



Case Study

BAPO Educator Network

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What made you decide to join the Educator Network?

I joined the Educator Network because I believe in the importance of fostering a strong community and sharing best practices among clinical educators. I saw the Network as a valuable platform for learning from experienced colleagues, accessing resources, and contributing to the ongoing development of P&O clinical education.

How do you envisage the Network that can support you as a clinical educator?

I envision the Network as a source of support and guidance. I believe it can provide access to mentorship opportunities, facilitate peer-to-peer learning through workshops and discussions, and offer valuable resources such as evidence-based teaching materials and best practices.

What do you enjoy about your role as a clinical educator?

I truly enjoy the opportunity to mentor and guide the next generation of P&O professionals. Witnessing their growth and development is incredibly rewarding. I also find the intellectual stimulation of engaging with learners and exploring new concepts in P&O together to be very fulfilling.

What would you say to others who are thinking of becoming a clinical educator?

I would encourage them to embrace the challenge! Clinical education is a rewarding career path that offers the opportunity to make a significant impact on the lives of others. It requires patience, dedication, and a passion for sharing knowledge.

What is the most rewarding aspect of the time you spend with learners?

Seeing learners "click" – that moment when they grasp a complex concept, develop new skills, and gain confidence in their abilities. It's incredibly rewarding to witness their growth and see them achieve their professional goals.

What do you learn by being a clinical educator?

Being a clinical educator is a continuous learning process. I learn from my learners every day – their questions, perspectives, and challenges constantly push me to refine my teaching methods and deepen my own understanding of P&O.

How do you see your role as a clinical educator evolving over the next 5 years?

Over the next 5 years, I see my role evolving towards a more integrated approach to education, incorporating technology and innovative teaching methods to enhance the learning experience. I also aim to become more involved in curriculum development and research in P&O education.

What excites you about P&O clinical education?

The dynamic and ever-evolving nature of P&O makes clinical education particularly exciting. It demands continuous adaptation and a commitment to lifelong learning. I am excited to be part of a field that is constantly pushing boundaries and striving for excellence.

If you could make just 1 change to how P&O clinical education is delivered what would that be?

If I could make one change, it would be to further integrate real-world experiences into the learning process. This could include more opportunities for learners to engage in authentic clinical placements, participate in simulation exercises, and collaborate on real-world P&O projects.

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