

Supporting Quality and Educational Capacity in Primary and Integrated Care

Key Messages for the Council of Deans of Health to share with their members

Thank you for your support at the Council of Deans of Health in order to assist quality and educational capacity in primary and community care. Your contribution in the stakeholder group has been vital throughout.

These are the key messages the primary and integrated care HEE team are asking the Council of Deans to share with their members.

Key Messages

- This work links in with the HEE business plan and the manifesto commitments to increase an additional wider workforce of 26K and GP by 6K.
- To expand educational capacity and ensure quality of learning environments as well as educators for the **range of professions working with educational providers**.
- In order to expand educational capacity, processes will be seamless and applicable **at scale**, utilising the additional **support of Training Hubs**. The approach will be risk-based in line with other approval processes.
- Opportunities to approve learning environments and educators **at scale across a geography** for example a PCN/ICS rather than individual practices.
- Allowing learners to gain **experience in primary and Integrated care**.
- Allowing **HEIs to access more placements** in primary care working with Training Hubs.
- Environments on a larger footprint than practices can apply for recognition, such as Primary Care Networks (PCNs), including care homes and district nursing centres, as well GP practices and community pharmacies applying as a network with a lead educator.
- This provides an opportunity to provide a breadth and depth of experience across a geography such as a PCN.
- This work is aligned to the HEE quality framework which demonstrates our commitment to continuously improve quality through national and regional action plans that illustrate the impact of our quality framework and quality management activities. This is critical to achieving our goal of high-quality education and training to ensure safer patient care.

- All regions are engaged with the process of enabling Training Hubs to support HEE in its quality management processes in primary and integrated care.
- Some **Training Hubs** are working closely with HEIs on coordinating and managing approval processes, as well as making recommendations on recognition of educational environments and educators.
- Training hubs have a pivotal role to play in implementing this risk-based approach. A current procurement exercise of training hubs is underway with a clear expectation that training hubs will support approval of learning environments and educators. KPIs are written for this to monitor and measure the expansion.
- There is also good engagement with and support for this stream of work between the national primary and integrated care team, HEE quality team, regulators (GMC, HCPC, NMC) and the Council of Deans of Health.

If you have any questions or require any further details, please contact your local HEE Training Hub team