

# UCLMS QAEU NEWSLETTER

Quality Assurance and Enhancement Unit's new monthly newsletter so you can find out what is happening in QA and feedback at UCLMS! If you want to get more involved email us or your academic VP.

## SPOTLIGHT ON THE REPS: ASHVINI THAMILMARAN



North Middlesex Hospital has just opened its doors to the first-ever year 4 cohort of medical students from UCL and whilst there are obstacles in getting a new teaching programme set up - the staff and students have found it to be quite successful so far. Where there have been issues, we can work together to help tackle the problem.

As student representative for the CAB module, we found that our entire ENT placement was cancelled due to junior doctor strikes however, by liaising with NMH staff, and the staff at Barnet Hospital, we now have the opportunity to catch up with all the missed clinics and theatres at another time this year. Despite the chaos of new hospitals and strikes, the communication between staff and student representatives helps build a more effective programme for the future and improve our own learning!

By Ashvini Thamilmaran

## ASSESSMENT TASK AND FINISH GROUP

The Assessment and Feedback Unit (AFU) task and finish group is a group dedicated to collaboration between staff and students to improve and synthesise any assessment related student feedback with an overall goal of improving medical school assessments at UCLMS.

Over the past year, we have worked on improving feedback processes, such as ensuring the ASR ILOs relevant to each exam question are released alongside the marks and increasing transparency surrounding assessment at UCLMS by revamping the AFU Moodle page. Most recently the group has worked on releasing a document to clarify the purpose of formative assessments to students and student members of the group have peer-led a session for new Y1 students on how to receive formative feedback as an adult learner. T&F group meetings are held at least 1-2 times monthly during term time and is made up of AFU staff, Year 1, 2 and 3 student reps with a particular interest in all things assessment, and myself as the Academic VP (Y1-3).

We welcome Dr Nimesh Patel as our new Assessment lead and hope to continue our close work with staff in this aspect of education.

By Bianca Emmerich

Take 15 minutes to share your views

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**NEW TO UCL?**

Open to all new students  
Survey closes 17 December

## BMX SITE VISIT

On 06 December, the QAEU visited Barnet and North Middlesex hospitals to see how you are finding your placements there. It was great to hear that students are enjoying their time at both BMX sites and we are hugely thankful to all the staff and students that gave their time to make the day such a success.

## LEARN MORE ABOUT US AND HOW TO GET INVOLVED ON OUR WEBSITE

If you'd like to speak with us you can email [medsch.qaeu@ucl.ac.uk](mailto:medsch.qaeu@ucl.ac.uk), and you can submit a Report and Support (Y1-3) or Raising Concerns (Y4-6) form if you are concerned by something that has happened in the classroom or whilst on placement.

