Law, Policies and Procedures (and AMHP role)

Module Code: SOW7002-B  
Academic Year: 2018-19  
Credit Rating: 20  
School: School of Social Sciences  
Subject Area: Social Work  
FHEQ Level: FHEQ Level 7 (Masters)

Pre-requisites:  
Co-requisites:

Contact Hours

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Availability Periods

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Module Aims

To analyse critically the theory and practice of mental health legislation, related codes of practice and national guidance including related case law; to analyse critically the theory and policies related to the AMHP role; to analyse critically national and local policies, guidance and procedures relating to statutory mental health functions; to apply legislation and policy to AMHP practice.

Outline Syllabus

Mental health law; The role and responsibilities of the Approved Mental Health Professional (AMHP); Human Rights and Equality legislation and the role of the AMHP; Mental Capacity
and Deprivation of Liberty legislation; Children’s legislation; Inter-professional practice; roles and responsibilities of other professionals involved in statutory mental health work.

Module Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this module, students will be able to...

1. a) demonstrate detailed knowledge of mental health legislation and related codes of practice;
   b) knowledge of other relevant legislation applicable to the role of an AMHP, including that related to the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults, mental capacity and community care; c) critically evaluate local and national policy to inform AMHP practice;
   d) knowledge of the relevant aspects of Human Rights and Equality legislation and policy;
   e) an understanding of the legal position and accountability of AMHPs, employers and the authority the AMHP is acting for in relation to the Mental Health Act 1983 and the AMHP Regulations 2008.

2. a) apply knowledge of mental health legislation, related codes of practice and national and local policy guidance;
   b) apply knowledge of other relevant legislation, codes of practice, national and local policy guidance, in particular the Children Act 1989, the Children Act 2004, the Mental Capacity Act 2005 and the Human Rights Act 1998;
   c) demonstrate an explicit awareness of the legal position and accountability of AMHPs in relation to the legislation, any employing organisation and the authority on whose behalf they are acting. [Note: these discipline skills are taken directly from the HCPC standards and requirements and the Mental Health (AMHP) Regulations 2008.]

3. a) critically reflect on the legislative and policy context for professional practice;
   b) apply legislation to mental health practice including the role of the AMHP.

Learning, Teaching and Assessment Strategy

Module teaching will use a variety of teaching methods including lectures, small group teaching and case studies. The module will include presentations from experienced practising AMHPs. You will also be required to read widely in the subject area.

The assessment has one two-part assignment as indicated below. You are also required to meet the module attendance requirement of 80% attendance.

Supplementary assessment: If the attendance component is failed then the whole module must be repeated. If only the coursework component has been failed then this can be resubmitted.

Mode of Assessment

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**Legacy Code (if applicable)**

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**Reading List**

To view Reading List, please go to [rebus:list](#).