

## DIPLOMA COURSE – including Microsuction for registered nurses and audiologists

This is a diploma level course, quality assured by Sheffield University, for nurses and practitioners, working in the primary setting and secondary care. It is taught in small groups over 5 consecutive days, either on a residential or non-residential basis

Theory and practice are taught concurrently, experiential learning taking place in patient clinics

### Possible Participants:

Registered Nurses  
Audiologists

Course Aims: This course aims to equip practitioners with the knowledge and skills to enable them to remove wax, treat ear infections and carry out audiometry

## EAR IRRIGATION AND INSTRUMENTATION STUDY DAY

This study day is intended to give the practitioner knowledge of and practical experience of ear irrigation and instrumentation

### Possible Participants

Registered Nurses  
Audiologists

Course Aims: To give an understanding of the basic anatomy and physiology of the ear and the need for preventative care (including patient education and advice)

To demonstrate the safe and proficient use of basic aural care equipment and instruments for the removal of wax, aural toilet and ear irrigation

To reflect on accountability, documentation and the management of change in relation to ear care

## EAR INFECTIONS & TREATMENTS HALF DAY

This study day is intended to give practitioners updated knowledge of irrigation and knowledge and treatment of common ear problems.

### Possible Participants:

Registered Nurses

Course Aims: an understanding of the basic anatomy and physiology of the ear  
an understanding of the prevention of ear problems  
a foundation of knowledge on which to base practical aural toilet, wax instrumentation and ear irrigation  
an improved ability to recognise common ear problems and apply the most appropriate treatments

## MICROSUCTION ONE DAY COURSE

An ear microsuction course for registered nurses and audiologists & other suitably qualified professionals

One of the few microsuction courses for ears in the UK this course is backed by a comprehensive protocol and is taught by practitioners who have been providing this service for patients for over ten years.

The essential elements of the original two-day course have been developed into a new intensive programme which includes practical and taught sessions covering anatomy and physiology of the ear, the basics of wax and wax removal, equipment, principles, contraindications and procedure.

We recommend that, following the course, those delegates with little experience of the microsuction procedure acquire a suitable mentor and complete a programme of clinical competencies.

## EAR IRRIGATION AND INSTRUMENTATION FOR HEALTHCARE ASSISTANTS, SUPPORT WORKERS AND THEIR MENTORS

A one day intensive course in ear irrigation for Healthcare Assistants, Support Workers and their mentors.

It is designed to ensure that those Assistants who are expected to irrigate are able to do so confidently and safely.

Following completion of the course, participants will have:

An understanding of the basic anatomy and physiology of the ear

An understanding of basic ear care

A foundation of knowledge on which to base practical ear irrigation

Following the course, the student will require practical supervision by a suitable mentor who has received training in ear care. The mentor must be identified, and approved, prior to commencement of the course and must attend the morning of the study day.

## MICROSUCTION COURSE for HCAS, SUPPORT WORKERS AND THEIR MENTORS

This is a new course for those practitioners who may be expected to provide, or assist with, ear microsuction as part of their extended role.

The course includes:

Anatomy and physiology of the ear  
Perforations, cholesteatoma and other ear conditions

Management of excessive earwax and contraindications to microsuction

Introduction to the microscope and suction machine: basic checks, cleaning and maintenance

A practical skills session with the microscope

## EAR IRRIGATION HALF-DAY UPDATE

Open to Nurses and Healthcare Assistants who have completed the Primary Ear Care Diploma Course, Ear Care Study Day, Healthcare Assistants' /Assistant Practitioners' course within the last 2 years

### Course Aims:

To revise the basic anatomy and physiology of the ear  
To revise and have an understanding of the prevention of ear problems, considering the patient holistically  
To have an understanding of infection control associated with ear care  
To have an understanding of documentation in relation to ear care

## MOULD IMPRESSION COURSE

for Audiologists, Associate Audiologists and hearing aid technicians

This two day course is open to healthcare professionals who are required to take mould impressions for hearing aids, in-ear monitors, (sound protection), swim plugs (water protection) etc.

### Course Aims:

To give an understanding of the basic anatomy and physiology of the ear  
To demonstrate safe otoscopy  
To equip healthcare professionals with the knowledge and skills to undertake safe mould impressions  
To have an understanding of correct infection control measures associated with taking mould impressions

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## MICROSUCTION HALF-DAY UPDATE

Open to Nurses, Audiologists and other suitably qualified professionals who have completed the One-Day Microsuction Course within the last 2 years.

### Course Aims:

To revise the basic anatomy and physiology of the ear  
To revise and have an understanding of: perforations, cholesteatoma and other ear conditions,  
management of excessive earwax  
contraindications to microsuction  
microscope and suction machine: basic checks, cleaning and maintenance

**These or other bespoke courses can be brought to you at your own venue – please email us or ring for details**

**All courses are quality assured by The University of Sheffield**

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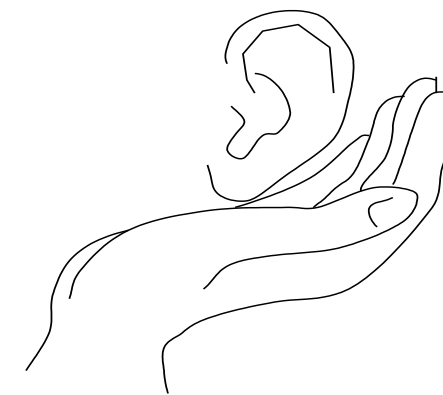
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