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Problem: Not Enough Qualified OH Nurses

- In 2018, Paul and Abi discussed that OH Nurses & Advisers were like "hen's teeth".
- Qualifications are important however, we had both found that, in OH, the person is more important than the qualification.
- The Glass Ceiling the OH industry is desperate for OH qualified nurses, but it is really hard for a qualified nurse to get an opportunity in OH.



01 Work-Life balance

Qualified nurses are frequently balancing family life and can be restricted geographically.

The Catch 22

Nurses described that they couldn't get into OH without training and experience, but were unable to get into training without having a job.

02 Need Experience

OH nurses need experience but cannot afford to work for free.

04 OH Qualifications

OH qualifications are expensive and a huge time investment, getting a place on a course without an OH job is difficult.

• Many nurses would love a career in OH, but they don't all want to do a degree-level qualification.

Problems Analysed







The Solution





OH Nurse Training

Providing practical OH nurse training within the job

- Smaller Organisation
- Person Centred: delivered at the clinic or near their base



Geographical Areas

Identify geographical areas where we needed nurse clinics

We found 4 areas: Weston-super-Mare, Reading, Brighton and Norwich.



Breakdown

Breakdown what OH services they needed training in and who could deliver the training.





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Training Programme

Qualified nurses needed clinical training and organisational training.



Clinical

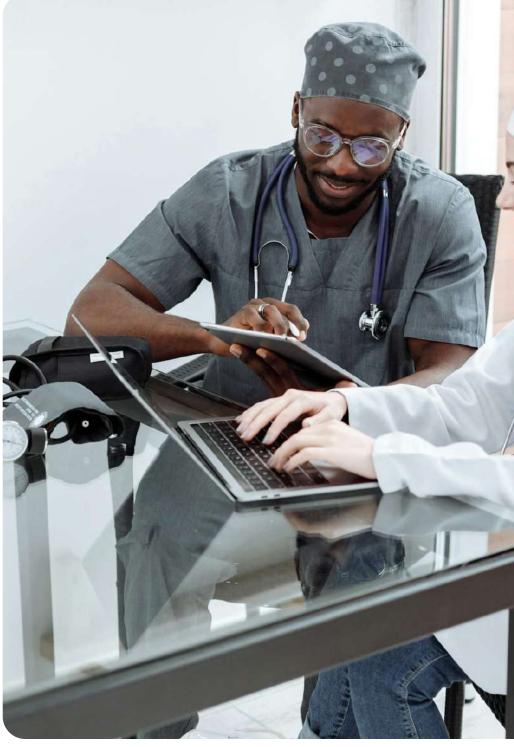
Immunisations, phlebotomy, audiometry, spirometry, NSI, pre-employment and management referrals.



Organisational

Using the system, integrating into Heales, learning what HR and managers expect from OH reports.







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Clinical Training



What face-to-face clinics were needed, back-filling with remote OH Services

- Weston-Super-Mare
- Reading
- Norwich
- Brighton



Identifying the individual training needs for each nurse



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Organisational Training



Report Writing

Good feedback does not just come from clinical people.



Target Audience

HR are our target audience.



Understanding HR advice

What advice does HR want and not want?



HR being part of the training was key:

Give nurses this at the start of their OH training





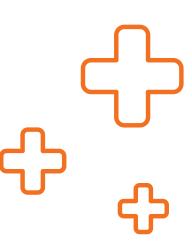


Where are we now?

- We have developed training programmes for each OH Service. These have evolved with feedback.
- Developed a training matrix for the team so we know who can deliver which service.
- Since the original 4, we have put approximately another 20 nurses through the programme.
- Some do want to do the course and some don't, so we pathway for both.



What's Next?





- Developing the programme into a training platform
- Looking at accreditation with our training and development team which is a new department in Heales
- Aim: to have practical OH nurses in the industry who can undertake clinics confidently



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