Implementing the revised standards of proficiency (SOPs) – key information for education providers

Our revised SOPs become 'effective' from September 2023. This is a briefing of the key messages important to you to ensure you are meeting regulatory requirements.

What you need to do
- Deliver the revised SOPs to new cohorts from September 2023
- Report approach to the HCPC through your next performance review submission, starting in the 2022-23 academic year

What you should consider in developing your provision
- The key development themes, and how these are or can be embedded within and across your provision
- Profession specific changes (contained in the appendix referenced above)
- Whether changes are required to your provision – we recognise that providers may already be delivering SOPs to the level required by the revisions

What you need to show us
- We will ask you to reflect on the revisions and any changes you have made / are planning to make through your next performance review submission (starting in the 2022-23 academic year)
- We will ask for reflections on the key areas of change
- Will **not** require provision of module descriptors or mapping documents to demonstrate granular changes at a programme level
- We may explore your reflections through the performance review process

What learners need to know
- The revised SOPs become 'effective' from September 2023
- This means that any individual entering the Register from this data will need to meet the revised SOPs
- Programmes must deliver revised SOPs to new cohorts from September 2023
- This means learners starting programmes before September 2023 may not have been explicitly taught against the revised SOPs
- Upon entry to the Register, registrants need to be aware of the most recent version of the SOPs, and undertake CPD where required to develop their skills and knowledge

Sources of further information
- SOPs update page
- E-learning module