Clinical Leadership for Dietitians

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Overview of the programme

This programme aims to equip dietitians with the tools and techniques to help support them in their day to day practice in the continually changing health and care landscape.

The programme will include the implications, importance and practical application of the NHS Clinical Leadership Competency Framework (CLCF) to every day dietetic practice. In addition it will cover the importance of clinical leadership to quality service improvement, business performance and describe service improvement techniques to support innovation in service development.

Learning outcomes for the programme

By the end of the programme participants will:

1. Develop an understanding of the importance of clinical leadership to business performance and service improvement in dietetic services.

2. Develop an understanding of shared leadership and followership.

3. Be able to identify and describe service improvement techniques to support innovation.

4. Understand the importance of professionalism and accountability in everyday practice.

5. Be able to identify opportunities for dietitians to be involved in leading integrated care initiatives.
Programme developers and biographies

The programme has been developed by June Davis and Professor Mary Lovegrove OBE, Co-Directors of Allied Health Solutions.

June Davis BSc (Hons) SRD MBA

June Davis has 20 years’ experience working in the NHS as a dietitian, service and professional lead, general manager for a number of service areas within the acute setting and senior project lead for large scale change across London.

June has over 10 year’s experience working as Head of Therapies for large acute Trusts. These roles involved both the strategic and operational management of one of the largest therapy services in the UK as well as being at the forefront of integrating research, service delivery and education across AHP services.

June has and is currently working with commissioners extensively as an AHP lead for one of the newly formed Strategic Clinical Networks to strengthen the role and contribution of AHPs. She has expertise in preparing and presenting business cases as well as generating and delivering QIPP ideas through service improvement working with and as a provider of services. June works extensively with service providers to establish how fit for purpose their services are and supporting these providers to develop and market their services in the best way to deliver positive outcomes for service users.

June is also a professional advisor to the Care Quality Commission.

Professor Mary Lovegrove OBE

Professor Mary Lovegrove OBE, Professor of Education and Development for Allied Health Professions is a diagnostic radiographer by profession and a very experienced education manager for allied health. Mary is a very experienced researcher with extensive experience of leading projects associated with workforce improvements for the allied health workforce.

Mary has particular interest and expertise in clinical leadership and also in the impact of education and training on the service and the associated benefits for the service user.

Mary is currently a Senior Policy Advisor to the Council of Deans of Health, a member of the Executive of the Council of Deans of Health representing allied health and an AHP advisor to Centre for Workforce Intelligence. Mary is the education representative on the Allied Health Professional Advisory Board and a member of the design group for the new Education Outcomes Framework. Mary has extensive international experience and currently works with allied health groups in Singapore, Hong Kong and China.