



# Public Health Specialty Registrar *Policy*

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## 1. Purpose of this document

This document sets out the policy and procedure UKPHR intends to operate in respect of registration of public health Specialty Registrars.

## 2. Registration of public health Specialty Registrars

Public health Specialty Registrars who wish to register during their training will be able to choose to register with UKPHR if they wish. Registration is voluntary.

Registration will be relevant to public health Specialty Registrars who are not registered with a statutory regulator. Examples of statutory regulators include General Dental Council and General Medical Council.

UKPHR will accept applications from public health Specialty Registrars.

The criteria and conditions for eligibility for consideration for registration are:

- Acceptance onto and ongoing participation in the Public Health Specialty Training Programme
- Completion of an application form and production of supporting evidence using the template prescribed by UKPHR
- Payment of an annual registration fee as prescribed by UKPHR
- Commitment to continuing professional development (during Specialty Training this is fulfilled by participation in the Public Health Specialty Training Programme)
- Commitment to practice public health in accordance with UKPHR's Code of Conduct and *Good Public Health Practice*.

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### 3. Prescribed requirements

In order to register with, and remain registered with, UKPHR, a public health Specialty Registrar is required to:

- Complete, sign and deliver to UKPHR an application form in the prescribed form, a copy of which is available to download from UKPHR's website
- Provide to UKPHR evidence of acceptance onto and participation in the Specialty Training Programme using the template prescribed by UKPHR
- Pay upon application and annually the prescribed registration fee or such other sum as shall from time to time in future years be set by UKPHR

### 4. Supplementary Information

UKPHR registrants are due to renew annually by midnight on 1<sup>st</sup> July. A new registrant joining the register during the cycle will pay a full registration fee upon application and at their first annual renewal will pay a reduced pro rata to reflect the length of time on the register.

A registrant seeking to take time out from the Public Health Specialty Training Programme will be encouraged to maintain continuous registration; no refund will be paid for a part year off the register.

On satisfactory completion of Public Health Specialty Training a registrant will, currently, be eligible to register with UKPHR as a Public Health Specialist. If application for the latter is made promptly (again, registration is voluntary) UKPHR will maintain the registrant's registration continuously; if Specialist registration takes place before 01 July during a year of Public Health Specialty Registrar registration the registrant may set off against the new registration fee payable the Public Health Specialty Registrar registration fee reduced pro rata for the same period; in any other circumstance no refund of registration fee will be made.

A public health Specialty Registrar who ceases permanently to participate in the Public Health Specialty Training Programme (a different situation from taking time out from the Programme) shall cease to be eligible for registration; on receipt of evidence of this fact UKPHR will remove the registrant from the register and no refund of registration fee will be made.

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UKPHR will not impose a requirement in respect of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) on registrants participating in Public Health Specialty Training, believing that the standard of CPD it requires for Public Health Specialist registrants is fulfilled by participation in the Specialty Training Programme. UKPHR reserves the right to impose a CPD requirement on a registrant who takes time out from the Public Health Specialty Training Programme.

## 5. Advantages of Public Health Specialty Registrar Registration

The advantages of public health Specialty Registrar registration are considered by UKPHR to include:

- Extending regulation to this cohort of the public health workforce, in particular those public health Specialty Registrars not currently subject to any form of independent regulation, for the purpose of enhancing the protection of the public and upholding and promoting standards in the profession;
- Making available to all public health Specialty Trainees the opportunity to be accountable to an accredited regulatory body and adhere to agreed professional standards prior to entering into regulation as Public Health Specialists;
- Providing an opportunity for public health Specialty Registrars to demonstrate their commitment to safeguarding the public and upholding standards in the profession;
- Creating greater commonality between the regulation offered by UKPHR and statutory healthcare regulators and filling gaps in the existing regulatory system.

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