



**Developing London's Future Nurses Together**

**PL e-PAD Project**

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**Project to Implement a Pan London e-PAD**

Following the successful introduction of the pan London Practice Assessment Document (PAD), the Pan London Practice Learning Group (PLPLG) is moving forward with a project to move this from paper to an online solution. We are not changing our previously validated PAD; we are simply moving the assessment forms and process to a fully online solution that will have many benefits for students, practice staff and universities. It can be used via an app available for smart phones and tablets, as well as online from any laptop or PC with internet access. The app has offline capability so it can be used even if you are in an area with no wifi or data connectivity. In early 2020, after a formal procurement exercise, we were delighted to announce [MyKnowledgeMap.com](http://MyKnowledgeMap.com) as our framework supplier. MyKnowledgeMap have extensive experience with this technology in our sector. Their press release can be read [here](#).

**2020 Implementation**

The PLPLG is delighted that there are 5 universities who are already working together with MyKnowledgeMap on the development of the pan London e-PAD in time to start implementing it in the 2020/21 academic year. These 5 are:

- City, University of London
- King's College London
- Middlesex University
- University of Greenwich
- University of Roehampton

**Pan London e-PAD High Level Plan for 2020**

	Jan 2020	Feb – Jun	Jul – Aug	Sept onwards
Project Set-up; AEI Business Cases; Planning				
Software Development, Configuration and Testing				
AEI / Practice Partner Integration, Set-up & Training				
AEI / Practice Partner Go-lives				

Most of our other members have indicated that they will start implementation in 2021/22. All are adopting a gradual approach to implementation, with small student cohorts receiving the PL e-PAD in the first instance. This gives practice staff and academics the chance to get used to the system gradually.

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### Pan London Practice Learning Group (PLPLG)

Founded over 15 years ago, the PLPLG represents 14 AEIs in and around London. The group meets throughout the year to develop, support, monitor and evaluate a London-wide approach to practice learning.

#### The PLPLG website

Visit our [website](#) for sample copies of the PLPAD and e-learning resources.

The website also has guidance regarding practice support for nursing students deployed during the Covid-19 crisis. Go to [www.plplg.uk](http://www.plplg.uk)

### Upcoming Dates

Student PL e-PAD Design Workshop - Online  
Wednesday 20 May at 13:00

Practice / Academic PL e-PAD Design Workshop - Online  
Wednesday 3 June at 13:00

Contact us if you'd like further details about the above workshops

Keep up to date by following us on Twitter [@panlondonpad](#)

## Stakeholder Involvement and Covid-19

We understand how important it is to involve our practice partners in the design of any system to be used in a clinical setting. We are fortunate to have 2 representatives from practice organisations on our project board, helping to steer the direction of the project. Our first PL e-PAD design workshop in February was attended by some 30 representatives from 18 practice organisations located in and around London. We received excellent input and it has really helped to shape the design. Our second workshop with practice was scheduled for April. The project board decided that given the pressure on practice from Covid-19 it would not be appropriate to issue a broad invitation. Instead, the workshop went ahead with support from AEI colleagues who have recently left practice. However, we are keen to show more practice staff the maturing PL e-PAD and will be in touch as soon as that seems appropriate.



*The first pan London e-PAD design workshop with practice*

*26 February 2020*

We also held a successful online workshop in March with students from our 5 universities. The students were able to download the prototype app onto their phones and work through an exercise to test how easy it was to use. We received very useful feedback and changes have been made as a result.

### Stakeholder Training

The PL e-PAD is being designed to be easy and intuitive to use. Our AEI leads will be working closely with their practice partners to ensure that all staff needing to work with the PL e-PAD will be able to access training. This will be provided in multiple formats, including an app, online learning and videos. Our students will learn how to use the PL e-PAD before their first placement. There will also be a support structure in place for those occasions when you do get stuck. We will provide more information about training opportunities in a future newsletter.

When you are again in a position to plan staff events that would provide a suitable occasion for an overview and demo of the PL e-PAD please let us know. Or if you'd like any further information about the project please contact Sarah Castleton, our project manager, [sarah.castleton@kcl.ac.uk](mailto:sarah.castleton@kcl.ac.uk)



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