the student/s?
	- How they interact with the other Assessors/Supervisors?
	Refer to the NMC guidance:
	According to the NMC Guidelines and student Standards for
	Supervision and Assessment, the Academic Assessor is responsible
	for:
	9.1 academic assessors collate and confirm student achievement of
	proficiencies and programme outcomes in the academic environment
	for each part of the programme
	9.2 academic assessors make and record objective, evidence-based
	decisions on conduct, proficiency and achievement, and
	recommendations for progression, drawing on student records and
	other resources
	9.3 academic assessors maintain current knowledge and expertise
	relevant for the proficiencies and programme outcomes they are
	assessing and confirming 9.4 the nominated academic assessor works
	in partnership with a nominated practice assessor to evaluate and
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	recommend the student for progression for each part of the

programme, in line with programme standards and local and national policies

- 9.5 academic assessors have an understanding of the student's learning and achievement in practice
- 9.6 communication and collaboration between academic and practice assessors is scheduled for relevant points in programme structure and student progression
- 9.7 academic assessors are not simultaneously the practice supervisor and practice assessor for the same student.

## Roles and Responsibilities - Activity

For each of the following responsibilities tick the appropriate box/es for who you think it should be

Responsibility	Practice Supervisor	Practice Assessor	Academic Assessor
Gather and coordinate feedback on student performance			
Provides feedback on progress			
Shares relevant observations with practice assessor and academic assessor			
Work in partnership with nominated academic assessor			
Support learning in line with NMC standards			
Initial interview per placement			
Have an understanding of the student's learning and achievement in practice			
Collaborate with practice assessors at relevant points in programme structure			
Supervision of student's medicines management			
Maintain current knowledge and expertise			
Confirm student achievement of proficiencies and programme outcomes in the academic environment			
Supervision of student's episode(s) of care			
Completes OAR at end of each placement & at programme progression			
Signs off Service User Feedback			

## **Answers to Activity**

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