MODULE DESCRIPTOR

MODULE TITLE	Financial Management and the Public Health Profession				
Module Code	44-7983-00S				
Level	7				
Credit Points	15				
Indicative Assessment Components & Percentage Weightings	Coursework 100%				
Pre-Requisite Modules (if applicable)	None				
Delivered according to Standard Academic Calendar	Long: 2 semesters	Short: 1 semester	Other delivery pattern:		
YES	NO	YES	None		

1 MODULE AIMS

These are the aims of the module are to:

- 1. enable you to draw upon a range of funding models in order to effectively manage budgets and spending in the public health sector;
- 2. highlight the importance of external funding bodies and the social welfare system in the financial management of public health and health policy; and
- 3. develop your ability to interpret the associated risk of, undertake audits of and evaluate financial strategies relating to public health management.

2 LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of the module you will be able to:

- 1. differentiate between various funding models relevant to the financial management of public health;
- 2. critically evaluate the public health and social welfare systems and how they articulate with the formation of policy in public health;
- 3. be able to work collaboratively to manage, analyse, interpret and communicate budgets and spending relating to public health;
- 4. apply financial strategies to enable the implementation of policies to improve public health and well-being;
- 5. critically analyse the role of funding bodies in public health management in the UK; and
- 6. competently undertake health related financial auditing and evaluation.

3 INDICATIVE LEARNING, TEACHING AND ASSESSMENT ACTIVITIES

The learning and teaching strategy is designed to promote a student centred approach to the acquisition of specialist knowledge through keynote lectures and seminars. Via structured assessment tasks students will be required to hone their understanding of financial management within the public health sector and will be required to practice using key skills relevant to their future careers.

The principles and concepts of financial management relevant to public health will be delivered through a mix of lectures and seminars and will be supported by open learning (detailed below).

Students are expected to participate in supported open learning throughout the module. Supported open learning includes the reading of key texts, journal articles and additional paper-based materials.

The module will make use of a range of materials. Typically, students will have access to:

- A module "booklet" containing the module outline, details of the programme of study, directed readings and assessments;
- ICT applications;

4 INDICATIVE MODULE CONTENTS / TOPICS

- 1. Public health funding models in the UK.
- 2. The social welfare system and public health policy.
- 3. Budgets and spending in the public health sector.
- 4. Funding bodies in the UK and how they actively support work in public health.
- 5. Financial risk management.
- 6. Financial auditing and evaluation.

FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THIS MODULE

- FURTHER / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT THIS MODULE, INCLUDING <u>ASSESSMENT CRITERIA</u> DETAILING HOW YOUR PERFORMANCE IN THE MODULE WILL BE MEASURED, HOW YOU WILL RECEIVE FEEDBACK, DETAILS OF LEARNING RESOURCES AND KEY READINGS
- THIS INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND IN:
 - Module Handbook
 - Module Blackboard site
- NOTE THAT THIS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE FROM YEAR TO YEAR