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# HUDDERSFIELD Competent to Practice?



Evaluation of an electronic self assessment tool for student and graduate professionals

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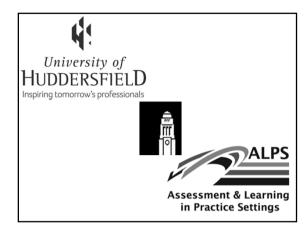
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...on behalf of the group...







- The ALPS-CETL 2005 -2010 HEFCE funded
- · Yorks and Humber Strategic Health Authority, gave 'follow on' Funding for networks to develop ALPS outputs
- CiPA Self Assessment Tool was one of these network projects.

www.alps-cetl.ac.uk




- + ALPS explored ways to ensure undergraduate Health and Social Care students are equipped to perform confidently and competently at the start of their professional careers.
- It developed inter-professional, practice oriented learning and assessment artefacts
- Used mobile devices for students in practice
- · See presentation; Gareth Frith, later today.

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- Competency in Practice Assessment Tool (1)
- · A validated research instrument to measure confidence in practice, used in a longitudinal study
- Competency in Practice Assessment Tool (2)
- An on line self assessment tool for students. tutors/mentors and qualified professionals

http://www.alps-cetl.ac.uk/cipa.html

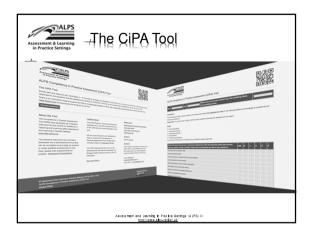
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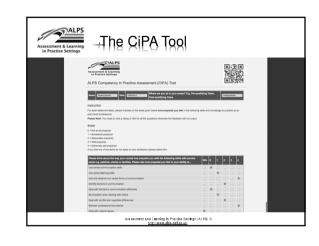


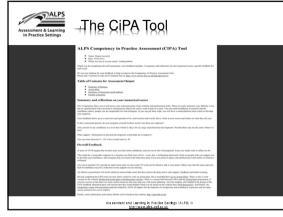
Collaboration:

- · Health and social care students, Computing students, Learning technologist, Health and social care academics.
- 2 universities
- · Workshops, student discussion, software development











# Assessment & Learning in Practice Settings Message in a Bottle?

\* National & international dissemination

#### But..

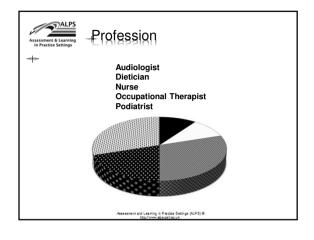
- Who is using it?
- Why are they using it?
- Is it helpful?

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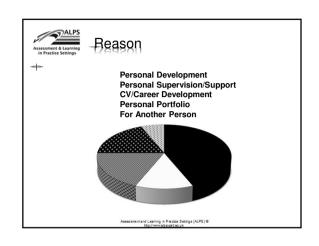


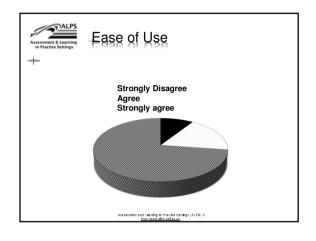
# Assessment & Learning in Practice Settings Evaluation Strategy

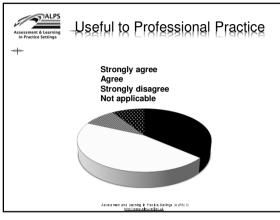
- + Ethical approval
- BOS survey linked directly to the tool
- Who? Why? Thoughts?
- Promoted across ALPS partners
- Disseminated at conference & events
- · Linked to NHS 'preceptorship'
- Talked to students

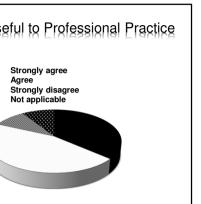














## \*Methods..

- · Paid student collaboration is unconditionally positive
- Build evaluation into the software?

#### Response ...

• If you don't ask you will never know

#### Evaluation...

· There is a need for support of this kind



# Resources

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http://www.alps-cetl.ac.uk http://cipa.hud.ac.uk/



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