



The Healthy Child Programme e-learning project is supported by a consortium of professional bodies led by the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH).

The resource is designed to support the Healthy Child Programme – Pregnancy and the first five years of life (HCP -formerly the Child Health Promotion Programme, CHPP). It has been created in collaboration with the Department of Health and the e-Learning for Healthcare programme.

The HCP focuses on the health and wellbeing of children in the early stages of life from pregnancy through to the first five years.

Combining expertise from a range of professions, the HCP aims to provide preventative services tailored to the individual needs of children and families and acts as a best practice guide for children's services.

Based on a model of progressive universalism, the HCP seeks to provide for all children, with additional services for children and families with particular needs and risks. The programme focuses on public health priorities such as obesity, breastfeeding and social and emotional development.

The e-learning project is made up of 76 e-learning sessions spread across 12 modules which are freely available to NHS staff in the UK. Each learning session will take approximately 20 to 30 minutes to complete.

The completed e-learning resource forms part of a blended learning solution to ensure that professionals acquire and maintain the skills needed to promote the health and wellbeing of young children and pregnant mothers.

The resource will be designed to support the range of healthcare professionals involved in the HCP. These include health visitors, nurses, midwives, general practitioners, paediatricians and obstetricians, dieticians, and speech and language therapists.

The Healthy Child Programme curriculum includes the following modules and topics:

- Healthy Child Programme Basics
- Communication, Record Keeping and Inter-professional Working
- Family Health
- Safeguarding
- Positive Parenting and Parenting Issues
- Development and Behaviour
- Speech, Language and Communication Needs
- Growth and Nutrition
- Immunisation
- Health Promotion
- Screening
- Health Visiting Model of Practice

The course is now available to all user groups via the e-Learning for Healthcare LMS or through the National Learning Management System (NLMS) depending upon your working role and employer. Please visit the registration page for more guidance.

For further information on this project and the Healthy Child Programme please visit the following links:

http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/@dh/@en/@ps/documents/digitalasset/dh_118525.pdf

www.rcpch.ac.uk/hcp