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Executive leadership in health (including responsible leadership) 771 (LHE 771)

Qualification Postgraduate

Faculty Faculty of Health Sciences

Module credits 10.00

Programmes PGDip Health Systems Management Executive Leadership

Language of tuition Module is presented in English

Academic organisation Public Health Medicine

Period of presentation Year

Module content

The application of the principles of Executive Leadership in the health sector will be examined with focus on several modalities of leadership including meta-leadership with a focus on examining why its application by health leaders are met with so much difficulty. The challenges which prevail in the pilot districts for the National Health Insurance will be analysed. Participants will be expected to do precourse reading in preparation for the module as well as a postmodule assignment which may include the writing up and development of a strategic plan with a focus on executive leadership principles. Application of responsible leadership strategies in to the public health sector. The focus on contemporary views of responsible leadership in South Africa and measures to redress the shortcomings in taking responsibility and being accountable for your actions. What is the vision for responsible leadership on the horizon in the next 5 to 15 years and how can a health manager reposition his/her thinking to meet the demands and the role they are to play in the new NHI funded system in the position they presently occupy. What does it mean to lead in a responsible manner be it at district, provincial or national level. This will include the call for courageous scholarship and strategies to lead collectively in a responsible manner.

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