

RCN Nursing Update: the Autumn Session

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The next series of distance learning programs resumes on 4th September, and is based on BBC2 T.V. broadcasts plus "Nursing Standard" supplements. Each broadcast is repeated and the series of 16 units is completed on 18th December 1992.

The Assessment Scheme, which is part of the project, is provided by the I.A.N.E. Two assessments are provided for each unit and the RCN will award Continuing Education Points to those who complete the assessments, which includes a further practical

work-place assessment. It is hoped that agreement will be given soon to award 10 x CATS points at level 2 to those who complete the assessments.

Such developments link in clearly with the UKCC's PREP Scheme and offer a further opportunity for nurses to demonstrate their professional updating.

Topics to be covered include migraine, heart disease and wound dressing. The T.V. programs can be freely copied "off-air" and copies of the specially written supplements are available from "Nursing Standard".