**ADVANCING PRACTICE (‘AP’) – INFORMATION FOR PCNs / PRIMARY CARE IN DEVON**

**What is an AP?**

* A clinician with a verified portfolio of evidence at a Masters level of practice across all four pillars of practice (Leadership, Clinical, Education and Research) who has a minimum of 5 years post graduate experience.
* All four pillars of practice are integral and influence every intervention.
* They are multi-professional, cross organisational and cross boundary clinicians.
* They provide multi-professional supervison.
* AfC Band 8a.

**Advanced Practitioner (‘AP’)**

**Support for staff wishing to progress from FCP to ACP level** [**FCP - ACP draft.docx**](FCP%20-%20ACP%20draft.docx)

**What is an FCP?**

* A diagnostic clinician in primary care working at masters level with undiagnosed and undifferentiated diagnoses managing complexity and uncertainty at the first point of contact who has a minimum of 5 years post graduate experience.
* First Contact Practice sits in the transition between Enhanced and Advanced practice.
* AfC Band 7 (or 6 for trainee Paramedics).

**First Contact Practitioner (‘FCP’)**

[**National Guidance**](https://www.hee.nhs.uk/our-work/advancing-practice/reports-publications)

**Case Studies**

[CS1](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cIMm727pDK0)

[CS2](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HHajsh6p3x4)

**How can these roles be implemented in Primary Care?**

**Local HEI Education Providers**

[ACP and FCP uni courses.docx](ACP%20and%20FCP%20uni%20courses.docx)

**Support & Supervision for AP Staff**

- Local forums for AP

-PCN Education leads and AP leads

- 1:1 advice and signposting via training hub

- Study skills groups for portfolio development

**Funding (ARRS)**

[BMA](https://www.bma.org.uk/advice-and-support/gp-practices/primary-care-networks/primary-care-network-funding)

[NHS England](https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/des-guidance-2020-21/)

**Support, Guidance & Contacts for PCNs**

Devon Training Hub

HEE

**Staff Providers**

UHP

Livewell SW

Torbay & South Devon NHST

RD&E

SWAST

Private providers

National Guidance

Roadmaps to practice (in AHP folder)

<https://www.hee.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/multi-professionalframeworkforadvancedclinicalpracticeinengland.pdf> Multi Professional framework for advanced clinical practice

Advanced Practice Toolkit <https://www.e-lfh.org.uk/programmes/advanced-practice-toolkit/>

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<https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/des-guidance-2020-21/> NHS England

**Staff Providers** – UHP, Livewell, Torbay & South Devon NHST, RD&E, SWAST, Private providers

**Case studies & videos**  – More updates soon!

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cIMm727pDK0> -An Introduction to Advanced Clinical Practice (Beverley Harden)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HHajsh6p3x4> Primary Care (2016)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZB5HFNUYOT0> Dietitian

**Support and supervision** – Local forums, 1:1 advice and signposting via the training hub, study skills groups for Portfolio development

<https://www.hee.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Workplace%20Supervision%20for%20ACPs.pdf> Workplace Supervision for Advanced Clinical Practice: An integrated multi-professional approach for practitioner development

HEIs for taught routes info

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