

Specialist Registration by Portfolio Assessment- Preapplication audit 2018-2025

108

pre-applications assessed since
2018

43

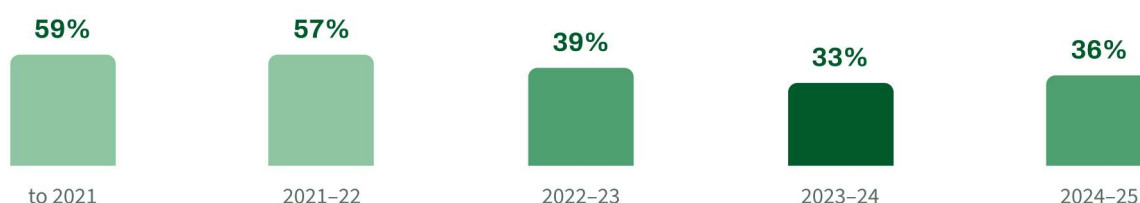
not approved for portfolio
assessment

36%

not approved during 2024/25 cycle

More applicants are meeting the standard over time

% not approved, by audit cycle



! Issues identified with unsuccessful pre-applications

The PDP didn't clearly show how gaps in knowledge or experience would be addressed **40 of 43**

Experience was concentrated in one narrow area of public health, not across all domains **23 of 43**

The evidence provided was too vague to assess **9 of 43**

No clear public health experience was demonstrated **6 of 43**

Applications that don't yet demonstrate the full breadth and depth of public health capability are not approved until they do. One application can raise more than one of these concerns.

About the pre-application:

- ✓ Each pre-application is independently assessed by two UKPHR assessors.
- ✓ Each application is backed by registered referees who know the applicant's practice.
- ✓ Once the pre-application is approved, applicants can start working on their full portfolio submission; if this is accepted, specialist registration is granted.
- ✓ Applications are assessed against the standard of a newly-qualified Consultant in Public Health — every competency in the Public Health Curriculum must be met.
- ✓ Not everyone is approved first time — the bar is deliberately high, and applicants must show real evidence.

