



Postgraduate Diploma in Health Economics

Given that progress towards universal health systems is topping the global health agenda these days, the aim of this diploma is to develop a better understanding of strategic purchasing of health care services with the emphasis on economic evaluation, a core skill which determines how to conduct strategic purchasing.

Applications are invited for this diploma commencing in February 2018, which runs over two years on a part-time basis. This is a mixed mode diploma with a two week contact session offered annually which gives learners the opportunity to interact with their fellow learners and tutors, and to broaden skills by engaging in "real-life" case studies. The course is designed for graduates in social or health services, and is aimed primarily at full time employees of governments (Ministries of Health and Finance), health insurance schemes, and international organisations.

The following courses are offered: • introduction to health economics • the economics of health systems • priority settings and health care decision making • strategic purchasing • strategic purchasing – influencing providers and strengthening progress to universal coverage.

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