

“Happy New Year!” to you all from everyone at Elite. Also, we are glad to welcome back Fran from maternity leave after the birth of her beautiful baby daughter, Riley. She will be in the office Monday to Wednesday from February.

Training Courses

- **Medication Awareness** –We are running a course on 20th February– 1200-1600 at our office in Gladstone House. This course, together with relevant experience, enables Carers to be paid ‘B’ grade rates when shifts require that level of staff. (Note: Aspects & Milestones require B grade staff to update Medication Competency Training every year). The cost is £25. If you are interested, call to check if spaces are available
- Mandatory Training courses are planned for Tuesday 18th March. Please call the office for further details.

Health regulator to host summit on the regulation of healthcare support workers

The regulation of healthcare support workers (HCSWs) will be the subject of a national summit to be hosted in the Spring of 2008 by the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC), the regulatory body for the 682,000 nurses and midwives working in the UK.



The **introduction fee** for introducing a friend to Elite is now £25 payable when he/she works a shift for us.
(We pay up to £51.30 ph for Qualified Nurses, and up to £28.10ph for Health Care Assistants)



There are still some **ENS Sweatshirts** available. They are maroon with the ENS logo embroidered in white, and are smart and comfortable for wearing on shift - available in Small, Medium, Large and X-Large sizes they cost £15 each. (Or, if you have the money taken directly from your salary you could save the tax – please ask for more details). To order, or for more information, call us between 9am and 5pm.

A note for your diary

Our **Occupational Health Nurse**, Elizabeth Bunce, will be at our office in Gladstone House on Thursday 31st January between 10am and 3pm. She will be able to carry out BCG scar checks, or will be happy to discuss any other Occupational Health issues. Feel free to drop in – no official appointment necessary.

Joke! Ha! Ha!

*“Doctor Doctor I think
I need my eyes tested.
You certainly do sir –
this is a garage.”*

Members' Message Board

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