

## Education and Training Committee – 8 June 2010

### 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 25 November 2009 the Committee agreed the amended programme lists.

This paper is a follow up to the paper of the 10 March 2010 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.

#### **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 10 March 2010 with minor amendments.

Since the Education and Training Committee on 10 March 2010 the Education department has received amendments from approval visits and from information received via education providers and the BPS. Appendix 1 contains the final recommended list of 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 1.

### **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 10 March 2010.

Since the Committee on 10 March 2010 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 2.

### **Decision**

The Committee is therefore asked to agree the following:

- To accept the amendments to the currently approved programmes outlined in Appendix 1.
- To accept the amendments to the historically approved programmes outlined in Appendix 2.

### **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).

Minutes of the Committee meeting (25 November 2009).

Minutes of the Committee meeting (10 March 2010).

### **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**

Appendix 1 – Amendments to list of currently approved programmes

Appendix 2 – Amendments to list of historically approved programmes

### **Date of paper**

27 May 2010

Appendix 1 – Amendments to list of currently approved programmes

Part of the register: Practitioner psychologists				
Protected Title	Education provider	Programme Title	Mode	Change
Clinical Psychology	University of Plymouth	Professional Doctorate in Clinical Psychology	Full time	The change from Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (DclinPsy) to Professional Doctorate in Clinical Psychology
Clinical Psychology	Newcastle University	Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (DClinPsychol)	Full time	The change is from (DClinPsy) to (DClinPsychol)
Clinical Psychology	University of Liverpool	Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (D.Clin.Psychol)	Full time	The change is from (DClinPsy) to (D.Clin.Psychol)
Forensic Psychology	University of Birmingham	Doctorate in Forensic Psychology Practice (ForenPsyD)	Part time	New mode of study advised by the education provider
Educational psychologist	University of Sheffield	Doctor of Educational and Child Psychology (DEdCPsy)	Full time	The change from Educational Psychology (D.Ed.Psy) to Doctor of Educational and Child Psychology (DEdCPsy)

Date	Ver.	Dept/Cmte	Doc Type	Title	Status	Int. Aud.
2010-05-27	c	EDU	APV	Appendix 1 - list of currently approved programmes	Draft DD: None	Public RD: None

Appendix 2 - Amendments to list of historically approved programmes

**CLINICAL 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 March 2010
University of Aberdeen	Full time	MSc Clinical Psychology	University of Aberdeen	1978	1989	References for one year supervised practice <b>and</b> Certificate for the award from the Education Provider	New programme added in to programme list. Programme added in due to further information from BPS.
University of Glasgow	Full time	M.App.Sci Clinical Psychology	University of Glasgow	1978	1995	References for one year supervised practice <b>or</b> Statement of Clinical competence issued by the British Psychological Society (only applicable to cohorts starting in 1991 or 1992) <b>and</b> Certificate for the award from the Education Provider	First cohort date amended to an earlier start date following receipt of further information provided by the BPS. Previous date was 1981.
University of Leeds	Full time	MSc Clinical Psychology	University of Leeds	1977	1992	References for one year supervised practice <b>and</b> Certificate for the award from the Education Provider	First cohort date amended to an earlier start date following receipt of further information provided by the BPS. Previous date was 1979.

**EDUCATIONAL 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 March 2010
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Appendix 2 - Amendments to list of historically approved programmes

University of Sheffield	Full time	MSc Educational Psychology	University of Sheffield	1974	2005	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 1 year supervised practice	Final cohort date amended to a later date following receipt of further information provided by the BPS. Previous date was 2004.
University of Glasgow	Full time	Diploma in Educational Psychology	University of Glasgow	1970	1988	Certificate for the award from education provider <b>and</b> References for 1 year supervised practice	First cohort date amended to an earlier start date following receipt of further information provided by the BPS. Previous date was 1974. In a separate update from BPS the programme title is changed to Diploma in Educational Psychology. Previous title was Diploma in Educational Psychology and Child Guidance