



**FIRST CONTACT PRACTITIONER
PROGRAMME**

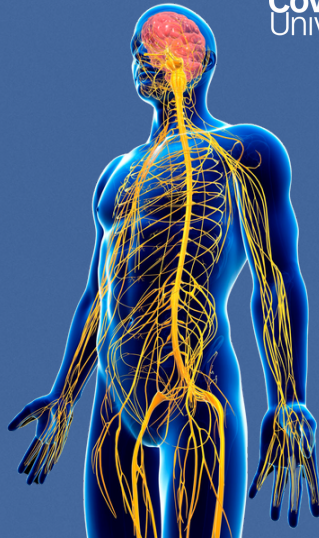
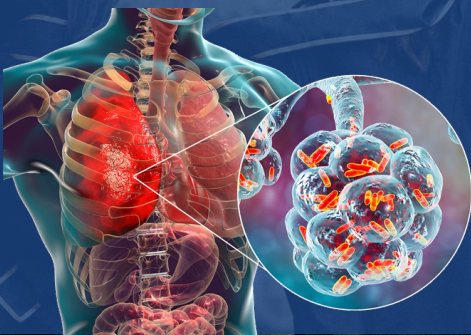
PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Coventry University, as a leading education provider of health and care courses, offers a dynamic 10-week FCP programme of development (MSK and Paramedic), meticulously aligned with the FCP Roadmap.

This programme is designed for eligible FCPs across England, focusing on the integration of evidence-based practice, systems thinking, and multidisciplinary collaboration to address the complexities of primary care.



Highlighting the realities and pressures of primary care, this programme uniquely combines theoretical knowledge with practical application, ensuring FCPs are well-equipped to navigate the challenges and optimise patient care pathways in their practice.



ENHANCED LEARNING WITH DUAL-TAUGHT SESSIONS:

Core sessions are dual-taught alongside the FCP MSK and Paramedics programme, fostering an enriched learning environment that emphasizes the value of interprofessional insights and collaboration in enhancing patient outcomes.



PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

The First Contact Practitioner (FCP) programme is a pioneering learning journey crafted to empower **physiotherapists and paramedics** with essential skills and knowledge for excelling in primary care environments.

Anchored in a multidisciplinary methodology, it seamlessly blends core sessions with specific segments tailored to address the unique aspects of physiotherapy and paramedic professions. The journey kicks off with **Systems Thinking in Action: Navigating Clinical Complexity** setting the stage for an immersive exploration into the holistic approach required for effective patient management. This foundational part underscores the importance of operational and clinical systems thinking, essential for adeptly navigating the complexities of patient care.

Progressing through the journey, **Mastering Communication within Minutes: Elevating Patient Assessments** becomes a pivotal learning segment. It is devoted to refining patient communication and assessment techniques, crucial in the time-sensitive context of primary care, aiming to enhance efficiency without compromising the depth of patient evaluations.

The programme then ventures into **Clinical and Diagnostic Dilemmas**, expanding the learners horizon with strategies to enhance clinical reasoning. This includes an awareness of imaging and pathology results, managing uncertainty, and addressing multi-morbidity in primary care scenarios, equipping participants with the skills to confidently navigate these challenges.

Rheumatology Unwrapped: From Differential Diagnosis to Pathway Precision delves into differentiating rheumatological conditions from other disorders, crucial for developing precise care pathways. This segment is enriched with high-level **pharmacology considerations**, providing an overview of medication management relevant to both prescribers and non-prescribers, ensuring a comprehensive understanding of therapeutic options and their application in rheumatological care. This part of the journey underscores improving diagnostic accuracy and ensuring effective treatment through an integrated approach to care pathways and medication management.

Comprehensive Care Strategies: Beyond the Basics shifts the focus toward integrating comprehensive management strategies for clinical conditions. Emphasising patient education and self-management, promoting a holistic care approach that goes beyond conventional treatment.

Navigating Minor Illnesses with Expertise, caters specifically to paramedics moving into FCP roles. It enhances clinical acumen in managing minor illnesses, covering advanced patient assessment and common conditions across various domains, including specialised care areas like mental health and paediatric considerations, to sharpen diagnostic precision and therapeutic strategies



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MDT Collaboration threads through the programme, highlighting the crucial role of multidisciplinary teams in the patient management and rehabilitation process and showcasing the unique contributions of various healthcare professionals in clinical management.

Interprofessional Insights: Enhancing Management Together stresses the collaborative essence of patient care, offering a platform for the exchange of insights and strategies across professions.

The journey concludes with **Reflect, Integrate, Advance: Setting the Path for Professional Growth**, which encourages reflective practice and the integration of the programme's learnings into participants' clinical practice.

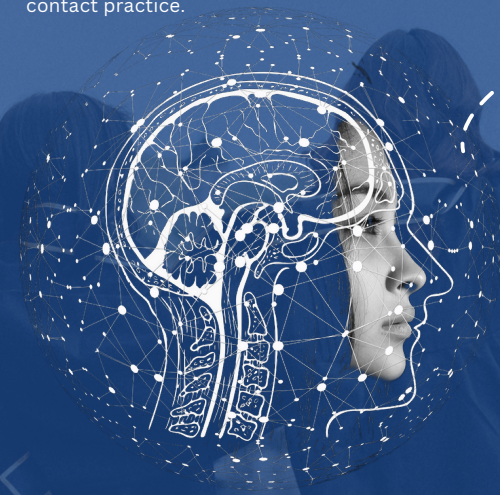
Aligned with the FCP Roadmap, this final segment aims to foster continuous professional development and guide participants toward **leadership, management and research** in first contact practice.

Designed as more than just a series of learning sessions, this programme is a **transformative experience that challenges and inspires**, blending theoretical knowledge with practical application through interactive case studies, role-playing exercises, and collaborative learning environments.

It promises to significantly advance the careers of **physiotherapists and paramedics**, enhancing their clinical capabilities to deliver exceptional patient-centred care and confidently navigate the clinical complexities of primary care as First Contact Practitioners.



ELEVATE YOUR PRACTICE WITH COVENTRY UNIVERSITY'S FCP COURSE WHERE THEORETICAL KNOWLEDGE MEETS PRACTICAL EXCELLENCE IN PRIMARY CARE.



KEY PROGRAMME FEATURES

FCP Roadmap Alignment: Curriculum designed in alignment with the FCP Roadmap to Excellence, ensuring relevance and applicability.

Dual-Taught Sessions: Unique learning experience through interprofessional education, enhancing understanding and collaboration.

Evidence-Based & Practical Focus: Combining the latest research with practical application to meet the challenges of primary care. **Interactive & Collaborative Learning**, with engaging methodologies including case studies, workshops, and group discussions.



BENEFITS FOR LEARNERS

Develop advanced skills in diagnosis and management, with a strong foundation in systems thinking and evidence-based practice. Gain insights into optimising clinical pathways and managing patient care under the pressures of primary care, whilst enhancing interprofessional collaboration skills and contributing to improved patient outcomes.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Eligible FCPs across England can access funded training places through NHS England's initiative. For support and information on eligibility, please contact your Regional and Training Hub Contacts.



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