

## Health Coaching at West Suffolk Foundation Trust

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### What is Health Coaching?

"The changing nature of healthcare and the challenge of long-term conditions require a paradigm shift in the mindset and behaviours of professionals. Central to this is the quality of clinician—patient communication, which determines how responsibility is shared. Health coaching training for clinicians provides them with new mindsets, communication skills and behaviour change techniques that transform the clinician — patient relationship and enables patients to become more active participants in their care."

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### Impact on Clinical Practice



### Testimonials

This Health coaching training enhances communication skills and can be adapted to any given situation.

Michelle Buono,

Macmillan End of Life Education Nurse

I think it is a positive training for staff and the benefit to patient's healthcare will be extremely valuable. It will improve patients' health and staff moral.

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