

## PRESS RELEASE 20th October 2021 - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# MONDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2021 LAUNCH OF CPD ACCREDITED, NEUROENDOCRINE CANCER NURSE ACADEMY www.ncukacademy.org.uk

Neuroendocrine Cancer UK is thrilled to announce that we have now launched the competencybased, CPD accredited NCUK Academy Nurse Course.

The NCUK Academy is independent and free-to-access any time. It was designed for nurses (and allied healthcare professionals), working across a range of healthcare settings, to provide a free online resource regarding Neuroendocrine Cancer – what it is, how it may present and how it is diagnosed, treated and managed.

Developed by our specialist nurse, AHP and expert patient faculty and endorsed by UKINETs, this accredited NCUK Academy provides a combination of evidence-based resources, practitioner and patient video presentations and is divided into 4 key inter-related E-learning components:

## Part 1

An introduction and overview of Neuroendocrine Cancer

## Part 2

Site Specific Neuroendocrine Cancers

## Part 3

**Related Syndromes** 

## Part 4

Holistic Care Considerations

The Academy is a competency-based modular programme that aims to work from promoting awareness to encouraging a deeper understanding of Neuroendocrine Cancers – enhancing knowledge, problem-solving and the critical thinking skills of those completing it.



The NCUK Academy is also home to the RCN accredited Neuroendocrine Cancer Nurse Competency Framework. This can be downloaded in its entirety, or as individual bite-size site specific documents to be used in work-based learning. These documents include a reflective practice template that can be completed and kept for revalidation portfolio.<u>See the full framework here</u> This RCN accredited framework provides the basis for our CPD accredited NCUK Academy, launching 20th October 2021.

## Visit the NCUK Academy Nurse Course – www.ncukacademy.org.uk

We would like to take this opportunity to once again thank our incredible specialist nurse, AHP and expert patient faculty: Angie Williamson, Catherine Bouvier, Gail McKane, Irene Wotherspoon, Kate Quirk, Kym Winter, Liz Quaglia, Mike Tadman, Nikie Jervis, Wendy Martin, Yasmin Chotai de Lima for their contribution to this innovative course.

## **About Neuroendocrine Cancer UK**

Neuroendocrine Cancer UK is a UK wide charity solely dedicated to providing support and information to those affected by Neuroendocrine Cancer. We also act as advocates, working with healthcare professionals and health policy makers, to promote access to best care and treatments, increase awareness, encourage and support clinical research and ultimately improve patient experience and outcomes.

## Contact

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Neuroendocrine Cancer Nurse Competency Framework - RCN Accredited - review due May 24th 2022.

Accreditation applies only to the educational content and not to any product. Neither RCN nor NCUK can confirm competence of any practitioner.

The <u>NMC</u> have provided a guidance sheet that outlines the types of activities that would be counted as Continuous Professional Development (CPD).

Different types of CPD in the context of the UK.

- 1. Higher education CPD refers to training/learning which is provided by an accredited institution of higher learning in the UK.
- Non-higher education CPD encompasses learning outside of the higher education sector. This can include: conferences, webinars, online learning modules, reading, mentoring, etc. It can also include mandatory workplace training but only if the learning content is directly applicable to a nurse's area of practice.

All of the Parts of the NCUK Academy comply with the definition of CPD activities – in addition, Parts 2 and 3 have been externally evaluated and accredited with CPD points.