

AGENDA

Education and Training Panel – tier 1 paper approval route June 2025

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1. **Approval**
 - a. Programmes recommended for approval subject to meeting conditions
None
 - b. Programmes recommended for approval
 - Roehampton University, BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy (pre-registration), Full time
 - Roehampton University, BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy (Pre-registration), Full time
 - University College London, Hearing aid aptitude test, Distance learning
2. **Performance review**
 - a. Review period for institutions which have been subject to the performance review process: None
3. **Focused review**
 - a. Institutions/programmes subjected to the focused review process, where no further action is recommended
 - University of Sunderland
 - b. Institutions/programmes subjected to the focused review process, where referral to another process is recommended
 - University of Bedfordshire
4. **Record changes – provider consent**
 - University of Northumbria at Newcastle

Introduction

The Education and Training Committee makes all decisions on programme approval and on other operational education matters. Decisions are categorised into three ‘tiers’, which are categorised based on risk, whether recommended outcomes are challenged by providers, and / or whether there is a significant negative impact for the provider and/or learners. Meetings of the Education and Training Panel are reserved for items which require a higher level of oversight or discussion before a decision can be made.

This agenda is for tier 1 papers-based decisions only. These decisions are by nature low risk. Decisions are made at this tier in a specific set of limited circumstances, most importantly when education providers have not provided any comments on the outcome through ‘observations’ and therefore there is no disagreement about the recommendation put forward by lead visitors or the executive.

Each section of the agenda has an explanation of the recommended process outcome, with information which enables the Panel to make a decision.

1. Approval

a. Programmes recommended for approval subject to meeting conditions

None

b. Programmes recommended for approval

For each programme listed, partner visitors have judged that:

- the provision is of sufficient quality to meet relevant education standards; and
- the provider has demonstrated that facilities provided are adequate to deliver education and training as proposed.

Therefore, they are recommending that the programmes are approved, subject to satisfactory monitoring. Education providers have not supplied observations for these recommendations, meaning they do not object to the recommendations made.

The Panel is asked to consider the information in the table(s) below and to approve each programme as recommended.

Education provider	Roehampton University
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Case reference	CAS-01704-W5Z2L4	Lead visitors	Jo Jackson, Lead visitor, Physiotherapist – Educationalist Jennifer Caldwell. Lead visitor, Occupational Therapist – Educationalist
Quality of provision			
<p>The areas we explored focused on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We have explored one area as a quality activity. This looked at the levels of staffing on the proposed programmes. This was to ensure that sufficient staff are available for the successful running of the proposed programmes. <p>The following areas should be referred to another HCPC process for assessment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We are referring the ongoing recruitment of new staff on the Occupational Therapy programme to the focused review process. This is to ensure that sufficient levels of staff are available for the programme. <p>The programme(s) meet all the relevant HCPC education standards and therefore should be approved.</p>			
Facilities provided			
<p>Education and training delivered by this institution is underpinned by the provision of the following key facilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The education provider has discussed a range of physical resources that are in place. This includes their investment in specialist teaching resources for healthcare education, including Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, and Nursing. Their Mary Seacole Health Innovation Centre has a specialist teaching space, including five large clinical teaching rooms equipped with medical and audio-visual equipment. It includes physiotherapy plinths, anatomical models, mobility aids, and exercise equipment. They have discussed how a £110,000 capital investment has been approved for further enhancements throughout the 2024-25 academic year. The centre also houses a simulated apartment for practical training. The education provider has also discussed the use of their Grove House Clinical Simulation Centre. Here, there is a six-bedded simulated ward with emergency and handling equipment, plus flexible community rooms that can be adapted into general practitioner clinics or domestic settings. The facilities here include changing rooms and are managed by three full-time technical staff. The education provider's Whitelands College features food science laboratories with sensory analysis tools, microscopy, and dietary analysis software. They have also stated that there are high-spec computer suites and expert technicians support at all practical facilities across their campuses. They have discussed how these physical resources are in place, and they plan to review the physical resources on a yearly basis. They are also intending to grow their staffing resource by up to 2.0 full time equivalent staff members. 			

Programmes			
Programme name	Mode of study	First intake date	Nature of provision
BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy (pre-registration)	FT (Full time)	22/09/2025	Taught (HEI)
BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy (Pre-registration)	FT (Full time)	22/09/2025	Taught (HEI)

Education provider	University College London		
Case reference	CAS-01716-C6V0K8	Lead visitors	Claire Langman Joanna Lemanska
Quality of provision			
Through this assessment, we have noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The programme meets all the relevant HCPC education standards and therefore should be approved. 			
Facilities provided			
Education and training delivered by this institution is underpinned by the provision of the following key facilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two members of staff will be involved in the delivery and management of the programme. One member of our administrative team will support the programme. One member of staff will be course director. No physical resources are required for teaching as this will all take place online. An online teaching site has already been set up. We have the required space for an in person assessment at the end of the programme. 			
Programmes			
Programme name	Mode of study	First intake date	Nature of provision
Hearing aid aptitude test	DL (Distance learning)	22/09/2025	Taught (HEI)

2. PERFORMANCE REVIEW

a. Review period for institutions that have been subject to the performance review process: None

3. FOCUSED REVIEW

a. Institutions/programmes subject to the focused review process, where no further action is recommended

For each provider listed, the executive team has judged that the trigger investigated does not impact on our education standards being met. Education providers and any case contacts have not supplied observations for these recommendations, meaning they do not object to the recommendations made.

The Panel is asked to consider the information in the enclosure and to approve the recommendation that no further action is required.

Education provider	Review level	Review recommendation	Enclosure
University of Sunderland	Both	No further action	3a

b. Institutions/programmes subjected to the focused review process, where referral to another process is recommended

For each provider listed, the executive team has judged that the trigger investigated should be referred to another process for consideration. Education providers and any case contacts have not supplied observations for these recommendations, meaning they do not object to the recommendations made.

The Panel is asked to consider information in the enclosure(s) and to approve the recommended referral to another process as set out in the table below.

Education provider	Review level	Review recommendation	Enclosure
University of Bedfordshire	Programme(s)	Refer to Focused Review	3b

4. RECORD CHANGES – PROVIDER CONSENT

Education providers have provided consent to make administrative changes to programme records as listed below. Programmes in this section are either:

- closing/have closed to new cohorts; or
- opening to replace an existing programme record.

The Panel is asked to confirm the administrative changes to the list of approved programmes as set out in the table below.

Education provider	Programme name	Mode of study	First intake date	Last intake date	Reason for change
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) Applied Biomedical Science	FT (Full time)	01/09/2007		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) Applied Biomedical Science	PT (Part time)	01/09/2007	30/09/2015	Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) Applied Biomedical Science (Sandwich)	FT (Full time)	01/03/2012		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) Degree Apprenticeship in Operating Department Practice	FT (Full time)	01/09/2020		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) in Operating Department Practice	FT (Full time)	01/08/2021		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy	PT (Part time)	01/05/1995	30/09/2005	Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy	FT (Full time)	01/05/1995		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy Degree Apprenticeship	FT (Full time)	01/09/2021		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy	FT (Full time)	01/09/1995		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy	PT (Part time)	01/09/2004	31/12/2006	Education provider records correction

Education provider	Programme name	Mode of study	First intake date	Last intake date	Reason for change
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Diploma of Higher Education Operating Department Practice	FT (Full time)	01/09/2001	30/09/2020	Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Doctor of Sport and Exercise Psychology	FT (Full time)	01/10/2025		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Doctor of Sport and Exercise Psychology	PT (Part time)	01/10/2025		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	MSc Occupational Therapy (Pre-registration)	FT (Full time)	01/09/2003		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	MSc Physiotherapy (Pre-registration)	FT (Full time)	01/01/2004		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Non-Medical Prescribing Programme (level 7) (Supplementary Prescribing)	PT (Part time)	01/03/2020		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Non-Medical Prescribing Programme (level 6) (Supplementary Prescribing)	PT (Part time)	01/03/2020		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Non-Medical Prescribing Programme (level 6) (Supplementary Prescribing, Independent Prescribing)	PT (Part time)	01/03/2020		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Non-Medical Prescribing Programme (level 7) (Supplementary Prescribing, Independent Prescribing)	PT (Part time)	01/03/2020		Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Prescribing for Non Medical Health Professionals	PT (Part time)	01/04/2006	31/01/2019	Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Prescribing for Non Medical Health Professionals	FT (Full time)	01/04/2006	31/05/2015	Education provider records correction
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	Prescribing for Non-Medical Health Professionals	PT (Part time)	01/02/2014	31/01/2019	Education provider records correction

Education provider	Programme name	Mode of study	First intake date	Last intake date	Reason for change
The University of Bolton	BSc (Hons) Operating Department Practice	FT (Full time)	01/01/2019	16/09/2024	Education provider name change
The University of Bolton	BSc (Hons) Paramedic Practice	FT (Full time)	01/09/2021	02/09/2024	Education provider name change
The University of Bolton	BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy	FT (Full time)	01/09/2020	23/09/2024	Education provider name change
The University of Bolton	Degree Apprenticeship for Operating Department Practitioners - Level 6	FT (Full time)	01/01/2019	16/09/2024	Education provider name change
The University of Bolton	MSc Physiotherapy (pre-registration)	FT (Full time)	01/01/2020	23/09/2024	Education provider name change
The University of Bolton	Non-Medical Prescribing IP and/or SP (HE6)	PT (Part time)	01/01/2014	06/10/2024	Education provider name change
The University of Bolton	Non-Medical Prescribing IP and/or SP (HE7)	PT (Part time)	01/01/2014	06/10/2024	Education provider name change
University of Greater Manchester	BSc (Hons) Operating Department Practice	FT (Full time)	22/04/2025		Education provider name change
University of Greater Manchester	BSc (Hons) Operating Department Practice Degree Apprenticeship	FT (Full time)	15/09/2025		Education provider name change
University of Greater Manchester	BSc (Hons) Paramedic Practice	FT (Full time)	01/09/2025		Education provider name change
University of Greater Manchester	BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy	FT (Full time)	22/09/2025		Education provider name change
University of Greater Manchester	MSc Physiotherapy (pre-registration)	FT (Full time)	22/09/2025		Education provider name change
University of Greater Manchester	Non-Medical Prescribing IP and/or SP (HE6)	PT (Part time)	08/01/2025		Education provider name change
University of Greater Manchester	Non-Medical Prescribing IP and/or SP (HE7)	PT (Part time)	08/01/2025		Education provider name change