

MOSSHEALTHSKILLS

Course: Travel Health (including those working in General Practice and Community Pharmacy)

Reference Number: 2200

Travel health advice, guidance and immunisation is of relevance to an increasing range of health care practitioners offering Travel Health services. This programme takes a holistic approach to individual needs assessment, preventative advice, precautions and vaccinations.

Protecting the population from health threats, helping people live longer, healthier and more fulfilling lives are priorities in the government's strategy for Public health in England

Along with the provision of a clean water supply, immunisation has been one of the public health interventions with the greatest impact worldwide, immunisation being the most effective medical intervention in the world.

The ability to provide holistic travel health risk assessment and accurate preventative advice and immunisation is fundamental to those offering Travel Health services

As immunisation programmes continue to evolve, meeting the demand to improve the control of infectious disease through immunisation, reform in health care brings the opportunities for wider professions to become active players in supply and delivering immunisations.

It is crucial that those doing so are prepared to national standards and operate within a robust clinical governance framework. To meet the growing need for new practitioners to undertake an active part such as general Practice Nurses, Pharmacists and Occupational Healthcare staff this programme may be tailored to the specific needs of your staff and service provision.

Contents:

- Legal, professional and clinical governance framework
- Patient travel health and risk assessment
- Preventative healthcare advice
- Immunisation schedules
- Managing schedules including unimmunised adults, those with incomplete histories or at specific risk
- Vaccine types, manufacture and supply
- Immunity
- Vaccine presentation
- Counselling and consent
- Immunisation sites, procedure and Health and safety
- Cold chain and stock management
- Prescription requirements: PSD, PGD
- Recording systems and patient information
- Reactions and their management
- Management of anaphylaxis

- Personal and professional development
- Portfolio development and assessment
- Observation and supervised practice

Programmes are delivered within your protocol as promoted by HPA National Minimum Standards for Immunisation Training & Core Curriculum for Immunisation Training, guidance of professional bodies (RCN Standards/competencies for Travel Health) and the Department of Health 'Immunisation against infectious disease' ('Green Book') updates and CMO guidance.

Training programmes are highly interactive, practically focussed using case scenarios and common professional dilemmas and take a blended learning approach.

Additional support and advice on operational frameworks can be provided



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