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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Anglia Ruskin University
Programme name	Advanced Non-Medical Prescribing (level 7)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Alison Wishart (Chiropodist / podiatrist) David Rovardi (Independent prescribing)
HCPC executive	Mandy Hargood
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

The Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) approve education programmes in the UK which health and care professionals must complete before they can apply to be registered with us.

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The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

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Section one: Programme details

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HCPC executive	Mandy Hargood
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Anglia Ruskin University
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing (level 6)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Alison Wishart (Chiropodist / podiatrist) David Rovardi (Independent prescribing)
HCPC executive	Mandy Hargood
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Name of education provider	Anglia Ruskin University
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing (Level 6) (SP only)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement	Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Alison Wishart (Chiropodist / podiatrist) David Rovardi (Independent prescribing)
HCPC executive	Mandy Hargood
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Bangor University
Programme name	Non medical / Independent prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Deborah Railton (Independent prescribing) Paul Bates (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Ruth Wood
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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- QA monitoring
- Welsh language scheme
- Assessment procedures
- External examiner reports and responses
- Bangor University / School of Healthcare Sciences
- School IPE strategy
- Letter to successful students
- Timetable
- Advertising flyer

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C.5 The curriculum must make sure that students understand the implications of the HCPC's standards of conduct, performance and ethics on their prescribing practice.

Reason: Within the documentation submitted the visitors could not find any references to the HCPC standards of conduct, performance and ethics and therefore could not determine that the curriculum ensures students understand the implication of the standards on their independent prescribing practice. The mapping document refers to appendices 8, 11 and 13. Appendices 8 and 11 do not directly refer to the standards and appendix 13 is missing. Therefore, the visitors require further evidence to demonstrate this standard is met.

Suggested documentation: Further evidence to demonstrate how the programme curriculum ensures students understand the implications of the HCPC's standards of conduct, performance and ethics on their independent prescribing practice.

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Section six: Visitors' comments

The visitors noted that the documentation referred to CRB checks and processes. The visitors note that the process used now is the Disclosure and Barring Service and so this should be reflected within the documentation.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Bournemouth University
Programme name	Supplementary and Independent Prescribing For Physiotherapists and Chiropodists / Podiatristsng)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Alison Wishart (Chiropodist / podiatrist) David Rovardi (Independent prescribing)
HCPC executive	Mandy Hargood
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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	City University
Programme name	Independent and Supplementary Non-Medical Prescribing Programme (V300)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Nicola Carey (Independent prescribing) Marcus Bailey (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Name of education provider	City University
Programme name	Supplementary Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Supplementary prescribing
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HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Coventry University
Programme name	Certificate in Non-Medical Prescribing (Level 3)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	David Rovardi (Independent prescribing) Alison Wishart (Chiropodist / Podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Ben Potter
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

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- Standards for prescribing mapping document

The following required documents were not provided as part of the submission:

- Extracts from assessment regulations relating to the appointment of external examiners

The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Programme application form
- Guidelines on Annual Reports from Boards of Study: 2012/13
- Board of Studies Report – October 2012

Section four: Additional documentation

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E.10 Assessment regulations must clearly specify requirements for the appointment of at least one external examiner who must be appropriately experienced and qualified and, unless other arrangements are agreed, be from a relevant part of the HCPC Register.

Reason: From the submission provided the visitors could not determine where the evidence regarding the process of appointing an external examiner to the programme was included. In particular the visitors could not identify where the assessment regulations were or the curriculum vitae of the current external examiner. As such they could not determine how the education provider ensures that at least one external examiner is appropriately experienced and qualified, and unless other arrangements are agreed from the relevant part of the HCPC register.

Suggested documentation: Documentation containing information regarding the criteria for appointment of an external examiner, such as in the assessment regulations.

Section five: Recommendation of the visitors

The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

- There is sufficient evidence to show the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and therefore that the programme be approved

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Coventry University
Programme name	Certificate in Non-Medical Prescribing (Masters Level)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	David Rovardi (Independent prescribing) Alison Wishart (Chiropodist / Podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Ben Potter
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

The Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) approve education programmes in the UK which health and care professionals must complete before they can apply to be registered with us.

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We have previously ensured that a currently running supplementary prescribing programmes at this education provider has met the standards of education and training (SETs). As this new or amended programme is based on an existing HCPC approved supplementary prescribing programme, we can be satisfied that it meets some of the standards for prescribing, which are based on the SETs.

However, we have identified some standards where we will need to make a judgement about how the introduction or modification of elements of the programme impact on the way it meets these standards.

To recommend a programme for approval, the visitors must be assured that the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and that those who complete the programme demonstrate an ability to meet the standards for all prescribers (along with the additional standards for independent prescribers where required).

Section three: Submission details

The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:

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- Standards for prescribing mapping document

The following required documents were not provided as part of the submission:

- Extracts from assessment regulations relating to the appointment of external examiners

The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Programme application form
- Guidelines on Annual Reports from Boards of Study: 2012/13
- Board of Studies Report – October 2012

Section four: Additional documentation

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	De Montfort University
Programme name	BSc Non-Medical Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemarie Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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Visitor's comments

The visitors noted that there were several typographical errors within the documentation and felt that as a result some incorrect information could be disseminated to students. The visitors suggest that the education provider reviews the documentation to ensure that these errors are remedied to ensure that the correct information is disseminated to students.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	De Montfort University
Programme name	Post Graduate Certificate Non-Medical Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemarie Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Edge Hill University
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing (Level 6)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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Section one: Programme details

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Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing (Level 7)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Edinburgh Napier University
Programme name	AHP SP – IP Conversion course
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemary Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Edinburgh Napier University
Programme name	Non Medical Prescribing for Nurses Midwives and Allied Health Professionals
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemary Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
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Programme name	Radiographer Supplementary Prescriber
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Supplementary prescribing
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HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Glasgow Caledonian University
Programme name	AHP Supplementary Prescribing to Independent Prescribing Conversion
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

The Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) approve education programmes in the UK which health and care professionals must complete before they can apply to be registered with us.

As well as approving educational programmes for individuals who want to join the Register, the HCPC approve programmes for those already on the Register.

Along with several other entitlements, we currently approve programmes to allow:

- chiropodists / podiatrists, radiographers and physiotherapists to have their registration record annotated with supplementary prescribing; and
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We have previously ensured that a currently running supplementary prescribing programme at this education provider has met the standards of education and

training (SETs). As this new or amended programme is based on an existing HCPC approved supplementary prescribing programme, we can be satisfied that it meets some of the standards for prescribing, which are based on the SETs. However, we have identified some standards where we will need to make a judgement about how the introduction or modification of elements of the programme impact on the way it meets these standards.

To recommend a programme for approval, the visitors must be assured that the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and that those who complete the programme demonstrate an ability to meet the standards for all prescribers (along with the additional standards for independent prescribers where required).

Section three: Submission details

The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:

- Information for applicants (eg advertising materials, admissions / entry criteria)
- Programme specification
- Student handbook
- Information about programme and management team structure, including staff CVs
- Module descriptors
- Extracts from practice placement documents
- Extracts from assessment regulations relating to student progression and external examiners
- Standards for prescribing mapping document

The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Designated Medical Practitioner Programme Handbook
- University Assessment Regulations 2013-14

Section four: Additional documentation

- The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
- The visitors agreed that additional documentation was required in order to make a recommendation. The standards for which additional documentation is requested are listed below with reasons for the request.

Section five: Recommendation of the visitors

The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

- There is sufficient evidence to show the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and therefore that the programme be approved
- There is insufficient evidence to determine if or how the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing. Therefore, a visit is recommended to gather more evidence, and if required place conditions on approval of the programme

Section six: Visitors' comments

The visitors suggest that the programme team updates their admissions documentation to ensure that it clearly differentiates between programme levels (level 9, 10 and 11) so that students have enough information to make an informed decision about whether to take up an offer on the programme.

The visitors also noted that there were references to the HCPC's former name, the Health Professions Council (HPC) in the documentation and that, in some cases, the programme documentation stated that the programme would prepare allied health professionals as "supplementary prescribers". This is incorrect as this programme will enable chiropodists / podiatrists and physiotherapists to have their registration record annotated with independent prescribing.

Therefore the visitors suggest that the programme team update their documentation to ensure that the terminology used is accurate, consistent and reflective of the language associated with statutory regulation and the HCPC.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Glasgow Caledonian University
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing SCQF Level 10
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescriber) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

The Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) approve education programmes in the UK which health and care professionals must complete before they can apply to be registered with us.

As well as approving educational programmes for individuals who want to join the Register, the HCPC approve programmes for those already on the Register.

Along with several other entitlements, we currently approve programmes to allow:

- chiropodists / podiatrists, radiographers and physiotherapists to have their registration record annotated with supplementary prescribing; and
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We have previously ensured that a currently running supplementary prescribing programme at this education provider has met the standards of education and

training (SETs). As this new or amended programme is based on an existing HCPC approved supplementary prescribing programme, we can be satisfied that it meets some of the standards for prescribing, which are based on the SETs. However, we have identified some standards where we will need to make a judgement about how the introduction or modification of elements of the programme impact on the way it meets these standards.

To recommend a programme for approval, the visitors must be assured that the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and that those who complete the programme demonstrate an ability to meet the standards for all prescribers (along with the additional standards for independent prescribers where required).

Section three: Submission details

The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:

- Information for applicants (eg advertising materials, admissions / entry criteria)
- Programme specification
- Student handbook
- Information about programme and management team structure, including staff CVs
- Module descriptors
- Extracts from practice placement documents
- Extracts from assessment regulations relating to student progression and external examiners
- Standards for prescribing mapping document

The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Designated Medical Practitioner Programme Handbook
- University Assessment Regulations 2013-14

Section four: Additional documentation

- The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
- The visitors agreed that additional documentation was required in order to make a recommendation. The standards for which additional documentation is requested are listed below with reasons for the request.

Section five: Recommendation of the visitors

The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

- There is sufficient evidence to show the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and therefore that the programme be approved
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Section six: Visitors' comments

The visitors suggest that the programme team updates their admissions documentation to ensure that it clearly differentiates between programme levels (level 9, 10 and 11) so that students have enough information to make an informed decision about whether to take up an offer on the programme.

The visitors also noted that there were references to the HCPC's former name, the Health Professions Council (HPC) in the documentation and that, in some cases, the programme documentation stated that the programme would prepare allied health professionals as "supplementary prescribers". This is incorrect as this programme will enable chiropodists / podiatrists and physiotherapists to have their registration record annotated with independent prescribing.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Glasgow Caledonian University
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing SCQF Level 11
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

The Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) approve education programmes in the UK which health and care professionals must complete before they can apply to be registered with us.

As well as approving educational programmes for individuals who want to join the Register, the HCPC approve programmes for those already on the Register.

Along with several other entitlements, we currently approve programmes to allow:

- chiropodists / podiatrists, radiographers and physiotherapists to have their registration record annotated with supplementary prescribing; and
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We have previously ensured that a currently running supplementary prescribing programme at this education provider has met the standards of education and

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To recommend a programme for approval, the visitors must be assured that the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and that those who complete the programme demonstrate an ability to meet the standards for all prescribers (along with the additional standards for independent prescribers where required).

Section three: Submission details

The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:

- Information for applicants (eg advertising materials, admissions / entry criteria)
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- Module descriptors
- Extracts from practice placement documents
- Extracts from assessment regulations relating to student progression and external examiners
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The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

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Section four: Additional documentation

- The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
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Section five: Recommendation of the visitors

The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

- There is sufficient evidence to show the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and therefore that the programme be approved
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Section six: Visitors' comments

The visitors suggest that the programme team updates their admissions documentation to ensure that it clearly differentiates between programme levels (level 9, 10 and 11) so that students have enough information to make an informed decision about whether to take up an offer on the programme.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Glasgow Caledonian University
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing SCQF Level 9
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

The Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) approve education programmes in the UK which health and care professionals must complete before they can apply to be registered with us.

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Section three: Submission details

The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:

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The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

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- University Assessment Regulations 2013-14

Section four: Additional documentation

- The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
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Section five: Recommendation of the visitors

The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

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Section six: Visitors' comments

The visitors suggest that the programme team updates their admissions documentation to ensure that it clearly differentiates between programme levels (level 9, 10 and 11) so that students have enough information to make an informed decision about whether to take up an offer on the programme.

The visitors also noted that there were references to the HCPC's former name, the Health Professions Council (HPC) in the documentation and that, in some cases, the programme documentation stated that the programme would prepare allied health professionals as "supplementary prescribers". This is incorrect as this programme will enable chiropodists / podiatrists and physiotherapists to have their registration record annotated with independent prescribing.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Keele University
Programme name	Independent and Supplementary Prescribing for Allied Health Professionals
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist) Rosemarie Furner (Independent prescribing)
HCPC executive	Mandy Hargood
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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As well as approving educational programmes for individuals who want to join the Register, the HCPC approve programmes for those already on the Register.

Along with several other entitlements, we currently approve programmes to allow:

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We have previously ensured that a currently running supplementary prescribing programme(s) at this education provider have met the standards of education and training (SETs). As this new or amended programme is based on an existing

HCPC approved supplementary prescribing programme, we can be satisfied that it meets some of the standards for prescribing, which are based on the SETs. However, we have identified some standards where we will need to make a judgement about how the introduction or modification of elements of the programme impact on the way it meets these standards.

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Section three: Submission details

The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:

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- Programme specification
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- Module descriptors
- Extracts from practice placement documents
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- Standards for prescribing mapping document

The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Placement Information and Review Audit (PIRA) document
- School of health and rehabilitation local strategic plan
- Local strategic plan school of nursing and midwifery

Section four: Additional documentation

- The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
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Section five: Recommendation of the visitors

The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

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Section six: Visitors' comments

The visitors noted that there were several typographical errors within the documentation and felt that as a result some incorrect information could be disseminated to students. The visitors suggest that the education provider reviews the documentation to ensure that these errors are remedied to ensure that the correct information is disseminated to students.

The visitors would also suggest that the timetable for the students could better reflect the programme by including the member of teaching staff delivering the component of the programme.

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Name of education provider	London South Bank University
Programme name	Conversion to Independent Prescribing for Physiotherapists and Podiatrist Supplementary Prescribers
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Deborah Railton (Independent prescribing) Paul Bates (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Ruth Wood
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:

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The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Faculty business plan excerpts
- Primary and Social Care department business plan excerpts
- Practice Audit Tool

Section four: Additional documentation

- The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
- The visitors agreed that additional documentation was required in order to make a recommendation. The standards for which additional documentation is requested are listed below with reasons for the request.

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Name of education provider	London South Bank University
Programme name	Postgraduate Certificate in Non-Medical Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Deborah Railton (Independent prescribing) Paul Bates (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Ruth Wood
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:

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The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Faculty business plan excerpts
- Primary and Social Care department business plan excerpts
- Example timetable
- Practice Audit Tool
- Programme monitoring report

Section four: Additional documentation

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Medway School of Pharmacy
Name of awarding / validating body	University of Greenwich University of Kent
Programme name	Postgraduate Certificate in Independent and Supplementary Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Distance learning
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Emma Quinn (Independent prescribing) Robert Dobson (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Amal Hussein
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:
Information for applicants (eg advertising materials, admissions / entry criteria)

- Programme specification
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The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Drug calculations and BNF support materials
- Module 1 sample material
- Sample of numeracy handbook
- Tutor visit form
- Half- way support observation form
- Log of hours
- DMP sign off
- Sample study day programme

Section four: Additional documentation

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Sheffield Hallam University
Programme name	Non-medical prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Nicola Carey (Independent prescribing) Marcus Bailey (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

The Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) approve education programmes in the UK which health and care professionals must complete before they can apply to be registered with us.

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The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Designated Medical Practitioner (DMP) Handbook (Level 6 & 7)
- Non-Medical Prescribing Definitive Document
- Non-Medical Prescribing application form 2013 – 14
- Non-medical Prescribing - September 2013 cohort timetable
- Fitness to Practise Operational Guidelines for staff
- Fitness to Practise regulations
- External examiner reports 2011 – 12 and 2012 – 13
- Internal moderation document

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Sheffield Hallam University
Programme name	Non-medical prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Nicola Carey (Independent prescribing) Marcus Bailey (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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To recommend a programme for approval, the visitors must be assured that the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and that those who complete the programme demonstrate an ability to meet the standards for all prescribers (along with the additional standards for independent prescribers where required).

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The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Designated Medical Practitioner (DMP) Handbook (Level 6 & 7)
- Non-Medical Prescribing Definitive Document
- Non-Medical Prescribing application form 2013 – 14
- Non-medical Prescribing - September 2013 cohort timetable
- Fitness to Practise Operational Guidelines for staff
- Fitness to Practise regulations
- External examiner reports 2011 – 12 and 2012 – 13
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Section four: Additional documentation

- The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Teesside University
Programme name	Advancing from Supplementary to Independent Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Deborah Railton (Independent prescribing) Gordon Burrow (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Nicola Baker
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

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Programme name	Advancing Non Medical Prescribing (postgraduate)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Deborah Railton (Independent prescribing) Gordon Burrow (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Nicola Baker
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
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Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Name of education provider	The Robert Gordon University
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing (SCQF 11)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Nicola Carey (Independent prescribing) Marcus Bailey (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing (SCVQG Level 9)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Nicola Carey (Independent prescribing) Marcus Bailey (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Name of education provider	University of Bolton
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing IP and/or SP (HE6)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of Bolton
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing IP and/or SP (HE7)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Name of education provider	University of Bolton
Programme name	Non-Medical Supplementary Prescribing (Radiographer)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Name of education provider	University Campus Suffolk
Name of awarding / validating body	Universities of East Anglia and Essex
Programme name	Non-Medical Independent and/or Supplementary Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Alison Wishart (Chiropodist / podiatrist) David Rovardi (Independent prescribing)
HCPC executive	Mandy Hargood
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- The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
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Section five: Recommendation of the visitors

The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

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Section six: Visitors' comments

The visitors were satisfied that the programme team reflected in the documentation are appropriately qualified and experienced to deliver an effective independent prescribing programme. The visitors suggest that the education provider could further support the delivery of the programme by ensuring that chiropodists / podiatrists and physiotherapist have access to prescribers from their profession, for any profession specific issues regarding prescribing.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of Brighton
Programme name	Supplementary Prescriber to Independent Prescriber Conversion Programme
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of Brighton
Programme name	Independent Prescribing (1)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of Central Lancashire
Programme name	Advanced Certificate Non Medical Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemary Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section six: Visitors' comments

The visitors noted that there were references to the HCPC's former name, the Health Professions Council (HPC) in the documentation. The visitors also noted that the annual monitoring documentation provided was for the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) only. The visitors suggest that the programme team update their documentation to ensure that the terminology used is accurate, consistent and reflective of the language associated with statutory regulation and the HCPC.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of Chester
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemary Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of Chester
Programme name	Supplementary Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemary Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of Cumbria
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing for AHPs (level 6) (Conversion)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemarie Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executives	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

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Mode of delivery	Part time
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Mode of delivery	Part time
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Section one: Programme details

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Relevant entitlements	Supplementary prescribing Independent prescribing
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Programme name	University Award Non-Medical Prescribing for AHPs (level 7) (Supplementary Prescribing)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement	Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemarie Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / Podiatrist)
HCPC executives	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

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Programme name	University Award Non-Medical Prescribing for AHPs (level 7) (with SP pathway and IP pathway)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Supplementary prescribing Independent prescribing
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Programme name	Practice Certificate in Independent Prescribing (for Physiotherapists / Podiatrists)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

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Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Supplementary prescribing
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HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
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Programme name	Allied Health Professional Independent and Supplementary Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Deborah Railton (Independent prescribing) Gordon Burrow (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Nicola Baker
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Programme name	Supplementary Prescribing to Independent Prescribing Level 6
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Gemma Quinn (Independent prescribing) Robert Dobson (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Amal Hussein
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

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Name of education provider	University of Salford
Programme name	Non-medical Prescribing – Independent Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Supplementary prescribing Independent prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Nicola Carey (Independent prescribing) Marcus Bailey (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

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- Short timetable 2014
- CPD Apply Modules spreadsheet 2013-14

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The visitors noted that whilst the majority of the documentation had been updated to reflect the changes to prescribing legislation, an aim of the programme, as stated in the programme handbook (level seven) only referred to "prepar[ing] pharmacists to prescribe safely, appropriately and cost-effectively as either a supplementary and/or an independent prescriber" (page 3). The visitors therefore suggest that this is updated to ensure that all documentation is accurate and reflective of the recent changes to prescribing legislation.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of Southampton
Programme name	Independent and Supplementary Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Nicola Carey (Independent prescribing) Marcus Bailey (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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To recommend a programme for approval, the visitors must be assured that the programme meets the standards for education providers part of the standards for prescribing, and that those who complete the programme demonstrate an ability to meet the standards for all prescribers (along with the additional standards for independent prescribers where required).

Section three: Submission details

The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:

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- Standards for prescribing mapping document

The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Assessment Framework
- Admissions Regulations
- Programme Regulations
- Letter invitation to the programme briefing
- Application form
- Screen shot of Designated Medical Practitioners (DMP) and managers' sharepoint support site
- Screenshot - Organisation and Delivery of Care Research Group webpage
- Screenshot - Faculty webpages advertising the programme
- Flowchart for student admissions and notification of non-attendance

Section four: Additional documentation

- The visitors agreed that no further documentation was required in order to make a recommendation.
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Section five: Recommendation of the visitors

The visitors agreed to recommend to the Education and Training Committee that:

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The visitors noted that there were references to the HCPC's former name, the Health Professions Council (HPC) in the documentation. The visitors suggest that the programme team update their documentation to ensure that the terminology used is accurate, consistent, and reflective of the language associated with statutory regulation and the HCPC.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Stirling University
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing (Supplementary and Independent Prescribing)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Nicola Carey (Independent prescribing) Marcus Bailey (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Student application pack
- Designated Medical Practitioners information
- Portfolio of evidence assessment
- Student Enrolment and Completion Figures
- Minutes of meetings of the Scottish Higher Education Institution's (HEI's) Prescribing Leads Network
- Academic Quality and Standards Handbook
- Non-medical prescribing home page detailing the units that student access via their Virtual Learning Environment

Section four: Additional documentation

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The visitors noted that there were references to the HCPC's former name, the Health Professions Council (HPC) in the documentation. The visitors also noted in the advertising information for prospective applicants, that the HCPC professions are not referred to in regards to the aim of the programme, "to prepare nurses and midwives to prescribe safely, appropriately, and cost-effectively as independent and supplementary prescribers" (page 3). Additionally, this document refers to the preparation of podiatrists and physiotherapists as independent prescribers, rather than as supplementary and independent prescribers (page 5). The visitors therefore suggest that the programme team update their documentation to ensure that the terminology in use is accurate, consistent and reflective of the language associated with statutory regulation and the HCPC, and of current legislation regarding prescribing.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Stirling University
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing (Supplementary Prescribing Only)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Nicola Carey (Independent prescribing) Marcus Bailey (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Louise Devlin
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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The following required documents were provided as part of the submission:
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Section five: Recommendation of the visitors

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	Bangor University
Programme name	Supplementary to Independent Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Deborah Railton (Independent prescribing) Paul Bates (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Ruth Wood
Date of assessment day	1 November 2013

Section two: Executive summary

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- Module descriptors
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- Standards for prescribing mapping document

The following additional documents were also provided as part of the submission:

- Approval document
- Welsh Language Scheme
- Assessment procedures
- Bangor University / School of Healthcare Sciences Policies
- Letter to successful students

Section four: Additional documentation

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C.5 The curriculum must make sure that students understand the implications of the HCPC's standards of conduct, performance and ethics on their prescribing practice.

Reason: Within the documentation submitted the visitors could not find any references to the HCPC standards of conduct, performance and ethics and therefore could not determine that the curriculum ensures students understand the implication of the standards on their independent prescribing practice. The mapping document refers to appendices 8, 11 and 13. Appendices 8 and 11 do not directly refer to the standards and appendix 13 is missing. Therefore, the visitors require further evidence to demonstrate this standard is met.

Suggested documentation: Further evidence to demonstrate how the programme curriculum ensures students understand the implications of the HCPC's standards of conduct, performance and ethics on their independent prescribing practice.

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Section six: Visitors' comments

The visitors noted that the documentation referred to CRB checks and processes. The visitors note that the process used now is the Disclosure and Barring Service and so this should be reflected within the documentation.

The visitors noted the education provider submitted documentation for the programme in full. The visitors however also noted that for particular documents (module handbooks) they had only provided a copy designated for physiotherapists. They noted that providing the copies for the other professionals taking the programme would have been useful. The visitors also noted some appendices referred to were not included with the submission.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of the West of England, Bristol
Programme name	Prescribing Principles (Level 3)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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The visitors noted in the documentation provided that the education provider expects a 100 per cent attendance for this programme and a register will be kept. The application form in appendix 1 states "I have discussed with my mentor and my manager how the required 90 hours of supervised learning and the 5 directed learning days will be achieved". However in Appendix 2, the visitors noted the prescribing programme structure stated 15 days of taught teaching and 5 mandatory learning days. These statements could mislead students about mandatory attendance on the programme. Therefore, the visitors suggest that the programme team updates the programme documentation to ensure that it clearly states the rationale and requirement for attendance. This is to ensure that students have enough information to make an informed decision about whether to take up an offer on the programme.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of the West of England, Bristol
Programme name	Prescribing Principles (Level M)
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of the West of England, Bristol
Programme name	Principles of Supplementary Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlements	Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Michael Minns (Independent prescribing) Glyn Harding (Paramedic)
HCPC executive	Abdur Razzaq
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of the West of Scotland
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Flexible
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemary Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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The visitors noted that there were references to the HCPC's former name, the Health Professions Council (HPC) in the documentation. The visitors suggest that the programme team update their documentation to ensure that the terminology used is accurate, consistent and reflective of the language associated with statutory regulation and the HCPC.

The visitors noted in the documentation, how competencies for non-medical prescribers will be achieved. However, at times, NMP specific competencies were not clear. Therefore the visitors suggest the programme team clearly articulates competencies for non-medical prescribers in the documentation to avoid confusion for those who are involved in the programme.

The visitors noted that throughout the documentation there were references to the availability of the programme for radiographers. For example the v300 programme Handbook states that "The Non-Medical Prescribing (V300) modules are available part time to nurses, midwives, podiatrists, radiographers and physiotherapists." However it was not made clear throughout the documentation that radiographers will only be able to gain the supplementary prescribing (SP) entitlement. As the programme handbook will be used for all allied health professionals completing the programme, the visitors suggest that the education provider revisits the documentation to make this distinction clear throughout.

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Section one: Programme details

Name of education provider	University of the West of Scotland
Programme name	Non-Medical Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemary Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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Programme name	Advanced Non-Medical Prescribing
Mode of delivery	Part time
Relevant entitlement(s)	Independent prescribing Supplementary prescribing
Name of HCPC visitors and visitor role	Rosemary Furner (Independent prescribing) Paul Blakeman (Chiropodist / podiatrist)
HCPC executive	Hollie Latham
Date of assessment day	7 November 2013

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