

MARY  
SEACOLE  
PROGRAMME

# The Mary Seacole programme

## Frequently asked questions



# General

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## Is the programme accredited?

The programme is accredited by the NHS Leadership Academy. Successfully completing and passing the programme results in a NHS Leadership Academy Award in Healthcare Leadership. There is no academic accreditation.

## What evaluation is in place for the programme?

The programme is evaluated in three ways – in-programme evaluation completed via the Virtual Campus, evaluation sheets at the end of each workshop, and impact evaluation conducted separately after the programme ends.

## How do participants apply/register for the programme?

All participants must complete an online registration form through the [Academy's NHSx platform](#).

# Programme content & assessment

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## How long is the programme and what material does it cover?

The programme is six months in duration and includes 12 units: eight leadership units, and four flexible management units which can be accessed by participants at any point during the programme.

## What are the assessment criteria?

Participants are assessed in four areas. To successfully pass the programme, they must complete the online content, make meaningful contributions to all online discussion forums (this is deemed as two meaningful contributions per unit), complete and pass a 2,000-word written assignment, and attend all three face-to-face workshops.

## What is a “meaningful contribution”?

A meaningful contribution is a comment of five or more lines which adds to, reinforces, or challenges the current discussion. Comments such as “I agree” are not considered meaningful.

## How many contributions do I need to make to pass the programme?

You need to make at least two meaningful contributions per unit to pass the programme. There are 12 units of study and thus a minimum of 24 contributions.

## When will I receive the results of my written assignment?

Six weeks after your submission date.

## What happens if I fail the programme?

Participants are provided feedback on their final assignment and they are allowed one additional opportunity to re-submit the final assignment.

# Virtual campus

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## How do I access the programme?

Participants receive a URL to the Virtual Campus as part of their welcome packs and access the campus using an Academy ID number and password.

## Can I view all my e-journal posts in one place?

Not currently but we are looking into developing this function.

## How long do I have access to the Virtual Campus after the end of the programme?

Depending on whether you pass the written assignment or are asked to resubmit it, up to eight weeks after the end date.

## What is “grading status” on the comments section?

Please ignore this functionality – we do not grade your reflections or comments on the Mary Seacole programme.

## Are my reflections visible to everyone?

No, your e-journal reflections are personal to you.

## Who do I contact if I am experiencing technical difficulties on the Virtual Campus?

Please contact Masood Hussain at [support@leadershipacademy.nhs.uk](mailto:support@leadershipacademy.nhs.uk) or by telephone on 0113 322 5627.