

#### Welcome to the first edition of the RGUC Newsletter

This newsletter will update members of the Dudley Group Undergraduate Teaching Academy about projects and resources being developed for medical students to supplement their learning and medical education. We aim to publish an edition every quarter.

## WHAT'S NEW

#### Topics covered in this edition:

- Key dates
- Digital Feedback
- RGUC Connect
- Latest projects; Airway to Exposure; Lecture Series RGUC TV; OpSight
- 2018 RGUC brochure
- Blood Transfusion eLearning course
- Appraisals



We've made some improvements to our digital feedback system. The changes will improve the user experience for our medical students when they submit feedback regarding teaching they have received.

Feedback data can now also be easily collated by undergraduate coordinators, making the process of issuing feedback results to academy tutors and teachers much simpler.

The forms can be accessed via the 'Teaching Feedback Forms' link on the RGUC website, or students can scan the QR codes with their mobile device. QR codes are pinned to the wall in all seminar rooms.



## RGUC CONNECT CALENDAR APP

The media team have been developing a new mobile application to support students during their placements. The RGUC Connect app is designed to provide easy access to daily timetable activities and will be compatible with both Apple and Android mobile devices. A web-based version of the calendar will be available to those without a smartphone or tablet. Testing is under way with the June 2018 intake of 4<sup>th</sup> year students and we hope to gain some valuable user feedback in readiness for making the app available to all students from September 2018.

### **KEY DIARY DATES**

- 4th year students' start date Tuesday 26th June
- 5th year students' start date Tuesday 4th September
- 3<sup>rd</sup> year students' start date Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September

#### **UPCOMING ACADEMY MEETINGS 2018**

- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December
- All academy meetings take place in the Undergraduate Centre at 1pm on the dates above.



Designed to complement and enhance the 5<sup>th</sup> year acutely ill patient programme, Airway to Exposure (A to E) is an e-learning resource that aims to help students develop an understanding of how to approach various acute clinical presentations. A to E has been designed in a way that urges the user to make choices in order to progress through a given scenario, prompting them to respond to the information provided and decide on the best method of treatment for a particular patient's condition. Completed A to E modules include hypoglycaemia and DKA. The media team are currently developing an additional four scenarios, which will be available soon.

Medical students and academy staff can access the Airway to Exposure course via the Online Learning Platform.



The media team have been working closely with clinical teaching fellow, Emma Low, in the development of RGUC TV. This new venture aims to increase students awareness and engagement with the resources that the RGUC online learning platform has to offer.

At present, students are able to watch RGUC TV on the TV in the undergraduate centre common room during certain times of the semester, as well as on-demand via the RGUC YouTube channel and Online Learning Platform. We will continue to develop additional video content for this platform to enable us to provide a more comprehensive programming schedule in the future.

Why not take a look at RGUC TV episodes so far? Simply visit the RGUC TV on-demand area within the Online Learning Platform.



# LectureSeries

The 'Lecture Series' project aims to implement a more engaging and efficient approach to the delivery of lectures to medical students.

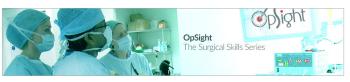
Stepping away from the typical PowerPoint format, our academy, media team and teaching fellows are collaborating to renovate and update the existing lectures that sit within the 3<sup>rd</sup> year medical student curriculum. Lectures in the process of being re-branded include; diarrhoeal diseases; diabetic emergencies; acute limb ischaemia and sepsis.

Anyone who requires their lecture to be updated should approach the media team with their original content.









**OpSight provides a detailed visual insight of common surgical skills and procedures**, and is designed to help students gain a better understanding before and after attending theatre sessions. Videos, supporting notes and multiple choice questions allow students to consolidate the knowledge they gain from their surgical exposure.

We've completed two episodes covering laparoscopic cholecystectomy and coronary angiography procedures. New episodes covering inguinal hernia repair and abdominal aortic aneurysm are currently in production. These resources are available on the Online Learning Platform.



## **Appraisals and Peer Review**

As part of our Academy quality assurance and consultant revalidation, all consultant tutors and teachers are required to undertake an annual appraisal. The process normally starts in October of each year and follows the standards set by the GMC for recognition and approval of trainers.

The standards are adopted from the Academy of Medical Educators. The following domains are included in the appraisal form:

- 1. Ensuring safe and effective patient care through training
- 2. Establishing and maintaining an environment for learning
- 3. Teaching and facilitating learning
- 4. Enhancing learning through assessment
- 5. Supporting and monitoring educational progress
- 6. Guiding personal and professional development
- 7. Continuing professional development as an educator

## **Blood Transfusion eLearning Course**

Working alongside the Trust's transfusion practitioner, we've developed a new video-based blood transfusion e-learning course that streamlines the delivery of training to 5<sup>th</sup> year medical students, as well as providing crucial mandatory training for medical professionals within the Trust.

The course is accessible via the Online Learning Platform under the Clinical Skills Education section.



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## **RGUC Brochure 2018**

A new edition of the RGUC brochure has been released for 2018. Copies of the brochure can be found around the Undergraduate Centre.

Boasting a futuristic design, the new brochure showcases teaching resources and innovative projects, produced by RGUC to enhance the medical students' experience whilst they are on placement at The Dudley Group.



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