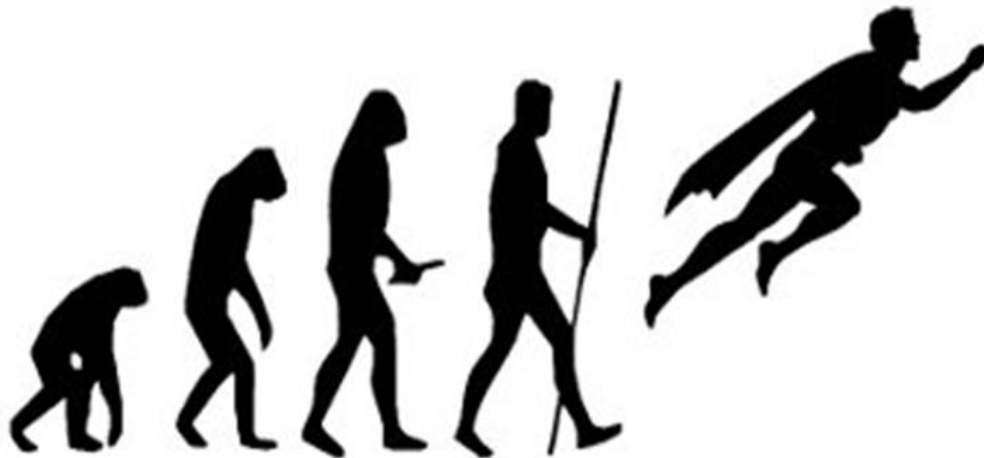


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# The role of the HIV Clinical Support Nurse in an Outpatient Setting

The first year of an evolving role.

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- Newly designed role for the Service
- Role to be adapted according the needs of the patient and Multi Disciplinary Team
- New learning process for myself
- Utilise use of previous Sexual Health experience.
- Initially aimed at providing support for the HIV Clinical Nurse Specialist Team.

## What did I already have to offer the service ?

- Good background knowledge of HIV, testing etc. Need for PN and child testing.
- GUM experience. Contraception and cytology experienced in HIV Positive individual's
- Rapport with existing patient's I had met through the sexual health service.
- Awareness of the complexities of living with HIV and the challenges it may bring.

# Settling into the role 6 months on ....

- On-going learning process.
- Finding my place within the service.
- Cross over of skills – how much or little would I need to use from previous sexual health background?
- How can my role be expanded ?
- Attendance of NHIVNA 2016. Involved in teaching sessions for external services.

# Settling into the role 6 months on

- Involvement in education pathway for Student Nurses/Band 5 Nurses on rotation from the ward environment.
- Better understanding of socio-economic, psychological and general barriers to attending HIV Services.
- Better awareness of referral pathways i.e. drug services, mental health services and supporting individuals to access these.

# Currently .....

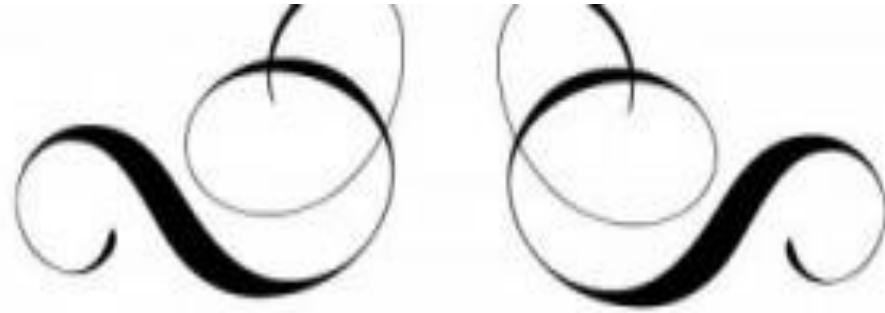
- Still on-going learning process but working within boundaries.
- Educationally well supported i.e. NHIVNA Conferences and resistance work shops etc.
- Involvement with NHIVNA Core Competencies Pilot.
- Established patient case load.
- More involvement with complex patients.



# The future .....

- Uncertainty with Trust merger – what does this mean for my role within the service ?
- Ultimately end goal is career progression to Band 7.
- Completion of NHIVNA Core Competencies.
- Continue to support HIV Service and patient's through change.





*Thank You*

