

Adult Community Learning – April 2020 update

These are challenging times for everyone and we appreciate all the work you have and are doing to ensure learners are supported. Please do contact a member of the Hampshire Achieves team if you need any kind of additional support and or information. We will do our best to keep you abreast of any changes and updates as they are announced that relate to adult community learning.

Virtual Learning:

Many of you may be considering how to reach and support learners with the current working remotely situation.


To help with this we have added information to our [VLE pages](#) with links to useful resources for creating on-line learning content.

In addition you might be interested in resources and webinars from [Education and Training Foundation](#).

Digital Skills:

We believe there will be an increased focus on providing adults with the digital skills that they will need the [Education and Training Foundation](#) offer a range of short modules to help tutors to gain the digital skills that they need.

★ New webinars and online content




We have recently recorded a series of free, online webinars to support you if you are teaching students from your home. The four webinars, available through the ETF's booking system, are:

- **Delivery through a virtual classroom**
- **Adapting content quickly to deliver online**
- **Supporting learners in Virtual Learning Environments (VLEs)**
- **Engaging learners in VLEs**

Each webinar has supporting modules on the Enhance Digital Teaching Platform.

More information on the webinars and the supporting modules can be found [here](#).

★ Digital teaching practice: online modules



We provide training support for teachers and trainers in using educational technology (EdTech). The offer is hosted on our **Enhance Digital Teaching Platform** and is designed to help you develop and innovate your practice to engage learners and improve outcomes. The support is through two key ways:

- **How to use EdTech to teach:** For those wanting to learn how to develop your teaching practice using educational technology (EdTech), there are **online modules mapped to our Digital Teaching Professional Framework**.
- **How to develop your Essential Digital Skills:** For those wanting to develop their essential digital skills and prepare to teach courses for the new legal digital entitlement, **the online modules are mapped to the national standards**.

Adult Community Learning Newsletter

The [April edition](#) is now available and contains information The Adult Learning Theory - Andragogy - of Malcolm Knowles.

This week is also National Autism Week and there is information on how to support Autistic Learners at this time from National Autistic Society.

Domestic Abuse

There has been discussions and concerns in the media about a possible increase in domestic violence. Hampshire Domestic Abuse Partnership have collated some useful resources and links to support anyone in this situation. Please see the message from them below;

As I'm sure you are aware, domestic abuse is of increasing concern during the lockdown period of the current coronavirus crisis.

There has been lot of information circulated over the last week or so from a variety of agencies. We have tried to **collate that local information in one place** for ease of reference and so that we can keep you informed of all the most up to date information, advice and resources.

We have created a dedicated page on our existing website to host this information: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/hantsdomesticabuse/information-and-updates>

And links to this page have also been placed in a banner at the top of our usual homepage(<https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/domesticabuse>) , the pages for victims and perpetrators of abuse and also the professionals (HDAP) web page.

online HOLEX Spring Network event

You might be interested to watch a short interview with the Secretary of State for Education on ACL funding. Please read the SofS Letter Dec 2019 and Signed Response – Pat Carrington beforehand to give context (attached to e-mail)

Session 2 - SofS Video Response to Letters: Gavin Williamson - Secretary of State for Education

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/8433572349543613702>

Session 4 looks at digital skills and introduces the ETF digital skills modules.

Session 4 - Digital Entitlements: staff training - Angela Sanders – on behalf of ETF.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/5605738394222577676>

Link to EDS Self-assessment video - <https://youtu.be/Ix7Ql8cRmWU>

Emergency grant funding available

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Community Foundation (HIWCF) currently has two grant programmes available to help local groups and organisations tackle the coronavirus crisis in our local communities:

- **HIWCF 'We're All Together' Fund** – Emergency support for charities and community groups that are supporting vulnerable people during the current crisis
- **National Emergencies Trust (NET)** – Emergency support for organisations supporting local communities suffering hardship as a result of the coronavirus outbreak

For more information and to apply for a grant, please visit the HIWCF website
www.hiwcf.com/grants/

Thank you for all the hard work you are doing. Please do contact us if you need anything else.

Keep safe and well

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