Pain and Bleeding in Early Pregnancy Module Lead

This module is subject to final approval by the university. We are hoping for confirmation by September.

Overview:
This practical module equips clinicians with the skills and understanding to use PoCUS safely and effectively in the assessment of early pregnancy. It focuses on recognising normal appearances and red flags, understanding scope of practice, and applying findings in common clinical scenarios such as miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, and early pelvic pain.

Target Audience:
Any clinicians involved in the care of patients in early pregnancy — including those working in obstetrics and gynaecology, emergency medicine, general practice, sexual health, midwifery, and acute care — who want to use ultrasound as a supportive diagnostic tool within departmental protocols and governance frameworks.

What You'll Teach:

- Medico-legal considerations, including scope of competence and training requirements

- The value of departmental protocols in early pregnancy scanning

- Indications for ultrasound in the assessment of early pregnancy

- Image acquisition and optimisation techniques for abdominal and pelvic views

- Scanning techniques and artefact recognition

- Identification of normal and abnormal ultrasound appearances of the uterus, adnexa, and pelvic cavity

- Interpretation of findings in the context of clinical presentations such as:

    o Suspected miscarriage

    o Ectopic pregnancy

    o Adnexal or pelvic pain

    o Free fluid in the abdomen

- Introduction to transvaginal ultrasound: indications, technique, and interpretation

- How PoCUS findings influence decisions about management and referral

Teaching Format:

- Online pre-learning followed by hands-on scanning, available across six or seven scheduled training days

- Candidates are not required to attend every session — they can select the dates that suit them

- Small-group scanning using pelvic models, healthy volunteers (for transabdominal scanning only), clinical recordings, and simulated scenarios

- Emphasis on safe, protocol-driven scanning and structured interpretation

- Each candidate delivers a short case presentation as part of the module

What Makes This Module Rewarding to Teach:
Ultrasound can be invaluable in the early assessment of pregnancy, but it must be used safely and within clearly defined boundaries. As a module lead, you'll help clinicians build competence and confidence in a sensitive, high-stakes area of practice — supporting better outcomes and clearer communication with patients.

For enquiries or to apply, please contact us at recruitment@bromleyemergency.com