

Education and Training Committee – 8 September 2011

Closure of approved programmes

Executive summary and recommendations

Introduction

The Education Department has recently learnt of programmes which have closed or are closing. These programmes either have no students, or have students but the programmes are no longer recruiting additional cohorts. As these programmes still carry approved status the risk exists that an education provider may re-establish a training programme as leading to eligibility to register with the Health Professions Council.

By withdrawing “ongoing approval” the programmes will remain approved between the commencement dates of the first cohort and final cohort, however approval will be withdrawn to close the records that the Health Professions Council maintains for these programmes. Accordingly, approval will continue for qualifications held by:

- existing registrants;
- students who are currently completing programmes that have recently stopped recruiting and who successfully complete the programme in the future; and
- applicants to the Register through the return to practice route to registration who completed the programme during the approved dates.

This paper is asking the Committee to consider:

- the programmes listed in Appendix 1 where consent has been obtained from the education provider or validating body, for ongoing approval to be withdrawn. The consent forms for these programmes have been checked and confirmed by the Executive and may be seen upon request.
- the programmes listed in Appendix 2 where consent from the education provider or validating body has not been received either in response to an initial communication or a reminder.

Decision

The Committee is asked to **agree**:

- that the programmes listed in Appendix 1, which have submitted their consent, have their ongoing approval status withdrawn.

- that the programmes listed in Appendix 2, which have not submitted their consent, receive notice of the Committee's intent to withdraw approval and are given 28 days in which to provide any representations.

Background information

None

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Consent to withdraw approval received
- Appendix 2 – Consent not received

Date of paper

26 August 2011

Appendix 1 - Consent to withdraw approval received

Education provider	Awarding / validating body	Programme title	Mode of delivery
University of Brighton	University of Brighton	Supplementary Prescribing (Level 3)	Part time
University of Brighton	University of Brighton	Supplementary Prescribing (M Level)	Part time
British Psychological Society	British Psychological Society	Award in Educational Psychology (Scotland)	Flexible
British Psychological Society	British Psychological Society	Diploma in Forensic Psychology	Flexible
East of England Ambulance Service NHS Trust	University of East Anglia	Certificate of Higher Education in Emergency Medical Care (incorporating the IHCD paramedic award)	Part time
Guildhall School of Music and Drama	City University	MA Music Therapy	Mixed mode
London South Bank University	London South Bank University	BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy	Part time
Oxford Brookes University	Oxford Brookes University	BSc (Hons) Paramedic Emergency Care	Mixed mode
Oxford Brookes University	Oxford Brookes University	BSc (Hons) Paramedic Emergency Care	Part time
Oxford Brookes University	Oxford Brookes University	BSc Paramedic Emergency Care	Mixed mode
Oxford Brookes University	Oxford Brookes University	BSc Paramedic Emergency Care	Part time
Nordoff-Robbins	Nordoff-Robbins Music Therapy Centre	Masters in Music Therapy (Community Music Therapy/Nordorff Robbins)	Part time
Queen Margaret University	Queen Margaret University	Graduate Diploma in Speech and Language Therapy	Full time
Roehampton University	Roehampton University	MA Art Therapy	Full time
Roehampton University	Roehampton University	MA Art Therapy	Part time
Scottish Ambulance College	Institute of Healthcare Development	IHCD Paramedic Award	Full time
Sheffield Hallam University	Sheffield Hallam University	BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy	Work based learning
Sheffield Hallam University	Sheffield Hallam University	BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy	Work based learning
University Campus Suffolk	Universities of East Anglia and Essex	BSc (Hons) Oncology and Radiotherapy Technology	Full time
University of Central Lancashire	University of Central Lancashire	BSc (Hons) Paramedic Practice	Full time
University of Derby	University of Derby	Non-Medical Prescribing	Part time
University of Salford	University of Salford	Non-Medical Prescribing (Level 3)	Flexible
University of Salford	University of Salford	Non-Medical Prescribing (M Level)	Flexible

Appendix 2 – Consent not received

Education provider	Awarding / validating body	Programme title	Mode of delivery
University of East Anglia	University of East Anglia	DipHE Paramedic Science	Full time