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## Recognition of Prior Learning

If you are undertaking a different Advanced Practice qualification you may wish to discuss with your Programme Leader the possibility of using the credits from this module towards that qualification. Credits can sometimes be counted up or down a level too. Please note that regulations differ between programmes and Higher Education Institutions.

## Support

The module was developed with the support of NHS Education for Scotland.

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### For more information on IMPACT-

[www.impactmedical.org](http://www.impactmedical.org)

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### For more information on the Scottish Clinical Simulation Centre-

[www.scsc.scot.nhs.uk](http://www.scsc.scot.nhs.uk)

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## Recognition and Management of the Acutely Unwell Adult

MMB721734

(incorporating the IMPACT course)



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Advanced Nurse Practitioner

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## Introduction

This module is designed to prepare the student working in the acute care setting to manage the acutely unwell patient through processes of assessment, diagnosis, care management and evaluation. It is of particular use to students who will be working as Advanced Nurse Practitioners within Hospital at Night teams and other in-patient acute care areas.

## Accreditation

This is a double module at masters degree level which is accredited by Glasgow Caledonian University. Successful students will gain 30 credits at SCQF level 11. The module forms part of the MSc Advanced Nursing.

## Impact

Embedded within the module is Federation of Royal Medical Colleges and the Royal College of Anaesthetists' Ill Medical Patients Acute Care and Treatment (IMPACT) course. Students have the opportunity to gain an IMPACT certificate during the module.



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## Scottish Clinical Simulation Centre

During the module students get to practice on a sophisticated, life-size dummy which breathes, blinks, moves and talks. This simulator is programmed to mimic different medical conditions. It then replicates the appropriate physical response to particular interventions and drugs. Real monitors display the 'patient's' vital signs so students can assess the patient's progress – as they would in a real-life situation.



## Format of course

The module is delivered by a multidisciplinary team which includes consultant medical staff and senior nurses. The module is run once a year between January and June. Classes are normally held on a weekday afternoon in Glasgow. Additional sessions may be held elsewhere. The IMPACT course is usually held at the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow and the Clinical Simulator Centre is at Forth Valley Royal Hospital.

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## Syllabus

- *The recognition and initial assessment of the critically ill medical patient.*
- *Initial management of common conditions such as respiratory and cardiac problems, the hypotensive patient and the patient with a deteriorating level of consciousness.*
- *Clinical skills including Advanced Life Support, chest drain insertion and non-invasive ventilation.*
- *Autonomy and initiative.*
- *Decision making and clinical judgement*
- *Delegation and communication.*

## Applying for a place

Places on the course are gained through competitive entry. Applicants must be registered health care professionals with six or more years experience and have completed a clinical assessment course e.g. M3B722014 History Taking and Physical Examination or equivalent.

Applicants must work within a clinical area where they will be supported to practice skills learnt on the course. Applicants should also hold a current Advanced Life Support qualification and preferably have an honours degree, although applicants will be considered based on experience and learning.

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