

MACMILLAN EXPLORE

DEVELOPING YOUR FUTURE IN CANCER CARE



Macmillan Cancer Support is responding to workforce shortages in cancer care by offering a role development programme to support staff with an interest in specialist cancer practice. The Macmillan Explore programme gives you the opportunity to enhance your knowledge of the cancer journey and provide you with a strong foundation in cancer care to benefit your practice and the wellbeing of your patients.

What?

Macmillan Explore is a blended learning programme consisting of e-learning modules hosted on Macmillan's LearnZone site, supported with telephone mentoring, opportunities to network with peers and a celebration event on successful completion. In addition, delegates receive a welcome pack, downloadable workbook and a certificate of achievement on completion. Macmillan Explore is accredited and attracts 26 CPD points.

There are six modules:

- An introduction to Macmillan Explore
- Increase your knowledge about the cancer pathway
- Macmillan services to help you, your patients and their carers
- Managing yourself
- Increase your knowledge about key elements of the specialist role
- Next Steps

Who?

The target audience is Bands 5/6 nurses wanting to develop further or looking for a specialty change and Allied Health Professionals across all disciplines. The programme will also accommodate newly appointed Band 7 nurses. The programme is open to delegates from across the UK.

When?

We have already run a number of programmes, with delegates completing the course within six months (based on working approximately 1.5 hours a week). Additionally we host a face to face celebration event for each cohort, where delegates who have successfully completed the programme will receive a Macmillan certificate of completion, along with additional career coaching and communications training. We will be running the next programme starting on 4th November 2019 with further cohorts planned for January, March and May 2020 so if you or your colleagues are interested, please get in touch.

How can I get involved?

Follow the link [LearnZone.org.uk/explore](https://www.learnzone.org.uk/explore) to find out more and download a registration form. If you have any queries, please contact Angela Cleary at acleary@macmillan.org.uk.

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4 EXPLORE

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Macmillan Cancer Support has developed a programme to support staff new to Band 4 roles in cancer care teams. The 4 Explore programme gives you the opportunity to enhance your knowledge and skills to become a more confident and competent practitioner and to improve the care you can provide to patients.

What?

Macmillan Explore is a free e-learning programme hosted on Macmillan's LearnZone site. Delegates can download a workbook to share their learning and reflections with their manager and can join in conversations on the discussion forum to network and share their learning with other delegates on the programme. A certificate of achievement will be issued on completion of the programme.

There are four core modules:

- Awareness of Cancer and its Impact
- Understand the NHS & Macmillan Services
- Signposting, Recovery Package and Self-Management
- Working in a Complex Environment

There is also a section highlighting further resources of benefit to delegates.

Who?

The target audience is Band 4 professionals new in post looking to develop their understanding of cancer services and how they can best support patients.

When?

4 Explore is an open programme which means delegates can sign up at any time throughout the year. Delegates are encouraged to schedule in regular meetings with their line manager to track their development and share their learning. It is expected that delegates will complete the programme within their first three months in post.

How can I get involved?

Interested staff should go to LearnZone on the Macmillan website and create an account in the first instance. A simple search for the Band 4 programme will direct you to the home page where you will be asked to complete an online registration form in order to receive an enrolment key and access to the programme. If you have any queries, please email ServiceOpsSupport@macmillan.org.uk.

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