

Assistant Practitioners' Lunchtime Session 13.05- 13.50, Monday 9 July 2018

This session at Symposium Mammographicum 2018 is open to all delegates who would like to hear presentations from assistant practitioners, along with perspectives from managers and the Society of Radiographers.

It was noted at Symposium Mammographicum 2016 that mammography assistant practitioners would like to have a session dedicated to their career progression and scope of practice.

The Society of Radiographers is encouraging assistant practitioners through accreditation and the new Apprenticeship scheme. However, there remains a need for clarification around issues such as training, progression, qualifications and AfC bandings.

This session aims to provide a forum for discussion on AP issues.

Chairs: Mrs. Marilyn O'Connell; Mrs. Clare Borelli; Ms. Zebby Rees

- Band 4 - Assistant Practitioner scope of practice – *Rebecca Stevens, Dorset Breast Screening Unit, Poole NHS Foundation Trust*
- Band 5 – Assistant Practitioner scope of practice – *Joanne Essex, Ex Assistant Practitioner and now Programme Manager, UH Coventry and Warwick*
- A managers perspective on the positive advantages of assistant practitioners – *Nicola Ward Radiology Services Manager, Kings Lyn Hospital*
- Accreditation, apprenticeships and career pathways for assistant practitioners - *Sue Johnson, Society of Radiographers*
- Discussion – training pathways, workforce issues etc.

**Please note lunch will be provided
If you would like to attend please book a place in advance**