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What training and Continuing Professional Development courses have HB Rheumatology staff been sent on in order to improve their understanding and knowledge of lupus and in turn improve patient care?

Response:

As part of Hywel Dda University Health Board's (UHB) commitment to ongoing learning and development, staff are required to undertake continuous professional development (CPD). A part of the UHB's Rheumatology staff's CPD is keeping up to date with the British Society of Rheumatology (BSR) and European League Against Rheumatism (EULAR) guidelines on Lupus.

The UHB's Rheumatology medical staff attend annual All Wales Lupus audits and BSR meetings, which include talks on lupus and updates regarding BSR guidelines for the management of Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE) in adults and National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE) guidance from experts in Lupus.

The UHB currently has a Consultant enrolled on an online EULAR Lupus course, running from October 2019 to June 2020.