

Doctor of Clinical Psychology (DClin Psy) – University of Sheffield

CLINICAL PRACTICE SUB-COMMITTEE

Terms of Reference

This sub-committee of the Sheffield Programme Training Committee comprises Clinical and Academic Tutors from the University of Sheffield, trainees and supervisors. Its remit is to review, monitor and oversee aspects of training linked to clinical practice and to consider the needs of supervisors and other stakeholders represented by the Clinical Practice Sub-Committee. It meets quarterly and reports to the Programme Training Committee.

The primary functions of the Clinical Practice Sub-Committee are:

- 1) To develop, implement, monitor and evaluate the programme policy in relation to clinical practice in consultation with supervisors, trainees, programme staff and other stakeholders as appropriate.
- 2) To provide a forum for consideration of, and responsiveness to, the interface between the requirements of the programme and those of the NHS and supervisors, emphasising the quality of supervision on placements and the evaluation of clinical competence.
- 3) To oversee the implementation and review of policy and practice arising from national initiatives e.g. BPS accreditation and CTCP.
- 4) To report to the PTC on matters associated with clinical practice.
- 5) To facilitate the development of a dialogue about supervision and clinical practice between supervisors and the programme.
- 6) To act as an advocate for the importance of supervision and training at all levels to departments, Trusts and commissioners.
- 7) To facilitate the development of placements, lobbying on behalf of trainees and supervisors where necessary.
- 8) To develop and implement policy related to the professional development of supervisors in relation to the process of supervision and placements, and to maintain a focus on the practice of supervision in a broader context (e.g. supervision for supervisors).
- 9) To carry out its tasks with a view to maintaining appropriate standards of professional practice for the benefit of service users, trainees, supervisors and the profession of clinical psychology.

Membership and Meetings

- 1) The membership of the committee will be nominated Clinical Tutors from the University of Sheffield, a member of academic staff, two representatives from each trainee year group and a minimum of four local supervisors. Other members may be co-opted or in other ways invited to contribute on the basis of interest and expertise. The committee will utilise service user views wherever appropriate.
- 2) The committee will meet twice a year.
- 3) The committee will be accountable to the Sheffield Programme Training Committee.
- 4) Minutes of the committee's proceedings will be circulated to the Sheffield PTC.

If you would like to join this committee, please contact Rachel Hill, Placement Administrator, email: Rachel.hill@sheffield.ac.uk, tel: 0114 2226573