



2025-26 TRAINING PROSPECTUS

Federation-led learning for better care, stronger teams, and a healthier community.

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**FEDERATION
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ABOUT US

The Federation Education Hub is a strategic education and development programme delivered by the Eastern Federation Support Unit (EFSU). Designed to support continuous professional development across general practice, the Hub offers a coordinated schedule of training opportunities for clinical and non-clinical staff at all levels.

Operating as part of EFSU's wider commitment to enhancing primary care, the Hub works in collaboration with other services including Practice Based Learning (PBL) and the GPECS Service.

Through the provision of expert-led courses, workshops, and leadership development, the Federation Education Hub aims to build capability, strengthen resilience, and enable the general practice workforce to thrive in an evolving healthcare landscape.





CLINICAL SKILLS

Minor Surgery: 1 Day Course

Trainers: Dr Siobhan McEntee and Dr Conor Bradley

Date: Wed 24th Sept, 9.30am - 4pm

Location: Holy Rosary Parish, 503 Ormeau Road, Belfast, BT7 3GR

Cost: £250 (including VAT)



Course Description

This full day session is suitable for those who require an introduction to Minor Surgery, for GPs and GP Trainees seeking to gain knowledge and enhance their skills in Minor Surgery. Delivered by experienced GP Elective Care Clinical Director Dr Siobhan McEntee and Dr Conor Bradley, GP and experienced GPES Doctor in Dermatology.

Course Content

- Lesion recognition
- Sutures
- Consent
- Samples, testing & managing results
- DES claims
- Local anaesthesia
- Procedures suitable for minor surgery

Practical Workshop to include:

- Shave & punch biopsy
- Dermal sutures
- Mattress stitch & more!



There are currently 20 places available and a waiting list will be compiled with a further date being planned for 2026.

To register for the course scan the QR code on the right.

For enquiries please contact rachel.hawkins@easternfsu.co.uk



CPR Training for Primary Care Staff: BLS/AED

Trainer: Peter Bradley, Geras Training Solutions

Dates: 10/09/25 , 03/12/25, 04/03/26 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Location: EFSU Offices, Bradford Court, Belfast BT8 6RB

Cost: £52 (including VAT)

Queries: rachel.hawkins@easternfsu.co.uk



Course Description

This practical hands-on evening session is facilitated by EFSU in conjunction with Geras Training Solutions and tailored for GPs, Pharmacists, Medical Professionals and other members of the practice team. Your training will be delivered by Peter Bradley, Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue and Co-Founder of Belfast Stammer Support.

The scenario-based training method ensures participants will gain **essential life-saving** skills and **confidence** in emergency situations.

Course Content

- High Quality team CPR using the DRABC approach
- Covers both Adult and Child CPR and AED use
- Safe and effective use of AED
- Scenario-based group training for real-world application
- Recognition and management of anaphylaxis
- Choking response
- Recovery position techniques
- Emphasis on teamwork and communication in emergencies



Who can attend

- GPs
- Pharmacists
- Other Medical Professionals
- Non-Clinical members of the Practice Team

A certificate will be provided following completion of the course with 1 year's certification.





LEADERSHIP SKILLS

STEP UP TO LEADERSHIP IN GENERAL PRACTICE (20 CATS)

DATE(S): STARTS 13/11/25 – ENDS 23/07/26

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MON 29TH SEPT 2025

LOCATION: EFSU OFFICES

DELIVERED BY: QUB

COST: FREE



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Course Description

The School of Medicine, Dentistry & Biomedical Sciences and the Thomas J. Moran Graduate School, in collaboration with the Eastern Federation Support Unit, together offer a personal and professional development programme tailored for General Practitioners in Primary Care. This programme is designed for GPs who aspire to take on greater leadership roles within their practice. Participants will gain valuable insights into the personal, interpersonal, and professional skills necessary to effectively manage and lead a practice. Additionally, the programme will guide GPs in creating a Personal Development Plan to further enhance these competencies.

The programme is also accredited by the Chartered Management Institute (CMI) and successful participants will achieve a Chartered Management Institute (CMI) Level 7 Award in Strategic Management and Leadership Practice alongside obtaining 20 University CAT points.

Course Highlights



Tutor Led Delivery by
experienced GPs and CMI
Consultants



Assessment and
Accreditation by the
Chartered Management
Institute



Practical advice required to
be an effective senior leader
in General Practice



In person events in a
small cohort

How to apply

Application and queries all made via QUB Short Courses
Page or scanning the QR code to the right



STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP IN PRIMARY CARE (40 CATS)

DATE(S): STARTS 30/09/25 – ENDS 03/03/26

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 4PM, TUES 12TH AUG

LOCATION: QUB

DELIVERED BY: QUB

COST: FREE



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Course Description

The School of Medicine, Dentistry & Biomedical Sciences and the Thomas J. Moran Graduate School, in collaboration with the Eastern Federation Support Unit, together offer a Strategic Management and Leadership module designed to equip primary care practitioners with advanced leadership and management skills. This programme prepares participants to become future leaders in the healthcare sector and also enables them to plan, lead and execute a strategic project directly connected to their role.

The programme is also accredited by the Chartered Management Institute (CMI) and successful participants will achieve a Chartered Management Institute (CMI) Level 7 Award in Strategic Management and Leadership Practice alongside obtaining 40 University CAT points.

Course Highlights



Divided into 2 units: Strategic Leadership & Strategic Management Project



Assessment and Accreditation by the Chartered Management Institute



Plan, lead and execute a strategic project directly connected to your professional role



In person events in a small cohort

How to apply

Application and all queries made via QUB Short Courses Page or scanning the QR code to the right



COACHING ON THE GO: EMPOWERING HEALTHCARE TEAMS IN REAL TIME

DATE: 9TH OCTOBER , 9.30 – 13:00
LOCATION: EFSU OFFICES, BELFAST
DELIVERED BY: JOHN MACKEL
COST: £90 INC VAT



Course Description

This course caters to any leaders working in General Practice who want to develop their coaching skills to get the best out of their teams and individuals in the moment.

In it's second successful year, this course proved itself popular and John Mackel is back to deliver more excellent training to improve and strengthen your team.

Course Objectives

- The benefits of adopting a coaching approach to problem solving and decision making
- The barriers to effective coaching
- The vital skills for coaching staff in the moment
- How to utilise coaching skills to optimise people's potential

This course may be taken as a standalone or in conjunction with our other Coaching Module 'From Manager to Coach: Unlocking Potential in a Healthcare Setting' for a 10% discount.

For any queries please contact rachel.hawkins@easternfsu.co.uk



FROM MANAGER TO COACH: UNLOCKING POTENTIAL IN A HEALTHCARE SETTING

DATE: 26TH NOV , 9.30 – 13:00

LOCATION: EFSU OFFICES, BELFAST

DELIVERED BY: JOHN MACKEL

COST: £90 INC VAT



Course Description

This course has been developed for any leaders working in General Practice who want to enhance their coaching skills to maximise the potential of their team as part of a long term development plan.

Course Objectives

By the end of the workshop participants will have gained knowledge/confidence in the following:

- Coaching for the long-term
- Building coaching into practice life and development plans
- The essential skills required to achieve longer term coaching goals

This course may be taken as a standalone or in conjunction with our other Coaching Module 'Coaching on the Go: Empowering Healthcare Teams in Real Time' for a 10% discount.

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SERVICE LED EDUCATION

The logo consists of two overlapping rounded rectangular shapes. The left shape is dark blue and contains the text 'FEDERATION EDUCATION HUB' in white. The right shape is bright green.

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PRACTICE BASED LEARNING

PBL

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As locally delivered, team-based education, PBL is a vital part of our broader learning strategy. It enables practices to come together in a shared space, promoting discussion, collaboration, and consistency in care. We include PBL in this booklet to ensure practice teams have visibility of the full range of support available to them, both locally and regionally, through the Federation Education Hub.



[LINK TO PAST EVENTS](#)

ABOUT PBL

Practice Based Learning

Practice Based Learning (PBL) is a cornerstone of the Eastern Federation Support Unit's educational programme, delivering local, face-to-face training tailored to the real-world needs of general practice teams. Rooted in collaboration between Federations and practices, PBL supports multidisciplinary learning across clinical and non-clinical roles.

With a focus on practical application, peer-to-peer discussion, and real-time relevance, PBL offers a flexible timetable of sessions across the year, shaped by feedback from frontline teams. Topics span long-term condition management, clinical pathways, systems training, and essential updates aligned with current service needs.

PBL dates for the upcoming academic year can be found on the Eastern FSU website and the agenda is added for each date when ready for booking by practice staff (usually a few weeks before each event).

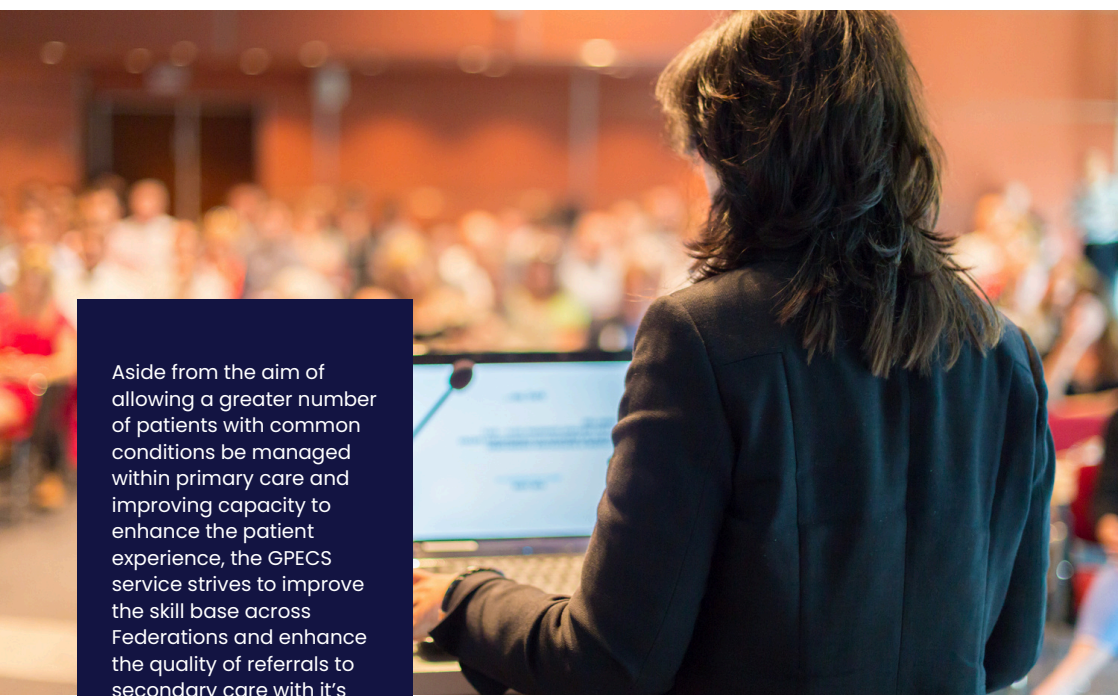
We also store any resources from speakers on the Past Events section of the website so attendees can access vital information when needed.



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GENERAL PRACTICE ELECTIVE CARE





Aside from the aim of allowing a greater number of patients with common conditions be managed within primary care and improving capacity to enhance the patient experience, the GPECS service strives to improve the skill base across Federations and enhance the quality of referrals to secondary care with it's educational arm.

ABOUT



Did you know of the education and training available via the Elective Care Service?

'Confidence In' Webinar Series – the complete collection of Dermatology, MSK and Gynae Webinars are available on the GPECS website alongside a resource hub for each with clinical guidelines.

The GPECS Team won a Quality in Care (QIC) Award for their Dermatology Series in 2022!

Lesion Recognition Course – there is a free E-Learning course available on their website to refresh your knowledge on skin lesion recognition and dermoscopy



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