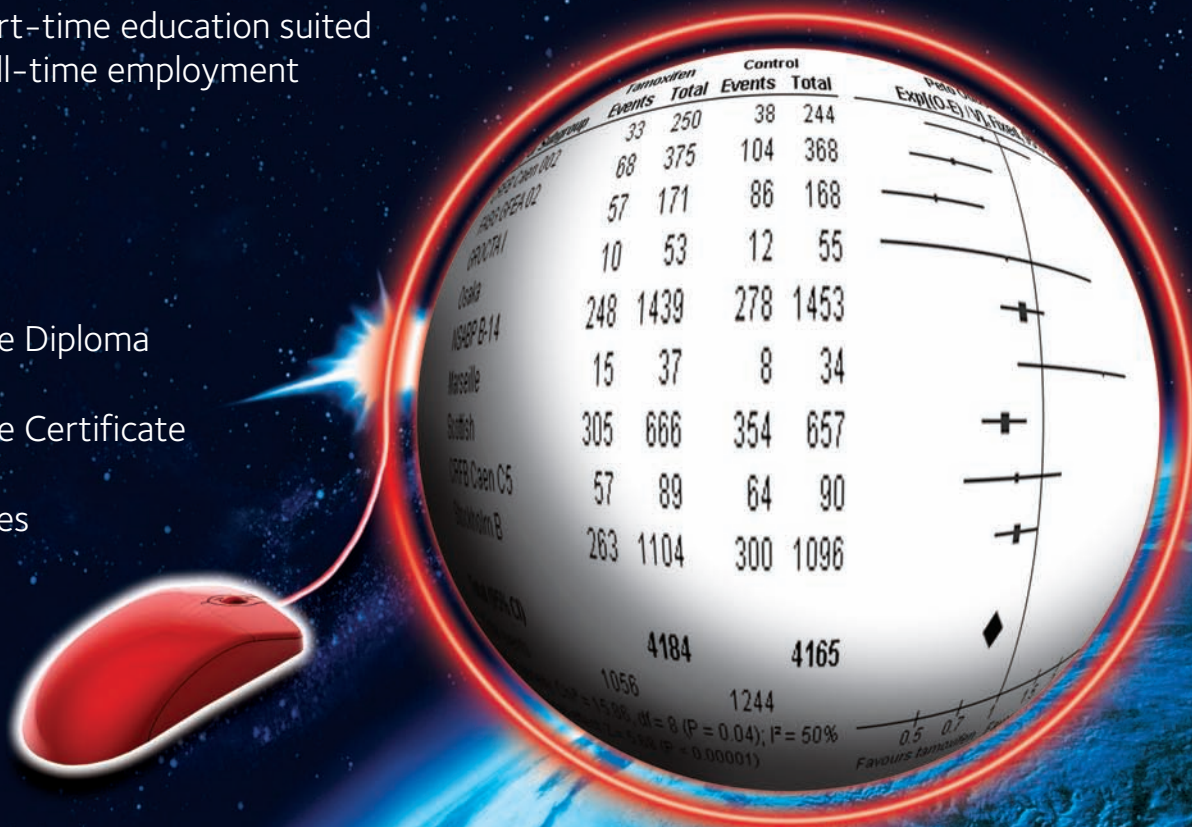


INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME IN EVIDENCE-BASED HEALTH CARE

Advanced, part-time education suited
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The Programme draws on the world-class research and teaching in evidence-based health care and medicine at the University of Oxford. It offers a unique opportunity to learn from leading international practitioners of evidence-based health care and gain an understanding of the principles that underpin health research and its translation into good clinical practice.

The flexible structure of the Programme is designed to provide maximum student choice and training that can be adapted to very different work environments. The modules can be taken individually as short courses or students may obtain a Postgraduate Certificate, a Postgraduate Diploma or an MSc in Evidence-Based Health Care. Students can take any number of modules they wish in a year so that a master's degree can be obtained in as little as one year (suited to those who are able to take a year to study full-time) or over two to four years (an approach that we have found suits professionals in full-time employment). A research project constitutes one-third of the course requirements for the MSc.

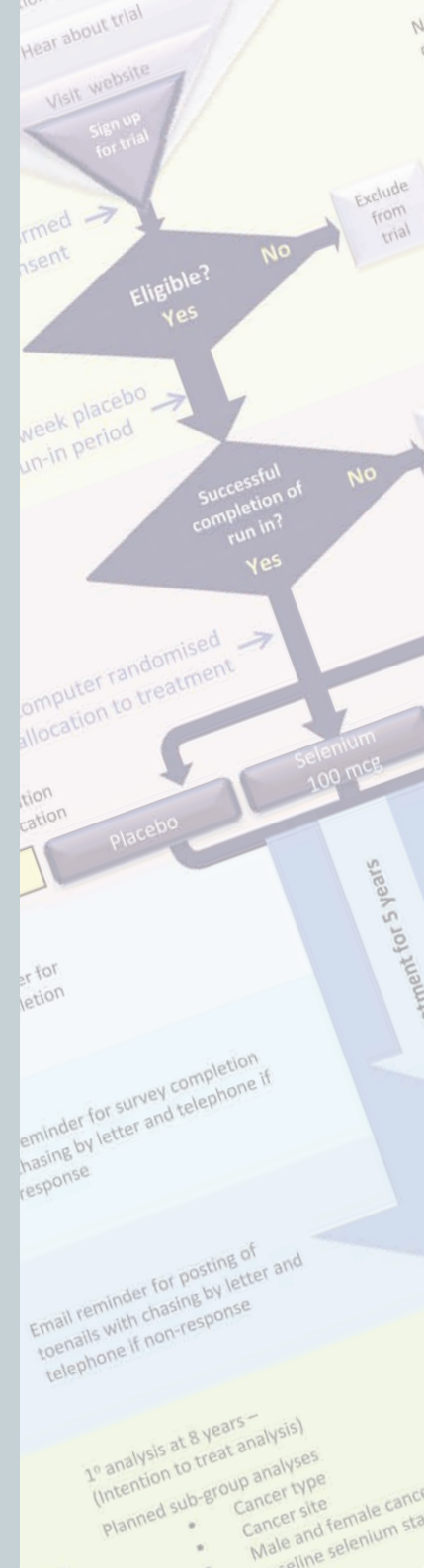
Among other benefits, graduates of the Programme will gain an in-depth understanding, within relevant ethical frameworks, of quantitative and qualitative aspects of evidence-based research and practice, and the ability to communicate and provide leadership in these areas.

Part-time taught options may include:

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- Postgraduate Diploma
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Part-time research:

DPhil in Evidence-Based Health Care: this part-time DPhil (PhD) normally requires a minimum of six years' part-time study, although this can be reduced to four years part-time if the applicant has successfully completed the MSc in Evidence-Based Health Care. The project for a DPhil in Evidence-Based Health Care will have a significant focus on issues related to evidence-based practice.



MSc IN EVIDENCE-BASED HEALTH CARE

The MSc is delivered via taught modules plus a research project, which builds on material studied in the taught modules, and an associated dissertation. Six taught modules are undertaken of which the following two are normally compulsory:

- The Practice of Evidence-Based Health Care
- Introduction to Study Design and Research Methods

Elective modules include:*

- Evidence-Based Change
- Evidence-Based Diagnosis and Screening
- Clinical Epidemiology and Decision Making (Evidence in Practice)
- Systematic Reviews
- Randomized Controlled Trials
- Statistics for Health Researchers
- Further Practical Statistics
- Patient-Based Evidence
- Ethics in Health Care
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Evidence-Based Dentistry
- How to Teach Evidence-Based Medicine

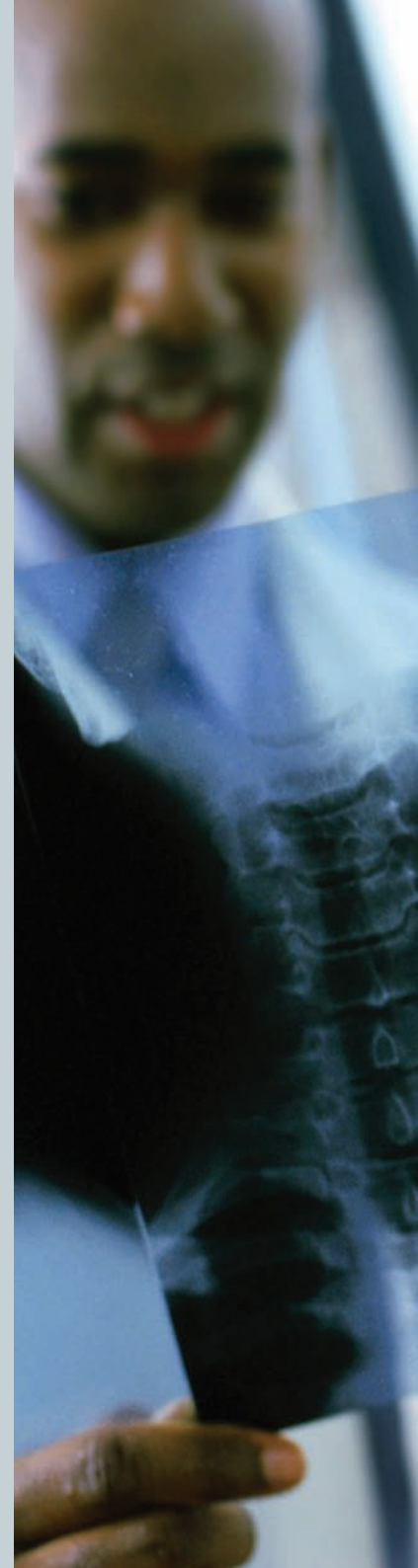
* Modules are subject to regular revision and updating and additional modules in specific evidence-based subspecialties are planned.

Postgraduate Certificate and Diploma

The part-time Postgraduate Diploma comprises six taught modules; the part-time Postgraduate Certificate comprises three taught modules.

Short Courses

Modules from the MSc may be taken independently as stand-alone short courses. Admission to some of the elective modules requires the prior successful completion of the compulsory modules.



EVIDENCE-BASED HEALTH CARE AND MEDICINE IN OXFORD

The University of Oxford has a long-established international reputation for excellence in evidence-based health care and medicine. The Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine was originally established by Professor Sir Muir Gray and Professor Dave Sackett in 1992 and the International Programme in Evidence-Based Health Care is delivered collaboratively by this Centre, based in the Department of Primary Health Care and the Department for Continuing Education at the University of Oxford.

The Programme is led by Dr Amanda Burls with the support of internationally-recognized leaders in the field of evidence-based practice and teaching, such as Professor Paul Glasziou, Professor Mike Clarke, Professor Sir Muir Gray, Dr Carl Heneghan and Dr Rafael Perera.

Dr Burls is a Senior Fellow of the Oxford Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine and a Senior Clinical Researcher in the Department of Primary Health Care. Her current research interests include helping members of the public to understand health information, to make their own health decisions and positioning the public at the heart of the health research agenda. Dr Burls founded the West Midlands Health Technology Assessment Collaboration and was its Director for ten years, prior to which she was Director of the Critical Appraisal Skills Programme (CASP) and one of the founders of the CASP International Network.

The Department of Primary Health Care's research focus is on the prevention, early diagnosis and management of common illness in general practice - particularly childhood infection, cancer, heart disease, stroke and chronic diseases. The Department hosts the Oxford Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine, which has a research focus on the implementation of evidence-based practice and specific disease-related issues. The Department for Continuing Education has a long and successful record of providing part-time professional development designed to meet the needs of practitioners, in the health and medical sciences as well as many other subject areas.

For further information and how to apply, please visit www.conted.ox.ac.uk/cpd/ebhc or email cpdhealth@conted.ox.ac.uk



IS THE PROGRAMME FOR YOU?

The importance of an evidence-based approach to research and practice is increasingly recognized by the health-care community, and the Programme has been designed in consultation with key stakeholders to meet their needs.

The aim of the Programme is to give an in-depth understanding of the evidence-based approach to research and practice and the skills to translate this into the effective care of patients and health-care policies.

The Programme is aimed at individuals, based in the UK and overseas, wanting to learn about clinical research and evidence-based research and practice. Applicants should have academic qualifications in a relevant discipline or equivalent demonstrable professional training and experience of working for two or more years in the health service or a health-related field. Applications are expected from a diverse range of professions within the health-care community, for example from doctors, specialist trainees, specialist registrars, clinical researchers, nurses, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, midwives, health-care managers and policy makers, health information specialists, knowledge managers, medical journalists and graduates in the pharmaceutical and health-related industries.

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