

**Faculty of Health and Wellbeing  
Radiotherapy, Oncology & Supportive Care**

**Radiotherapy in Practice 5/Advanced Practice 2 - joint conference**

The 5th Radiotherapy in Practice and 2nd Advanced Practice (Radiotherapy and Oncology) Conferences will be held in a joint event at Sheffield Hallam University in October 2010.

The Radiotherapy in Practice 5 Conference (RIP5) runs over three days - **Friday 8, Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 October 2010**. The Advanced Practice (Radiotherapy and Oncology) 2 Conference (AP2) runs on Saturday 9 October 2010.

**What is it about?**

The conference is aimed at all health care professionals and students practicing in the field of radiotherapy and oncology.

The conference will explore key issues relating to advanced practice, technological advancements and innovation in radiotherapy, service user involvement and workforce imperatives, CPD as well as the education, professional development and research activities of practitioners.

The overarching conference theme is '**Making It Happen**'.

**The RIP5 conference themes are**

- innovation in practice
- workforce development
- technical advances
- education and training
- research and audit
- service user involvement
- site specific focus - breast and prostate (this does not exclude submissions on other sites/diseases within the other themes above)

**The AP2 conference themes are**

- definition of and philosophical approaches to advanced practice
- sharing experience (internationally) of advanced practice roles and working
- education and training for advanced practice
- barriers and enablers for advanced practice
- managing and developing a service incorporating advanced practitioners

Abstracts of presented papers **and** posters will be published in the Journal of Radiotherapy in Practice.

### **Who is it for?**

This innovative and exciting conference is aimed at all health care professionals and students practising in the field of radiotherapy and oncology.

There will be the traditional Sheffield Hallam University conference blend of keynote addresses, proffered papers, interactive workshops, equipment manufacturer's presentations, conference debate, poster presentations, exhibition and social event.

### **Information for exhibitors**

We are delighted to offer you and your company or organisation the opportunity to participate in the conference exhibition at RIP5/AP2. We anticipate this will give those participating the opportunity to demonstrate their current activities and capabilities to around 300 delegates (UK and international).

The exhibition will be situated at the City Campus site (does not include the Friday 8 pre-conference symposium at the Collegiate Crescent site.) on Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 October 2010. It will be possible to set up conference exhibition stands from 4.00 pm on Friday 8 October 2010.

We are able to offer a range of display areas of approximately 4 x 1.5 metres per exhibitor (this will be confirmed following acceptance and registration for the conference). Space and preferred location is limited (the four previous conferences were oversubscribed) and therefore we would advise that you make your booking as soon as possible.

We are offering this opportunity at a total cost of £650.00.

Cost is inclusive of

- **one** exhibition space
- free registration for **one** member of your team for the weekend, including Saturday evening meal and social event
- following positive delegate feedback at RIP4, one of the sessions will again be an equipment manufacturer's update where manufacturers are able to present a paper (no more than 15 minutes duration) on technical advances/updates/initiatives from your company or organisation. Exhibiting guarantees you a slot in the programme.

Additional conference delegates can be registered at a cost of

- £290 for full conference attendance
- £145 for single day attendance

In addition, a new feature for 2010 will be a full colour conference handbook.

If you would like to purchase a whole page colour advert in the handbook, the following cost applies - £75 for full inside pages.

It is also possible to arrange for leaflets/promotional materials to be incorporated in conference bags for a cost of £75.

We are also inviting sponsorship for a number of items

- the social event
- best proffered paper
- best proffered poster
- conference refreshments and lunches (single day or both days)
- pre-conference dinner drinks in exhibition hall
- full colour conference handbook (which guarantees a back cover page advert and company logo on the front cover page)

For further information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact David Eddy on 0114 2252379 or [d.eddy@shu.ac.uk](mailto:d.eddy@shu.ac.uk)

To discuss your interest or any requirements for the exhibition please contact Jo Doughty (Exhibition Co-ordinator) on 0114 2254410 or [j.p.doughty@shu.ac.uk](mailto:j.p.doughty@shu.ac.uk)

## **What's new for 2010?**

### **1. Joint conference**

Previously the Radiotherapy in Practice and Advanced Practice conferences were hosted separately. For 2010 the Conference Organising Committee took the decision to host both conferences concurrently.

### **2. Publication of abstracts for proffered posters**

In addition to our usual facility of publishing the abstracts for proffered papers in the Journal of Radiotherapy in Practice, we are now extending this feature to include proffered poster abstracts also.

### **3. Full and complete access to conference and workshop presentations**

In response to extremely positive feedback from RIP4 and AP1, delegates will now be able to access conference and workshop presentations from both the RIP5 and AP2 conferences.

All conference presentations and resources will be shared with delegates immediately following the conference via a dedicated website (using pebblePAD - an interactive e-learning space).

### **4. Gaining Masters level academic credit for conference attendance**

This is an opportunity to gain Masters level credits through conference attendance as part of your CPD. We have developed a new and unique ***CPD Through Conference Participation (15C) module*** which will enable you to evidence learning gained through conference attendance as part of your planned professional development.

Within and alongside the conference there will be some integrated sessions for students enrolled on the MSc Radiotherapy and Oncology and MSc Advanced Practice (Radiotherapy and Oncology) courses.

**What should I do?**

We are seeking the submission of proffered papers and poster presentations for the conference. Abstracts can be submitted online and should relate to the conference themes.

You can also register online as a delegate or exhibitor.

The conference website is now open and includes a draft programme.

This will be updated regularly with news and new features:

<http://www.shu.ac.uk/radiotherapy/ripconference/index>

**If you have any queries, require further information or would like an informal discussion,  
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