

## Future specialist practice qualifications (SPQs): community mental health nursing

Tuesday 11 May 2021, 9.30-10.30 am

Please note: for GDPR purposes we are unable to attribute comments to named individuals however the original chatbox comments and questions that were posed during the webinar remain unchanged. Our responses have been added in green italic font.

Time Asked	Question Asked
09:30:54 AM BST	Thank you <i>Response: Welcome. Thank you for joining us.</i>
09:39:07 AM BST	Lithuania <i>Response: Welcome and thank you for joining us.</i>
09:39:07 AM BST	Guernsey <i>Response: Welcome and thank you for joining us.</i>
09:40:09 AM BST	Professional body & trade union <i>Response: Welcome and thank you for joining us.</i>
09:40:18 AM BST	Royal College of Nursing <i>Response: Welcome and thank you for joining us.</i>
09:40:27 AM BST	Hi
09:42:56 AM BST	we are all MH students <i>Response: Welcome and thank you for joining us.</i>
09:43:13 AM BST	I am here as an educationalist. I have a doctorate and registered nurse adult qualification <i>Response: great to have you with us today.</i>
10:20:23 AM BST	Do we know why the numbers of CMHN's has declined since 2017? <i>Response: The numbers we presented reflect a decline of those nurses who have an NMC approved SPQ in community mental health nursing, not all community mental health nurses or nurses who work in the community. There are several factors that influence the SPQ community mental health nursing numbers, availability of course funding, employer choice, and student demand. Lower demand/uptake of courses leads to fewer courses available locally that professionals can access.</i>

10:21:48 AM BST	<p>as student MH nurses we are thinkking of doing the integrated MSc and gaining dual qualification, will SPQ be relevant? thanks Wayne</p> <p><i>Response: Hello. There are many course options available to you which is great for your future nursing career. A specialist practice qualification (SPQ) can also be achieved as part of a master's qualification – this is already possible. On successful completion individuals can record their SPQ to their individual registration details on the NMC register. We know <a href="#">from our evaluation</a> that the SPQ helps students strengthen their practice making them confident enough to lead teams and services.</i></p>
10:22:01 AM BST	<p>Is it possible to know what percentage of the CMHT workforce is now a CMHN with the a SPQ?</p> <p><i>Response: We do not have that figure because we don't have data on exactly how many nurses are working in community mental health services. What we do know is that as of September 2020 we had 91,215 mental health nurses on the register and there are 1,202 SPQ community mental health nurses on our register (about 1.3%).</i></p>
10:22:36 AM BST	<p>How many people have joined today's call? Usefull to know the interest in the subject and also relate that to the % responses in todays polls.</p> <p><i>Response: We had 20 attendees for the webinar.</i></p>
10:26:55 AM BST	<p>thanks Owen that's really helpful</p> <p><i>Response: You are welcome.</i></p>
10:36:39 AM BST	<p>Can you please advertise the consultation so that CMHNS know it is happening</p> <p><i>Response: Thank you, we have been publicising upcoming webinars via our NMC Twitter account and also in external meetings with stakeholders and will continue to do so. Please could we request that you share information about <a href="#">upcoming engagements</a>, published on our website, with your colleagues and communities. Recordings of <a href="#">previous webinars</a> and slides presented are also available for catching up.</i></p>