

Allied Health Clinical Schools Intranet Site Development

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1. Concept

- Initial idea is to provide a resource, accessible to anyone within the WDHB area supporting dietetic students
- An area where all dietetic student related information is collated with easy access
- Be interact and easy to use for everyone
- Make supervising students easier by have all relevant information available at the touch of a button and in one central location

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2. Trainings

- Conceptual design meeting with a colleague with website design experience
- Expert guidance on the preferred layouts, techniques and tips for creating an intranet site
- One-to-one training received on creating an intranet site at WDHB
- Site creation and development, working within the scope of our system to create an aesthetically pleasing layout

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3. Demonstration

- One-to-one coaching with a colleague on how to use the intranet site and how to access information
- Live demonstration with that colleague to the dietetic department to demonstrate how to use the site
- Presentation to Clinical Centre Leaders to discuss the use within dietetics and how the site could be utilised within other professions
- Feedback gathered from dietitians

Background

New Zealand has three Universities delivering a Master's Degree in Dietetics.

Waitemata District Health Board currently support students from two of these Universities and plans to support all three by June 2016.

Each University has their own unique dietetic programme, they each have different requirements and expectations for students while on placement, they each have their own documentation and each University provides support for their students while on placement in a different way.

The dietetic clinical placements overlap throughout the year. Dietitians supporting dietetic students on clinical placements at WDHB are often left confused and encounter numerous issues as a result. The aim of the Intranet site is aimed to simplify the clinical placements for everyone involved and to help ensure WDHB provides the highest quality placement possible.



Figure 1. Homepage of the intranet



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4. Adaptation

- Feedback was received and some adjustments to the layout and content were made
- Documentation will require updating annually to ensure the information is current and relevant
- A knowledge deficit was highlighted in terms of clinicians confidence for student supervision and additional information was added to build knowledge and confidence for those supervising

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5. Delivery

- Role out for Dietitians due March 2016
- Scope for use within all Allied Health professions to use this as a central location for clinicians to access student related information
- Scope for use as a central location for all training materials used within the clinical schools for student supervisory skills training programmes

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6. Evaluation

- Evaluating the site after 6 months will help to determine whether the user feels the site is useful and easy to use
- Additional amendment can be made during this time as required
- Following feedback from the dietitians, confirmation was provided that student feedback forms would remain confidential and accessible only by dietitians at WDHB to ensure student confidentiality