

2011 Knowledge Transfer Scheme

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Title of research project: Reproductive care for HIV affected men and women: Improving knowledge and understanding among healthcare professionals in relation to the care needs of HIV affected women and their partners from reproductive decision-making to post natal care.

Abstract: HIV & Pregnancy - Prepared To Care is an eLearning resource which aims to prepare health care professionals to better understand the care needs of HIV affected women, and their partners from reproductive decision-making to post natal care. While the resource incorporates key medical information, an equally important focus, and the innovative feature of this project, is the way in which the qualitative findings of our study bring to life patient and partner experiences and what it means for nurses, midwives and doctors to be prepared to care for couples affected by HIV. Narrative scripts were written based on the original research interviews, with care taken to reflect the key themes from the research. Throughout the resource evidence based information and guidance on HIV management is presented alongside interviews with key healthcare professionals and the vignettes presented by actors. There are in total 26 video clips of 8 actors and 4 healthcare professionals. In addition, one of the HIV positive women, who was part of the consultation group, chose to tell her own story.

The resource is available at <http://www.qub.ac.uk/hivandpregnancy>