

Education and Training Committee – 25 November 2009

Practitioner psychologists - List of approved programmes (current and historic)

Introduction

At the meeting of the Committee on 11 June 2009, the Committee agreed the list of currently approved practitioner psychologist programmes as well as the list of programmes which were approved historically for specific periods. These recommended lists were based on accreditation information received from the British Psychological Society (BPS).

Following this date the Education Department received further information which resulted in minor changes to the list of currently approved programmes and provided greater clarification for the list of programmes which were approved historically. At the meeting of the Committee on 22 September 2009 the Committee agreed the amended programme lists.

This paper is a follow up to the paper of the 22 September 2009 Committee to address further changes to the lists of current and historically approved programmes. The Committee is now asked to agree the amendments listed in Appendix one and two as final.

Background information

Article 15(8) of the Health Professions Order provides that:

- "(8) The Council shall maintain and publish a list of the courses of education and training, qualifications and institutions –
- (a) which are for the time being approved under this Order: or
- (b) which have been approved under this Order but which are no longer approved, together with a record of the periods in respect of which they were approved."

Paragraphs (1) and (2) of Article 5 of the Health Care and Associated Professions (Miscellaneous Amendments and Practitioner Psychologists) Order 2009 provides that:

- "(1) The HPC and the BPS, and the HPC and the AEP, shall enter into arrangements (which may include financial arrangements) to facilitate the introduction of the new arrangements for the statutory regulation of practitioner psychologists arising out of this Order
- "(2) The arrangements entered into under paragraph (1) shall include arrangements to ensure that all the names in the BPS register and the AEP register which are to be entered in the HPC register with effect from the appointed day for practitioner psychologists are so entered."

In turn, schedule 2(16) of the Health Care and Associated Professions (Miscellaneous Amendments and Practitioner Psychologists) Order 2009 outlines amendments to schedule 3 of the Health Professions Order 2001. The amendment of schedule 3 refers to the following definitions;

""AEP register" means the aggregate of the entries in the membership list maintained by the Association of Educational Psychologists (which held its inaugural meeting at the London School of Economics on 14th April 1962 and was founded on that date(49)) that relate to full members of the Association;";

""BPS register" means the aggregate of the entries in the register maintained by the British Psychological Society (which was incorporated by Royal Charter on 26th February 1965(50)) that relate to holders of practising certificates who are full members of one or more of the divisions of the Society in respect of the following branches of psychology: clinical psychology; counselling psychology; educational psychology; forensic psychology; health psychology; occupational psychology; and sport and exercise psychology;"

It is therefore necessary for the Committee to maintain and publish lists of approved programmes for practitioner psychologists.

List of approved programmes

At its meeting of 11 June 2009, the Committee agreed the list of currently approved programmes subject to receiving final data from the BPS and any subsequent editing. This list was published on the website, with the relevant caveats, ahead of the Register opening to provide education providers with clear and effective information about whether their programme would be approved by the HPC or not.

As of the 1 July 2009, these programmes were granted open ended approval and the online list of approved programmes was changed to adopt the same format as the other thirteen professions. This list was presented to Committee on 22 September with minor amendments.

Since Education and Training Committee on 22 September 2009 the Education department has carried out a data cleansing project for Practitioner psychologist list of approved programmes. From the forms received by the Department, changes were made to the titles and modes of study for the programmes listed in Appendix one. The changes made include the addition of modes of study to five programmes and modification to the titles of five programmes. There was also a change to the first date of commencement for one programme. For ease of reference these changes have been noted in the final column of the table at Appendix one.

List of historically approved programmes

At its meeting of 11 June 2009, the Committee also agreed to approve individual programmes and 'combination routes' for historical periods, subject to receiving final data from the BPS and any subsequent editing. These decisions became effective from 1 July 2009 and the lists have been published on the website.

Following the receipt of final data from the BPS which provided the Department with greater clarification and allowed the individual programmes and 'combination routes' to be recorded as one list of historically approved programmes the amended list was presented to Committee on 22 September 2009.

Since the Committee on 22 September 2009 there have been further minor amendments to the list of historically approved programmes following discussions and additional evidence supplied by the BPS. Appendix 2 contains the final recommended list of historically approved programmes. For ease of reference the reason that the changes have been made are noted in the final column of the table in Appendix two.

Decision

The Committee is therefore asked to agree the following:

- To accept the amendments to the currently approved programmes outlined in Appendix one.
- To accept the amendments to the historically approved programmes outlined in Appendix two.

Background information

Practitioner psychologist – list of approved programmes paper (11 June 2009). Practitioner psychologist – list of approved programmes (current and historic) paper (22 September 2009).

Minutes of the Committee meeting (11 June 2009).

Minutes of the Committee meeting (22 September 2009).

Resource implications

Accounted for in 2009-2010 Education work plan and budget.

Financial implications

Accounted for in 2009-2010 Education work plan and budget.

Appendix

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Date of paper

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Appendix 1 – Amendments to list of currently approved programmes

Part of the register: Practitioner psychologists							
Protected Title	Education provider	Programme Title	Mode	Change			
Counselling psychologist	University of the West of England	Professional Doctorate in Counselling Psychology	Full time and part time	Addition of part time mode of study			
Health psychologist	Queen Margaret University	Professional Doctorate in Health Psychology	Full time and part time	Addition of part time mode of study			
Health psychologist	Staffordshire University	Professional Doctorate in Health Psychology	Full time and part time	Addition of part time mode of study and addition of "Professional" to title of programme			
Health psychologist	University of Southampton	Health Psychology Research and Professional Practice (PhD)	Full time and part time	Addition of part time mode of study			
Health psychologist	University of Surrey	Health Psychology (PhD) and PG Cert in Health Psychology Practice	Full time and part time	Addition of part time mode of study and change of title to PG Cert in Health Psychology Practice from the title of PG Cert in Health Psychological Practice			
Educational psychologist	Queen's University of Belfast	Doctorate in Educational, Child and Adolescent Psychology (DECAP)	Full time	Change to abbreviation in brackets from (D.Ed.Psy)			
Educational psychologist	University of East London	Professional Doctorate in Educational and Child Psychology (D.Ed.Ch.Psych.)	Full time	Addition of "Professional Doctorate in" to title of programme and change to (D.Ed.Ch.Psych) from (D.Ed.Psy)			

Appendix 1 – Amendments to list of currently approved programmes

Clinical psychologist	Royal Holloway, University of London	Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (DClinPsy)	Full time	Capitalisation of C in (DClinPsy) from (DclinPsy)
Clinical psychologist	Institute of Psychiatry	Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (DClinPsy)	Full time	Change to the first cohort commencement date from 1994 to 1992 following information received by the BPS

CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGISTS

	Mode of Study	Title of Programme	Validating Institution	Date of Commencement for First Cohort	Date of Commencement for Final Cohort	Evidence required to support application	Detail of programme amendments post Education and Training Committee September 2009
Institute of Psychiatry	Full time	MPhil Clinical Psychology	Institute of Psychiatry	1965	1985	References for one year supervised practice and Certificate for the award from the Education Provider	New programme added to programme list. This programme is the previous incarnation of MSc programme at the education provider. Additionally, first and final cohort dates amended from 1977-1987 following receipt of further information provided by the BPS.
Institute of Psychiatry	Full time	MSc Clinical Psychology	Institute of Psychiatry	1986	1993	References for one year supervised practice or Statement of Clinical competence issued by the British Psychological Society (only applicable to cohorts starting in 1991 or 1992) and Certificate for the award from the Education Provider	First cohort date amended to a later start date following the addition of MPhil programme at education provider to programme list. Previous date was 1977. Additionally, first and final cohort dates amended from 1988-1996 following receipt of further information provided by the BPS.
University College Dublin	Full time	Master of Psychological Science in Clinical Psychology (MPsySci)	University College Dublin	1982	1997	References for one year supervised practice or Statement of Clinical competence issued by the British Psychological Society (only applicable to cohorts starting in 1991 or 1992) and Certificate for the award from the Education Provider	New programme added to programme list following receipt of further information provided by the BPS.
University of Exeter	Full time	MSc Clinical Psychology	University of Exeter	1976	1989	Certificate for the award from the Education Provider	New programme added to programme list following receipt of further information provided by the BPS. This programme is the previous incarnation of MSc Clinical and Community Psychology programme at the education provider.

Univ	versity of Exeter	Full time	MSc Clinical and	University of	1990	1994	Certificate for the award from	First cohort date amended to a later start
			Community	Exeter			the Education Provider	date following the addition of MSc Clinical
			Psychology					Psychology programme at education
								provider to programme list. Previous date
								was 1976.

COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGISTS

	Mode of Study		Institution		•	Detail of programme amendments post Education and Training Committee September 2009
City University	Full time	Post-MSc Dip in Practice of Counselling Psychology	City University	1995	the Education Provider	Final cohort date amended to a later date following receipt of further information provided by the BPS. Previous date was 2004.

EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGISTS

Education Provider	Mode of Study	Title of Programme	Validating Institution	Date of Commencement for First Cohort	Date of Commencement for Final Cohort	support application	Detail of programme amendments post Education and Training Committee September 2009
University College Swansea / University of Wales, Swansea	Full time	MEd Educational Psychology	University College Swansea / University of Wales, Swansea	1982	1996	education provider and	New programme added to programme list. This programme is the previous incarnation of MSc programme at the education provider.
Cardiff University (Prifysgol Cardiff)	Full time	MSc Educational Psychology	Cardiff University	1997	2005	education provider and	First cohort date amended to a later start date following the addition of MEd programme at education provider to programme list. Previous date was 1982.
University of Glasgow	Full time	MAppSci in Educational Psychology and Child Guidance	University of Glasgow	1974	1988	education provider	New programme added to programme list following receipt of further information provided by the BPS.
University of Glasgow	Full time	Diploma in Educational Psychology and Child Guidance	University of Glasgow	1974	1988	education provider	New programme added to programme list following receipt of further information provided by the BPS.

Appendix 2 - Amendments to list of historically approved programmes

University of Aberdeen	Full time	MLitt in Educational Psychology	University of Aberdeen	1974		New programme added to programme list following receipt of further information provided by the BPS.
University of Edinburgh	Full time	MSc in Educational Psychology	University of Edinburgh	1977	Certificate for the award from	New programme added to programme list following receipt of further information provided by the BPS.

FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGISTS

Education Provider	Mode of Study	Title of Programme	Validating Institution	Date of Commencement for First Cohort	Date of Commencement for Final Cohort	Evidence required to support application	Detail of programme amendments post Education and Training Committee September 2009
Coventry University	Full time	MSc Forensic Psychology	Coventry University	2002	2001	Certificate for the award from education provider and References for 2 years supervised practice	Programme removed from programme list as cohorts dated post 2001 when all applicants had to have completed the BPS Diploma in Forensic Psychology.
Middlesex University	Full time	MSc Forensic Psychology	Middlesex University	2002	2001	Certificate for the award from education provider and References for 2 years supervised practice	Programme removed from programme list as cohorts dated post 2001 when all applicants had to have completed the BPS Diploma in Forensic Psychology.