



## ***Quality Training in SRH***

### **Outputs from Phase 1 of the project**

**September 2012 – March 2013**

#### **Context**

In early 2012 the FSRH (Faculty of Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare) published the recommendations of the [Peile Report](#), an external independent evaluation of the DFSRH (diploma of the FSRH) and LoC SDI and IUT (Letters of Competence in Subdermal Implants and Intrauterine Techniques). The recommendations of this report form the basis for the further development of these elements of FSRH training in a project called *Quality Training in SRH*.

In September 2012 MEDFASH was appointed by the FSRH to manage the project. MEDFASH established a multi-disciplinary and cross-specialty Project Working Group (PWG) which included a range of clinicians from the FSRH, Royal College of General Practitioners, British Association for Sexual Health and HIV and nurses working in Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH).

#### **Initial areas of work**

##### **1. Review existing SRH training programmes**

Including those offered by the FSRH, RCGP and BASHH to identify areas of overlap.

##### **2. Modularisation**

Identify potential modular pathways for the DFSRH and LoC IUT and SDI.

##### **3. Review the entry requirements of the DFSRH and LoCs**

In order to recognise prior knowledge and learning and potentially obviate full completion of the e-SRH.

##### **4. LoC SDI and IUT**

Identify potential pathways of training for GPs and nurses wishing to access specialist training in this area without already holding the DFSRH.

##### **5. Nurse training**

Make recommendations to the FSRH Council re access to diploma level training.

# Summary of outputs from Phase 1

## 1. Review existing SRH training programmes

A number of potential resources for learners already exist in the area of SRH including the e-SRH, the e-GP, the RCGP ICSH, BASHH STIF training and the e-STI-HIV. In view of this, and the likelihood that people accessing the DFSRH will have already undertaken components of these, the PWG recommended to FSRH Council that full completion of the e-SRH no longer be a compulsory part of the DRSRH but that the e-SRH be maintained as an option for learners with its content reflecting the DFSRH syllabus.

## 2. Modularisation

Options for the following modularised pathways have been mapped and modified by the PWG:

- Emergency Contraception
- Contraception
- Sexually Transmitted Infections
- LoC SDI
- LoC IUT
- Option of developing others

## 3. Knowledge Assessment

In line with requests from FSRH trainers that a formal assessment of knowledge be developed, the PWG made recommendations to FSRH Council that an 'assessment of knowledge test' (AKT) be a compulsory entry component of the modularised DFSRH and LoC pathways. The FSRH General Training Committee fully endorsed this recommendation.

## 4. LoCs

Modularised LoC pathways have been mapped and agreed with the RCGP representatives on the PWG, with the entry requirement being successful completion of the contraception AKT.

## 5. Nurse qualification in SRH

The PWG recommended to FSRH Council that development of an FSRH qualification in SRH based on the DFSRH should be made available for nurses. The FSRH has issued a statement of intent on its website.

## Phase 2

In view of the significant progress achieved by the end of Phase 1, it was agreed that in-house management of the next phase by the FSRH would be possible. MEDFASH therefore handed over the project management role to the FSRH in April 2013 and will not be involved in Phase 2.