

Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain

Summary of an Independent Prescribing Accreditation Report

University of Hull

1. Summary and Conclusions

As a result of the accreditation event on the 16 December 2008, the panel will recommend to the Society's Education Committee that the Independent Prescribing Programme at the University of Hull is accredited for a maximum period of three years, subject to the conditions detailed below.

2. Conditions

(It is expected that conditions 2b to 2f inclusive will be satisfied before the programme commences)

- 2a. For quality assurance purposes, all Universities offering newly accredited Independent Prescribing Programmes will be expected to undertake an evaluation of the teaching provided to enable students to develop clinical examination skills, once the first cohort has completed the programme. The evaluation must include assessment results for this essential core element and feedback from students on the teaching provided. The evaluation report must then be forwarded to the Society. (This is a standard condition)
- 2b. The declaration on page 6 of the Designated Medical Practitioner form be amended to include the statement 'as specified in point 3 above'. (This condition relates to criterion 2.2.5)
- 2c. Attendance of clinical skills sessions for pharmacists be mandated and that these sessions are identified in the timetable. (This condition relates to criterion 2.3.10)
- 2d. The final declaration by the DMP be amended to comply with criterion 2.4.3.
- 2e. Arrangements are made for a final summative OSCE(s) to take place at the University for quality assurance purposes. (This condition relates to criterion 2.5.1)
- 2f. The competency record be reformatted to include evidence of achievement and a final sign off from the DMP for each competency. (This condition relates to criterion 2.5.1)

3. Recommendations

- 3a. To consider the balance of the curriculum in relation to the provision of clinical skills for pharmacists. (This recommendation relates to criterion 2.3.4)
- 3b. To provide DMPs with enhanced support mechanisms. (This recommendation relates to criterion 2.3.7 and 2.4.1)

The course will not formally be accredited until the accreditation panel's recommendation has been endorsed by the Society's Education Committee.

Following the above accreditation event satisfactory evidence was provided to meet the above conditions of accreditation (with the exception of the standard condition 2a which must be met on completion of the first cohort). The programme was subsequently approved for accreditation by the Society's Education Committee for a period of three years.