

AOHNP Update

November 2015

1. Revalidation for Nurses AOHNP ran pilot from Feb to May and this has resulted in some changes in the final version on what is required.
AOHNP are running road shows around the country on Revalidation. Last week there were three and some are in organisation such as JLP and Police etc.
Cruise ship to Brugge – included some CPD time including revalidation workshops. 22 members attended this and other guests. A tour of the ship's medical facilities included some occupational aspects and the clinicians look after staff as well as guest. They had some issues with engine oil and conjunctivitis.
2. Charitable status
Work in progress including work on Constitution and accounts to enable the application to be made. Expected to be February 2016
3. Web site
Phase 1 of new web site launched and second phase in 2016
4. Will be launching clinical audit on-line training in 2016
5. Just one more is a Membership drive to be launched in 2016.
Currently 420 members and goals are to get to 700 by Nov 2016 and 1000 in 2017.
6. Funding Faculty of Nursing AOHNP funded start up costs
<http://www.fohn.org.uk/>
7. NMC and Public health nurse status/ Faculty of Occupational Health Nursing
Expected in five years that the Specialist Community Public Health Nurse, currently known as part of the Nursing Register will no longer exist.
The National School of OH is for physicians.
8. Council of Health<http://www.councilforworkandhealth.org.uk/>
Issued a draft p document for the next stage of "Planning the Future OH and its workforce"
This includes:
 - some recommendations of training the future OH workforce multidisciplinary training on core subjects such as law
 - bringing OH into mainstream clinical care more than at present e.g. including Return to Work as an element of all care plans if appropriate

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Questions & Answers

What is the FOHN?

The Faculty of Occupational Health Nursing will be a new independent professional membership organisation to represent and support OHN's to practice competently to the highest standards.

Who is it for?

For Occupational Health Nurses in the UK and potentially worldwide. A longer term aim will be to welcome other multidisciplinary OH members.

What will it do?

Practice guidance, standards and research will be the main focus of what we do. A one stop shop to membership services, such as indemnity insurance will be another. However, we will also be guided by feedback from the consultation exercises.

What will it not do?

It will not take the place of any regulatory bodies such as the NMC or become a Union.

How can I get involved?

Right now you can engage with us by providing feedback on our position paper but stay in touch with us next year when we will be seeking your views when we start a formal consultation exercise.

When can I join?

There will be a membership launch in 2018.

Will it be part of a college?


No, a faculty does not have to be part of a college. It will be an independent charitable organisation but with close links to the National School of Occupational Health.

Why the launch in 2018?

We are taking a project management approach to ensure that all the legal and governance issues associated with creating a new organisation are properly in place and sustainable. We are also keen to engage with the wider OH community to form an organisation that is modern and relevant to OHN's needs - this takes time.

What about funding?

The AOHNP have donated £8000 to help with the set up costs but we will be seeking additional funding.



Welcome to the Faculty of Occupational Health Nursing (FOHN) development website. Our eventual aim is to create a centre of excellence for all occupational health nurses in the UK and beyond. This website will provide information about who we are, our objectives and progress until our formal launch in 2018. As part of our collaborative approach we will be regularly communicating with the occupational health community but in the meantime please feel free to contact us on info@fohn.org.uk.

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