

CERTIFICATE IN NURSING (NURSE/MIDWIFE PRESCRIBING)

Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for Certificate in Nursing (Nurse/Midwife Prescribing) (NFQ Level 8, Special Purpose Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Demonstrate and apply a detailed knowledge of medications within a defined formulary including appropriate parameters and effects of medication for safe, appropriate and cost effective administration;
- Exercise appropriate judgment in prescribing safely and effectively within ones professional scope of practice and legislative framework;
- Demonstrate knowledge of the role of the multi-disciplinary team and effective communication involved in safe medication management including the limitations of use of nurse prescribing in relation to professional accountability;
- Demonstrate ability to exercise initiative and appropriate decision-making skills through evaluation of client needs to achieve a holistic approach to patient/client care in the prescribing of medicinal products;
- Conduct quality assurance reviews and audits of practice to ensure best practice is adhered to;
- Apply expert knowledge in clinical decision making to manage learning tasks independently, professionally and ethically and conduct research in order to advance and apply knowledge and creative skills in a range of contexts.