

European Certificate in Essential Palliative Care (ECEPC)

8-week home learning course

All you need to know to build specialist knowledge and skills

Assessment involves:

Portfolio: Based on a patient the candidate has cared for with palliative care needs, the 2,500 word portfolio should include the effect it has on both a personal and professional level. It should be supported by literature and demonstrate how the learning will influence future care.

Exam: There will be a one-hour examination, which will include short true / false questions covering the principles of palliative care explored in the Course Handbook. It will also include four questions on common opioid dose conversions.

Practical / verbal (Viva): This is a short verbal assessment exploring the knowledge and skills developed

What support will I receive?

- Candidates will receive the Course Handbook containing the core text material
- Access to the Princess Alice Hospice virtual learning www.learningzone.pah.org.uk
- Each candidate will be allocated an experienced facilitator in specialist palliative care who will be available on email or telephone.

Where does the course run?

The course is co-ordinated by Princess Alice Hospice in Esher. It is also run at; Aberdeen, Berkhamsted, Birmingham, Eire, Jersey, Kent, Leeds, Leicester, Malta, Northern Ireland, North London and Shrewsbury. Please note that (virtual) attendance on assessment day is mandatory.

What else do I need to know?

The course runs twice a year – Spring and Autumn. The fee is £475. Contact: europeancertificate@pah.org.uk for more information

Suitable for medical and nursing staff, paramedics, allied health professionals including nursing and physician associates from acute, community and hospice settings.