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Designing services for rural areas, with rural areas: engaging with communities

This one day professional development course will be held at the Nelson Ward at Lorn and Islands Hospital in Oban on Tuesday, 27th April, 2010.

This course, hosted by the Centre for Rural Health, would suit service providers in health and social care, including rural practitioners, managers and support staff, public representatives and Community Planning Partners. The course will cover:

- Why engage with rural communities?
 - Levels of engagement
- How engaging with rural communities is different
 - Methods and techniques for engagement
- Measuring the success of an engagement process
 - Design your own engagement processes
- Real life challenges and hazards of engagement

The day will feature interactive exercises from designing your own engagement process to taking part in a practice engagement activity. It will be a challenging, interesting day. Expect to come away with a fresh perspective about engaging rural communities

There will be a cost of £10 per person to cover refreshments.

The event will be held as part of the dissemination of the Remote Service Futures final report and toolkit.

For more information on the Remote Service Futures Project please go to

<http://www.abdn.ac.uk/crh/>

The course will run from **10am until 4pm on Tuesday, April 27th, 2010**. There are 30 places on the course and we will run on a first come, first served basis so we encourage you to get in touch quickly.

To reserve your place please contact Amy Nimegeer at amy.nimegeer@uhi.ac.uk or 01463 255901