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Revalidation – Progress Report

Here is a round-up of news about revalidation. We aim to keep all stakeholders up to date about our introduction of revalidation. Individuals and organisations are welcome to contact us anytime with their comments and queries about revalidation. Please email us at register@ukphr.org

Revalidation Pilot Phase

UKPHR's Board intends to implement its revalidation scheme for both Specialist and Practitioner registrants in Autumn 2018.

We are currently piloting our revalidation scheme requirements. We are very grateful to the specialists and practitioners who have agreed to help us by trying to meet the new requirements when applying for their 5-yearly re-registration.

This pilot phase is due to end in March 2018. Afterwards, we will review the experiences of registrants and our staff in the pilot stage. We will evaluate how well our revalidation scheme works. UKPHR's Board will study the evaluation and decide whether any changes are needed before confirming the start date for revalidation.

Revalidation will replace completely the current system for 5-yearly re-registration.

IT developments

We have developed our website and supporting technology so that it will support a completely online process for completing revalidation. We will see how this new technology performs in the revalidation piloting stage. Developments so far have included an online application, automated deadlines and messaging and templates for key components of the revalidation process.

Consultative Forum

Our next Consultative Forum will take place in **Glasgow on 26 April 2018**. We will focus on revalidation for part of the day. With regard to further development of our arrangements for professional appraisal of practitioner registrants, we will be including a workshop when we and our stakeholders will be looking at ways to take these steps forward.

Practitioners

Currently, there are 3 practitioner registrants due for re-registration between now and the end of March 2018. When contacting them about their re-registration, we have asked them if they will also help us to pilot our revalidation requirements.

There are 33 practitioner registrants due for re-registration between February 2018 and December 2018. We will communicate developments about piloting, evaluation and implementation to this group of registrants in particular.

We will continue to publish news updates for all practitioner registrants during 2018.

Practitioner registrants will, perhaps for the first time in most cases, be expected to undertake one professional appraisal in each 5-year registration period in future.

We are working on a straightforward way for professional appraisals to be undertaken.

We will be developing training, templates and further guidance in relation to the professional appraisal requirement.

Specialists

There are currently six specialist registrants helping us to pilot the revalidation requirements. The first of these has completed our new online revalidation process!

We have designed a questionnaire to send to all registrants who help us in this pilot stage and we have arrangements in place to follow up on the answers we receive.

We are confident that specialist registrants in Scotland and Wales will undertake the same annual professional appraisal that their medical colleagues already undertake. We are grateful to NHS Health Scotland and Public Health Wales for the help they are giving us to make sure that this is the case.

The situation in England is more complex. We would like to express our deepest gratitude to Public Health England for working with us to find a satisfactory solution.

We are very grateful to Public Health England for all they are doing with us to make sure most specialist registrants in England will be able to undertake the same annual professional appraisal that their medical colleagues undertake.

A reminder of the current requirements for revalidation

For practitioner registrants, the requirements for revalidation are as follows:

- One professional appraisal completed within the 12 months immediately prior to revalidation.
- Declaration of Personal Development Planning.
- Annual declaration of health and conduct.
- Confirmation that Indemnity arrangements are in place.
- 5 years CPD evidence (this can be in the form of CPD certificates from the Faculty of Public Health or production of registrant's CPD log).
- Confirmation of participation in quality improvement activity. At the time of revalidation, this would include providing a Multi-Source Feedback (MSF) using an approved tool and containing at least 10 raters OR (with UKPHR's prior agreement) feedback.
- 1 reference to confirm attitude towards skills and knowledge, CPD and quality of service.

For specialist registrants, the requirements for revalidation are as follows:

- Annual professional appraisal, self-declared for four years plus provide the professional appraisal completed within the 12 months immediately prior to revalidation.
- Declaration of Personal Development Planning.
- Annual declaration of health and conduct.
- Confirmation that Indemnity arrangements are in place.
- 5 years CPD evidence (this can be in the form of CPD certificates from the Faculty of Public Health or production of registrant's CPD log).
- Confirmation of participation in quality improvement activity. At the time of revalidation, this would include providing a Multi-Source Feedback (MSF) using an approved tool and containing at least 10 raters OR (with UKPHR's prior agreement) feedback.
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