

Programme Major Modification report

Section one

<p>Programme provider name:</p>	<p>The Open University</p>
<p>Programmes reviewed: <i>This is the NMC programme title(s)</i></p>	<p><i>Pre-registration nurse qualification leading to</i> Registered Nurse – Adult <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse – Children’s <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse - Learning Disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse - Mental Health <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Nursing Degree Apprenticeship (NDA) route</i> NDA Adult <input type="checkbox"/> NDA Children’s <input type="checkbox"/> NDA Learning Disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> NDA Mental Health <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Dual award - pre-registration nursing</i> Dual award - adult/mental health <input type="checkbox"/> Dual award - adult/children’s <input type="checkbox"/> Dual award - adult/learning disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Dual award - mental health/learning disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Dual award - mental health/children’s <input type="checkbox"/> Dual award - learning disabilities/children’s <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>AEI programme title(s):</p>	
<p>Current AEI programme title(s): <i>Please include all currently approved programme titles</i></p>	<p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult) BSc (Hons) Nursing (Children and Young People) BSc (Hons) Nursing (Mental health) BSc (Hons) Nursing (Learning Disabilities) BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult) – Nursing Degree Apprenticeship BSc (Hons) Nursing (Mental Health) – Nursing Degree Apprenticeship BSc (Hons) Nursing (Learning Disabilities) – Nursing Degree Apprenticeship BSc (Hons) Nursing (Children and Young People) – Nursing Degree Apprenticeship</p>

<p>Modified AEI programme title(s) if applicable: <i>Please include new title(s) if current AEI programme title(s) are being modified as a result of this modification or add N/A</i></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Additional AEI programme title(s) if applicable: <i>Please include any additional AEI programme title(s) for approval as a result of this modification (for example new routes being added that have a different title to those already approved) or add N/A</i></p>	<p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult) in partnership with Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust</p> <p>BSc (Hons) Nursing (Children and Young People) in partnership with Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust</p>
<p>Academic levels of current programme:</p>	
<p>Registered Nurse – Adult</p>	<p>England, Wales, Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Level 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 7</p> <p>SCQF <input type="checkbox"/> Level 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 11</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
<p>Registered Nurse – Children’s</p>	<p>England, Wales, Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Level 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 7</p> <p>SCQF <input type="checkbox"/> Level 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 11</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
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<p>Registered Nurse - Mental Health</p>	<p>England, Wales, Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Level 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 7</p>

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Academic levels of modified/additional programme(s)/route(s):	
Registered Nurse – Adult	<p>England, Wales, Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Level 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 7</p> <p>SCQF</p>

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Programme approval dates:	
Date of NMC approval of the programme being modified: <i>This is the approval date under the most recent NMC standards.</i>	17 June 2020
Date(s) of NMC approval of any modifications since last approval:	6 January 2021 12 January 2021 (programme endorsement)
Programme start dates:	
Current modification programme start date:	
RN – Adult	1 February 2023
RN – Children’s	1 February 2023
RN - Learning Disabilities	
RN - Mental Health	
NDA Adult	
NDA Children’s	
NDA Learning Disabilities	
NDA Mental Health	
Dual award - Adult/Mental Health	
Dual award - Adult/Children’s	
Dual award - Adult/Learning Disabilities	

Dual award – Mental Health/Learning Disabilities	
Dual award – Mental Health/Children’s	
Dual award – Learning Disabilities/Children’s	
Date of modification:	13 July 2022
Type of modification:	Visit
QA visitor(s):	Registrant Visitor: Joanne Benn

Section two

Summary of review and findings

The Open University (OU) school of health, wellbeing and social care, is an established Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) approved education institution (AEI), delivering pre- and post-registration programmes.

The pre-registration nursing programme was approved by the NMC on 17 June 2020. There's a full-time direct entry three-year undergraduate Bachelor of Science with Honours (BSc (Hons)) in the adult, children and young people, mental health and learning disabilities fields of nursing. There's a BSc (Hons) nursing degree apprenticeship in the adult, children and young people, mental health and learning disabilities fields of nursing delivered over four years.

A major modification to deliver the OUs approved full-time, direct entry adult (blended learning) nursing route in partnership with two AEIs in England was approved by the NMC on 6 January 2021. A further endorsement modification to deliver the approved full-time mental health and learning disabilities nursing routes in Guernsey was approved by the NMC on 12 January 2021.

The OU is seeking approval to deliver the approved BSc (Hons) nursing adult and child and young people direct entry routes, full-time in partnership with Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (OUH). Approval of OUH as a satellite site is presented for approval. The modification is in response to the need to increase the number and retention of registered nurses to meet OUH's workforce demands. These routes will support diversity and inclusivity ensuring that there's a workforce that's representative of the local community. Both routes will be delivered on a full-time basis.

The OU will deliver the approved programme theory modules through established distance learning processes. This includes student access to library services and technological support. OUH will deliver practice modules, including teaching delivered at the John Radcliffe practice development and education teaching centre. Photographs and architectural plans evidence a well-equipped simulation suite to enable students to undertake the OUs approved 412 simulation-based practice learning hours.

OUH will be responsible for arranging and coordinating practice learning. There are new practice learning partners (PLPs) who will provide practice learning placements. A signed placement agreement between the OU and OUH is in place.

There are no changes to the approved programme. Learning outcomes, content, assessments and structure are unchanged. Assessment, moderation, assessment boards and external examiner processes are also unchanged.

OU and OUH operational teams present extensive documentary evidence to support the modification. Documentary evidence and the modification process confirm an effective approach to developing the partnership that involves working at strategic and operational levels with working groups focusing on key performance indicators. There's evidence of a commitment to engage in effective partnership working with service users and carers (SUCs) and students who are members of operational groups.

The OU and OUH provide evidence of a partnership working approach address any Care Quality Commission (CQC) concerns through action plans and exceptional reporting to the NMC.

This approval visit is undertaken by remote means.

The Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education (SFNME) (NMC, 2018) is met. The Standards for student support and assessment (SSSA) (NMC, 2018) aren't met at programme level.

The modification is recommended to the NMC for approval subject to one condition. No recommendations are made.

Update 4 August 2022:

The NMC condition is now met.
The SSSA are now met at programme level.

The modification is recommended to the NMC for approval.

Recommended outcome of the approval panel	
Recommended outcome to the NMC:	<p>Programme is recommended to the NMC for approval <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Programme is recommended for approval subject to specific conditions being met <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Recommended to refuse approval of the programme <input type="checkbox"/></p>
Conditions:	<p>Effective partnership working: collaboration, culture, communication and resources: None identified.</p> <p>Selection, admission and progression: None identified.</p> <p>Practice learning:</p>

	<p>Condition one: The OU in partnership with OUH must clarify the communication process that ensures practice assessors have oversight of student performance during simulation that contributes to NMC practice hours. (SSSA R7.7; Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes (SPNP) R4.2)</p> <p>Assessment, fitness for practice and award: None identified.</p> <p>Education governance: management and quality assurance: None identified.</p>
Date condition(s) to be met:	27 July 2022
Recommendations to enhance the programme delivery:	None identified.
Focused areas for future monitoring:	Communication process that ensures practice assessors have oversight of student performance during simulation that contributes to NMC practice hours.

Programme is recommended for approval subject to specific conditions being met	
Commentary post review of evidence against conditions:	
<p>Documentary evidence clearly identifies the role of practice supervisor in providing feedback on student performance during simulation sessions that contribute to NMC practice learning hours. There are mechanisms in place to ensure effective communication with the practice assessor. Condition one is met.</p>	
AEI Observations	Observations have been made by the education institution YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Summary of observations made, if applicable	
Final recommendation made to NMC:	<p>Programme is recommended to the NMC for approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Recommended to refuse approval of the programme <input type="checkbox"/></p>
Date condition(s) met:	4 August 2022

Section three

NMC Programme standards
<p>Please refer to NMC standards reference points: Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes (NMC, 2018) Future nurse: Standards of proficiency for registered nurses (NMC, 2018) Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education (NMC, 2018) Standards for student supervision and assessment (NMC, 2018) The Code: Professional standards of practice and behaviour for nurses, midwives and nursing associates (NMC, 2015 updated 2018) Quality assurance framework for nursing, midwifery and nursing associate education (NMC, 2020) QA Handbook (NMC, 2020)</p>

Partnerships
<p>The AEI works in partnership with their practice learning partners, service users, students and all other stakeholders.</p>
<p>Please refer to the following NMC standards reference points for this section:</p> <p>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education (NMC, 2018)</p> <p>Standard 1: The learning culture: R1.12 ensure programmes are designed, developed, delivered, evaluated and co-produced with service users and other stakeholders R1.13 work with service providers to demonstrate and promote inter-professional learning and working</p> <p>Standard 2: Educational governance and quality: R2.2 all learning environments optimise safety and quality taking account of the diverse needs of, and working in partnership with, service users, students and all other stakeholders R2.4 comply with NMC Standards for student supervision and assessment R2.5 adopt a partnership approach with shared responsibility for theory and practice supervision, learning and assessment, including clear lines of communication and accountability for the development, delivery, quality assurance and evaluation of their programmes R2.6 ensure that recruitment and selection of students is open, fair and transparent and includes measures to understand and address underrepresentation R2.7 ensure that service users and representatives from relevant stakeholder groups are engaged in partnership in student recruitment and selection</p>

Standard 3: Student empowerment:

- R3.3 have opportunities throughout their programme to work with and learn from a range of people in a variety of practice placements, preparing them to provide care to people with diverse needs
- R3.16 have opportunities throughout their programme to collaborate and learn with and from other professionals, to learn with and from peers, and to develop supervision and leadership skills
- R3.17 receive constructive feedback throughout the programme from stakeholders with experience of the programme to promote and encourage reflective learning
- R3.18 have opportunities throughout their programme to give feedback on the quality of all aspects of their support and supervision in both theory and practice.

Standard 4: Educators and assessors:

- R4.7 liaise and collaborate with colleagues and partner organisations in their approach to supervision and assessment
- R4.9 receive and act upon constructive feedback from students and the people they engage with to enhance the effectiveness of their teaching, supervision and assessment
- R4.10 share effective practice and learn from others

Standard 5: Curricula and assessment:

- R5.4 curricula are developed and evaluated by suitably experienced and qualified educators and practitioners who are accountable for ensuring that the curriculum incorporates relevant programme outcomes
- R5.5 curricula are co-produced with stakeholders who have experience relevant to the programme
- R5.14 a range of people including service users contribute to student assessment

[Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) (NMC, 2018)

Standard 1: Organisation of practice learning:

- R1.4 there are suitable systems, processes, resources and individuals in place to ensure safe and effective coordination of learning within practice learning environments
- R1.7 students are empowered to be proactive and to take responsibility for their learning
- R1.8 students have opportunities to learn from a range of relevant people in practice learning environments, including service users, registered and non-registered individuals, and other students as appropriate

Standard 2: Expectations of practice supervisors:

- R2.2 there is support and oversight of practice supervision to ensure safe and effective learning

Standard 3: Practice supervisors: role and responsibilities:

R3.3 support and supervise students, providing feedback on their progress towards, and achievement of, proficiencies and skills

Standard 4: Practice supervisors: contribution to assessment and progression:

R4.3 have sufficient opportunities to engage with practice assessors and academic assessors to share relevant observations on the conduct, proficiency and achievement of the students they are supervising

Standard 7: Practice assessors: responsibilities:

R7.9 communication and collaboration between practice and academic assessors is scheduled for relevant points in programme structure and student progression

Standard 9: Academic assessors: responsibilities:

R9.6 communication and collaboration between academic and practice assessors is scheduled for relevant points in programme structure and student progression

Findings against the standard and requirements

Provide an evaluative summary about the effectiveness of the partnerships between the AEI and their practice learning partners, service users, students and any other stakeholders.

Documentary evidence confirms that the OU and OUH are working collaboratively to ensure that they have an effective partnership. Both OU and OUH senior managers tell us that they are fully committed to achieving effective programme delivery and quality learning experiences.

The operational handbook and programme documentation clearly identifies the governance structures for the proposed delivery and there are clear lines of accountability at operational and strategic levels. Both organisations have representation at strategic and operational levels and there are clear communication mechanisms. OU and OUH staff at strategic and operational levels tell us about the quality assurance processes that are in place to support students.

The OU and OUH have committed academic resources to support the programme. OUH have a well-established education department; staff curriculum vitae (CVs) confirms that there are appropriately qualified and experienced practitioners who will undertake practice tutor (PT) roles. CVs confirm that many have a teaching qualification. There's evidence that there's preparation for PTs and associate lecturers in place. This includes one year of shadowing activity involving OU academic staff to ensure effective orientation to the programme.

OU and OUH strategic and operational teams confirm that there are robust systems in place to mitigate and manage risk. This is supported by a clearly documented process, including the requirement to work with other local AElS who share practice learning environments. Practice supervisors and practice assessors tell us that they understand the process for escalating concerns and feel supported when doing so. There's a clear escalation of concerns process for students detailed in student facing documentation. The OUH are aware of the need to escalate any concerns following regulator visits or adverse CQC reporting; there's a clear process in place for escalation to the NMC. The OU works collaboratively with local AElS to ensure practice learning environments have a current and suitable educational audit in place.

The OU and OUH operational teams confirm that they work collaboratively with SUCs to include them in recruitment, programme development, delivery and evaluation. SUCs, along with students, are members of formal meetings within the governance structure.

Assurance is provided that the AEl works in partnership with their practice learning partners, service users, students and all other stakeholders as identified in Gateway 1: [Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education](#)

MET **NOT MET**

Assurance is provided that the AEl works in partnership with their practice learning partners, service users, students and all other stakeholders as identified in Gateway 2: [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#)

MET **NOT MET**

Post Event Review

Identify how the condition is met:

N/A

Date condition(s) met:

N/A

Revised outcome after condition(s) met:

MET **NOT MET**

N/A

Student journey through the programme

Standard 1: Selection, admission and progression

Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:

- R1.1 Confirm on entry to the programme that students:
- R1.1.1 are suitable for their intended field of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing
 - R1.1.2 demonstrate values in accordance with the Code
 - R1.1.3 have capability to learn behaviours in accordance with the Code
 - R1.1.4 have capability to develop numeracy skills required to meet programme outcomes
 - R1.1.5 can demonstrate proficiency in English language
 - R1.1.6 have capability in literacy to meet programme outcomes
 - R1.1.7 have capability for digital and technological literacy to meet programme outcomes.
- R1.2 ensure students' health and character are sufficient to enable safe and effective practice on entering the programme, throughout the programme and when submitting the supporting declaration of health and character in line with the NMC's health and character decision-making guidance. This includes satisfactory occupational health assessment and criminal record checks
- R1.3 ensure students are fully informed of the requirement to declare immediately any cautions or convictions, pending charges or adverse determinations made by other regulators, professional bodies and educational establishments, and that any declarations are dealt with promptly, fairly and lawfully
- R1.4 ensure the registered nurse responsible for directing the educational programme or their designated registered nurse substitute are able to provide supporting declarations of health and character for students who have completed a pre-registration nursing programme
- R1.5 permit recognition of prior learning that is capable of being mapped to the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes, up to a maximum of 50 percent of the programme and comply with Article 31(3) of Directive 2005/36/EC (included in annexe one of programme standards document)
- R1.6 for NMC registered nurses permit recognition of prior learning that is capable of being mapped to the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes that may be more than 50 percent of the programme
- R1.7 support students throughout the programme in continuously developing their abilities in numeracy, literacy, digital and technological literacy to meet programme outcomes, and
- R1.8 ensure that all those enrolled on pre-registration nursing programmes are compliant with Article 31(1) of Directive 2005/36/EC regarding general education length as outlined in annexe one in programme standards document.

[Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education](#) specifically R2.6, R2.7, R2.8, R2.10

Proposed transfer of current students to the programme under review
Demonstrate a robust process to transfer current students onto the proposed programme to ensure programme learning outcomes and proficiencies meet the [Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes](#) (NMC, 2018).

Proposed transfer of current students to the [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) (NMC, 2018).

Demonstrate a robust process to transfer current students onto the [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) (NMC, 2018).

Findings against the standard and requirements

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- Evidence that selection processes ensure entrants onto the programme are suitable for the intended field of nursing practice and demonstrate values and have capability to learn behaviours in accordance with the Code. Evidence of service users and practitioners involvement in selection processes. (R1.1.1, R1.1.2, R1.1.3)

YES NO
- Evidence of selection processes, including statements on digital literacy, literacy, numeracy, values-based selection criteria, educational entry standard required, and progression and assessment strategy, English language proficiency criteria specified in recruitment processes (R1.1.4 – R1.1.7).

YES NO
- There is evidence of occupational health entry criteria, inoculation and immunisation plans, fitness for nursing assessments, Criminal record checks and fitness for practice processes detailed (R1.2)

YES NO
- Health and character processes are evidenced including information given to applicants and students, including details of periodic health and character review timescales. Fitness for practice processes evidenced and information given to applicants and students are detailed (R1.3)

YES NO
- Processes are in place for providing supporting declarations by a registered nurse responsible for directing the educational programme (R1.4)

YES NO

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met

- Evidence of recognition of prior learning processes, mapped against programme outcomes at all levels and against academic levels of the programme up to a maximum of 50 percent of the programme and comply with Article 31(3) of Directive 2005/36/EC (R1.5)

MET **NOT MET**

R1.5 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- Evidence that for NMC registered nurses recognition of prior learning is capable of being mapped to the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes (R1.6)

MET **NOT MET**

R1.6 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- Numeracy, literacy, digital and technological literacy mapped against proficiency standards and programme outcomes. Provide evidence that the programme meets NMC requirements, mapping how the indicative content meets the proficiencies and programme outcomes.

Ongoing achievement record (OAR) and practice assessment document (PAD) are linked to competence outcomes in numeracy, literacy, digital and technological literacy to meet programme outcomes. Detail support strategies for students throughout the programme in continuously developing their abilities in numeracy, literacy, digital and technological literacy to meet programme outcomes (R1.7)

MET **NOT MET**

R1.7 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- Evidence of processes to ensure that all those enrolled on pre-registration nursing programmes are compliant with Directive 2005/36/EC regarding general education length (R1.8)

YES **NO**

Proposed transfer of current students to the programme under review

From your documentary analysis and your meeting with students, provide an evaluative summary to confirm how the *Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes* and *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* will

be met through the transfer of existing students onto the proposed programme.

No students are transferring to the modified programme.

Proposed transfer of current students to the Standards for student supervision and assessment (SSSA) (NMC, 2018).

From your documentary analysis and your meetings at the approval visit confirm if students will be transferring to the SSSA, and if so that they have informed choice and are fully prepared for supervision and assessment.

The SSSA is implemented in the pre-registration programme.

Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: [Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education](#) relevant to selection, admission and progression are met

YES NO

Outcome

Is the standard met? MET NOT MET

Date: 13 July 2022

Post event review

Identify how the condition(s) is met:

N/A

Date condition(s) met:

N/A

Revised outcome after condition(s) met: MET NOT MET

N/A

Standard 2: Curriculum

Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:

R2.1 ensure that programmes comply with the NMC *Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education*

R2.2 comply with the NMC *Standards for student supervision and assessment*

R2.3 ensure that programme learning outcomes reflect the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and each of the four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children’s nursing

- R2.4 design and deliver a programme that supports students and provides exposure across all four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing
- R2.5 state routes within their pre-registration nursing programme that allows students to enter the register in one or more of the specific fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities or children's nursing
- R2.6 set out the general and professional content necessary to meet the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes
- R2.7 set out the content necessary to meet the programme outcomes for each field of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing
- R2.8 ensure that field specific content in relation to the law, safeguarding, consent, pharmacology and medicines administration and optimisation is included for entry to the register in one or more fields of nursing practice
- R2.9 ensure the curriculum provides an equal balance of theory and practice learning using a range of learning and teaching strategies
- R2.10 ensure that programmes delivered in Wales comply with legislation which supports use of the Welsh language
- R2.11 ensure pre-registration nursing programmes leading to registration in the adult field of practice are mapped to the content for nurses responsible for general care as set out in Annexe V.2 point 5.2.1 of Directive 2005/36/EC (included in Annexe 1 of programme standards document)
- R2.12 ensure that all pre-registration nursing programmes meet the equivalent of minimum programme length for nurses responsible for general care in Article 31(3) of Directive 2005/36/EC (included in Annexe 1 of programme standards document)
- R2.13 ensure programmes leading to registration in two fields of nursing practice are of suitable length to ensure proficiency in both fields of nursing, and
- R2.14 ensure programmes leading to nursing registration and registration in another profession, are of suitable length and nursing proficiencies and outcomes are achieved in a nursing context.

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education specifically:
R1.9, R1.13; R2.2, R2.14, R2.15, R2.18, R2.19; R3.1, R3.2, R3.4, R3.9, R3.10, R3.15, R 3.16; R5.1 - R5.16.

Standards for student supervision and assessment specifically:
R1.2, R1.3, R1.7, R1.10, R1.11

Findings against the standard and requirements

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- There is evidence that the programme complies with the NMC *Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education* (R2.1)

YES NO

- There is evidence that the programme complies with the NMC *Standards for student supervision and assessment* (R2.2) YES NO
- Mapping to show how the curriculum and practice learning content reflect the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and each of the four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R2.3) YES NO

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met.

- There is evidence to show how the design and delivery of the programme will support students in both theory and practice to experience across all four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R2.4) MET NOT MET

R2.4 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- Evidence that programme structure/design/delivery will illustrate specific fields of practice that allows students to enter the register in one or more specific fields of nursing practice. Evidence of field specific learning outcomes and content in the module descriptors (R2.5) MET NOT MET

R2.5 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- There is evidence that mapping has been undertaken to show that the programme meets NMC requirements of the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* (R2.6) YES NO

There is evidence that mapping has been undertaken to set out the content necessary to meet the programme outcomes for each field of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R2.7)

YES NO

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met.

- There is evidence that mapping has been undertaken to ensure that field specific content in relation to the law, safeguarding, consent, pharmacology and medicines administration and optimisation is included for entry to the register in one or more fields of nursing practice (R2.8)

MET **NOT MET**

R2.8 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- The programme structure demonstrates an equal balance of theory and practice learning. This is detailed in the designated hours in the module descriptors and practice learning allocations. A range of learning and teaching strategies are detailed in the programme specification, programme handbook and module descriptors with theory / practice balance detailed at each part of the programme and at end point. There are appropriate module aims, descriptors and outcomes specified. There is a practice allocation model for the delivery of the programme that clearly demonstrates the achievement of designated hours for the programme detailed. (R2.9)

MET **NOT MET**

R2.9 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- Evidence to ensure that programmes delivered in Wales comply with any legislation which supports the use of the Welsh language (R2.10)

YES **NO** **N/A**

The modified programme is delivered in England. The substantive programme is currently delivered in Wales, where this occurs the programme complies with Welsh legislation supporting the use of the Welsh language.

- Evidence that the programme outcomes are mapped to the content for nurses responsible for general care and will ensure successful students met the registration requirement for entry to the register in the adult field of practice (R2.11)
- Evidence that the pre-registration nursing programme will meet the equivalent of minimum programme length for nurses responsible for general care in Article 31(3) of Directive 2005/36/EC (R2.12)
- Evidence that programmes leading to registration in two fields of nursing practice are of suitable length to ensure proficiency in both fields of nursing (R2.13)

YES **NO**

YES **NO**

YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
The programme doesn't lead to registration in another field of nursing.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evidence to ensure that programmes leading to nursing registration and registration in another profession, will be of suitable length and nursing proficiencies and outcomes will be achieved in a nursing context (R2.14) 	
YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
The programme doesn't lead to registration in another profession.	
Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: <u>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</u> relevant to curricula are met	
YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
Assurance is provided that Gateway 2: <u>Standards for student supervision and assessment</u> relevant to curricula and assessment are met	
YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
Outcome	
Is the standard met?	MET <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 13 July 2022	
Post event review	
Identify how the condition(s) is met:	
N/A	
Date condition(s) met:	
N/A	
Revised outcome after condition(s) met:	MET <input type="checkbox"/> NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/>
N/A	

Standard 3: Practice learning	
Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:	
R3.1 provide practice learning opportunities that allow students to develop and meet the <i>Standards of proficiency for registered nurses</i> to deliver safe and effective care to a diverse range of people, across the four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing	

- R3.2 ensure that students experience the variety of practice expected of registered nurses to meet the holistic needs of people of all ages
- R3.3 provide practice learning opportunities that allow students to meet the communication and relationship management skills and nursing procedures, as set out in *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses*, within their selected fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing
- R3.4 ensure technology enhanced and simulation-based learning opportunities are used effectively and proportionately to support learning and assessment and pre-registration nursing programmes leading to registration in the adult field of practice comply with Article 31(5) of Directive 2005/36/EC (included in Annexe 1 of programme standards document)
- R3.5 take account of students' individual needs and personal circumstances when allocating their practice learning including making reasonable adjustments for students with disabilities
- R3.6 ensure students experience the range of hours expected of registered nurses, and
- R3.7 ensure that students are supernumerary.

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically:
R1.1, R1.3, R1.5; R2.9, R2.11; R3.3, R3.5, R 3.7, R3.16; R5.1, R5.7, R5.10, R5.12

Standards for student supervision and assessment, specifically: R1.1 – R1.11

Findings against the standard and requirements

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met.

- Evidence that the practice learning opportunities allow students to develop and meet the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* to deliver safe and effective care, to a diverse range of people, across the four fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R3.1)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.1 is met. Practice supervisors and practice assessors tell us that they can identify appropriate learning opportunities for students that ensures that they deliver holistic care to a diverse range of people across the four fields of practice. They work in partnership with students to identify individual learning needs and signpost students to opportunities to meet proficiencies. Documentary evidence and practice supervisors and practice assessors confirm that students have the opportunity to visit spoke (specialist) placements that enhance learning experiences. Achievement of four fields experience is monitored by PTs.

- There is evidence of how the programme will ensure students experience the variety of practice learning experiences to meet the holistic needs of people in all ages. There are appropriate processes for assessing, monitoring and evaluating these practice experiences (R3.2)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.2 is met. There are established practice learning pathways through the programme enabling students to meet the holistic needs of people of all ages. OUH have a wide range of practice learning environments that include a local community trust.

Educational audits are undertaken by a local AEI who share the outcomes of audits with the OU and OUH. These are reviewed prior to the allocation of students to practice learning environments. PTs work with practice assessors and attend progress meetings. Practice supervisors and practice assessors tell us that they are well supported in their roles and can escalate concerns regarding student progression. There are processes in place to enable students to evaluate practice learning. Student evaluations are reviewed by PTs and any concerns are escalated to programme leaders. Practice supervisors and practice assessors tell us that they receive feedback on student evaluations.

PTs are jointly appointed by the OU and OUH and work with OU module chairs. PTs are responsible and accountable for the delivery of practice modules including teaching, organising simulation-based learning activities, student support and assessment and module evaluations. OU retains oversight of all modules.

- Evidence that the practice learning opportunities allow students to meet the communication and relationship management skills and nursing procedures, as set out in the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses*, within their selected fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R3.3)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.3 is met. Practice supervisors and practice assessors tell us that there are a variety of learning opportunities available to enable students to achieve the communication and relationship management skills and nursing procedures. Student learning experiences can be tailored to specific activities to ensure these are achieved and difficult to achieve skills can be assessed in the simulation suite through direct observation by practice assessors.

- Evidence to ensure technology enhanced and simulation-based learning opportunities are used effectively and proportionately to support learning and assessment and pre-registration nursing programmes leading to registration in the adult field of practice comply with Article 31(5) of Directive 2005/36/EC (R3.4)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.4 is met. Photographs and architectural plans demonstrate a well-equipped purpose-built simulation suite offering opportunities for low and high-fidelity simulation-based learning activities that enable students to develop a comprehensive range of skills. There's a clear map of simulation activities for each year of the programme and simulation-based learning will contribute to the approved maximum of 412 practice learning hours.

- There are processes in place to take account of students' individual needs and personal circumstances when allocating their practice learning including making reasonable adjustments for disabilities (R3.5)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.5 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- Evidence of how programme is planned to allow for students to experience the range of hours expected of registered nurses (e.g. 24 hour care, seven days, night shifts planned examples) (R3.6)

YES **NO**

- Processes are in place to ensure that students are supernumerary (R3.7)

YES **NO**

Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education relevant to practice learning are met

YES **NO**

Assurance is provided that Gateway 2: Standards for student supervision and assessment relevant to practice learning are met

YES **NO**

Outcome

Is the standard met?

MET **NOT MET**

Date: 13 July 2022

Post event review

Identify how the condition(s) is met:

N/A

Date condition(s) met:

N/A

Revised outcome after condition(s) met: MET NOT MET

N/A

Standard 4: Supervision and assessment

Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:

- R4.1 ensure that support, supervision, learning and assessment provided complies with the NMC *Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education*
- R4.2 ensure that support, supervision, learning and assessment provided complies with the NMC *Standards for student supervision and assessment*
- R4.3 ensure they inform the NMC of the name of the registered nurse responsible for directing the education programme
- R4.4 provide students with feedback throughout the programme to support their development
- R4.5 ensure throughout the programme that students meet the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes for their fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing
- R4.6 ensure that all programmes include a health numeracy assessment related to nursing proficiencies and calculation of medicines which must be passed with a score of 100%
- R4.7 ensure that students meet all communication and relationship management skills and nursing procedures within their fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing
- R4.8 assess students to confirm proficiency in preparation for professional practice as a registered nurse
- R4.9 ensure that there is equal weighting in the assessment of theory and practice
- R4.10 ensure that all proficiencies are recorded in an ongoing record of achievement which must demonstrate the achievement of proficiencies and skills set out in *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses*, and
- R4.11 ensure the knowledge and skills for nurses responsible for general care set out in Article 31(6) and the competencies for nurses responsible for general care set out in Article 31(7) of Directive 2005/36/EC for pre-registration nursing programmes leading to registration in the adult field of practice have been met. (included in Annexe 1 of programme standards document)

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically:

R2.11; R3.5, R3.6, R3.8, R3.11, R3.13, R3.14, R3.17;
R4.1, R4.2, R4.3, R4.4, R4.5, R4.6, R4.8, R4.11; R5.9

Standards for student supervision and assessment, specifically R4.1 – R4.11

Findings against the standards and requirements

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met

- There is evidence of how the programme will ensure how support, supervision, learning and assessment provided complies with the NMC *Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education*. (R4.1)

MET **NOT MET**

R4.1 is met. Programme documentation and the modification process evidence a partnership commitment to develop a culture that values learning and education. OUH senior staff tell us that there's a well-established positive learning culture within OUH that recognises the value of ongoing professional development. Staff are actively encouraged to undertake further qualifications. This positive approach to education is viewed as fundamental in ensuring safe and effective care of patients, peers and students.

Documentary evidence demonstrates that robust governance structures and processes are in place. Discussion at the visit confirms that these processes are understood by staff at strategic and operational levels including practice supervisors and practice assessors. OU and OUH strategic and operational teams tell us about the partnership commitment to promote diversity and inclusivity.

Individual student needs are considered at each of the practice progression meetings and students are actively encouraged and supported to be self-determined and resilient caring practitioners.

Staff CVs clearly evidence that both OU and OUH staff are appropriately qualified and experienced to deliver the programme.

- There is evidence of how the *Standards for student supervision and assessment* are applied to the programme. There are processes in place to identify the supervisors and assessor along with how they will be prepared for their roles. (R4.2)

MET **NOT MET**

R4.2 is not met. The OUH strategic and operational teams, practice supervisors and practice assessors tell us there are adequate numbers of appropriately prepared practice supervisors and practice assessors to support learning in practice. Mechanisms are in place to ensure appropriate preparation of suitably qualified practice staff to undertake these roles. There's documentary evidence of training programmes, practice supervisors and practice assessors confirm that these are effective. There are support mechanisms in place to ensure concerns regarding student progress can be escalated appropriately. Where required

students are referred to the OU fitness to practise process. OUH staff are members of fitness to practise panels.

The SSSA is applied in simulation-based learning sessions however, the communication process that ensures practice assessors have oversight of student performance during simulation-based learning that contributes to practice hours isn't clear. (Condition one)

OUH PTs also undertake the role of academic assessors, appropriate preparation and support for the role is clearly evidenced in programme documentation. The separate roles of academic assessors, practice supervisors and practice assessors are also clearly detailed in programme documentation.

Academic assessors will have access to the OUs electronic student records enabling them to review student performance in theory and practice modules. There's evidence that there's effective communication between academic assessors and practice assessors at tripartite progress meetings with students. Progression towards achievement of practice is recorded in the practice assessment document. Achievement of practice is agreed and verified by academic assessors. Processes are in place to report progression and achievement through formal OU examination boards.

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- There are processes in place to ensure the NMC is informed of the name of the registered nurse responsible for directing the education programme (R4.3)

YES NO

Provide an evaluative summary from your documentary analysis and evidence AND discussion at the approval visit to demonstrate if assurance is provided that the QA approval criteria below is met or not met

- There are processes in place to provide students with feedback throughout the programme to support their development. Formative and summative assessment strategy is detailed (R4.4)

MET NOT MET

R4.4 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- There is appropriate mapping of the curriculum and practice learning placements to ensure throughout the programme that students meet the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes for their fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R4.5)

MET NOT MET

R4.5 is met. Unchanged through this modification

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- There is evidence that all programmes include a health numeracy assessment related to nursing proficiencies and calculation of medicines which must be passed with a score of 100 percent (R4.6)

YES NO
- Processes are in place to ensure that students meet all communication and relationship management skills and nursing procedures within their fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing (R4.7)

YES NO
- Evidence of processes to assess students to confirm proficiency in preparation for professional practice as a registered nurse (R4.8)

YES NO
- There is an assessment strategy with details and weighting expressed for all credit bearing assessments. Theory and practice weighting is calculated and detailed in award criteria and programme handbooks (R4.9)

YES NO
- There is evidence that all proficiencies are recorded in an ongoing record of achievement which must demonstrate the achievement of proficiencies and skills as set out in the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* (R4.10)

YES NO
- Evidence to ensure the knowledge and skills for nurses responsible for general care set out in article 31(6) and the competencies for nurses responsible for general care set out in article 31(7) of Directive 2005/36/EC for pre-registration nursing programmes leading to registration in the adult field of practice have been met (R4.11)

YES NO

Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education relevant to supervision and assessment are met

YES NO

Assurance is provided that Gateway 2: Standards for student supervision and assessment are met

YES NO

The process that ensures practice assessors have oversight of student performance during simulation-based learning that contributes to practice hours isn't clear. (Condition one)

Outcome

Is the standard met?

MET NOT MET

The process that ensures practice assessors have oversight of student performance during simulation-based learning that contributes to practice hours isn't clear.

Condition one: The OU in partnership with OUH must clarify the communication process that ensures practice assessors have oversight of student performance during simulation that contributes to NMC practice hours. (SSSA R7.7; SPNP R4.2)

Date: 13 July 2022

Post event review

Identify how the condition(s) is met

Documentary evidence clearly identifies the role of practice supervisor in providing feedback on student performance during simulation sessions that contribute to NMC practice learning hours. This mechanism ensures effective communication with the practice assessor.

Evidence:

Simulation at OUH, August 2022

Annex to South practice assessment document (PAD), August 2022

Date condition(s) met: 4 August 2022

Revised outcome after condition(s) met:

MET NOT MET

Standard 5: Qualification to be awarded

Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:

R5.1 ensure that the minimum award for a pre-registration nursing programme is a bachelor's degree, and

R5.2 notify students during and before completion of the programme that they have five years to register their award with the NMC. In the event of a student failing to register their qualification within five years they will have to undertake additional education and training or gain such experience as specified in our standards.

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically R2.11, R2.20

Findings against the standards and requirements

Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:

- The pre-registration nursing programme award to be approved is clearly identified in all programme documentation and is a minimum of a bachelor's degree (R5.1)

YES NO

- Documentary evidence that the registered nurse responsible for directing the educational programme or their designated registered nurse substitute have advised students during and before completion of the requirement to register their qualification within five years of the award. (R5.2)

YES NO

Fall Back Award

If there is a fall back exit award with registration as a nurse all NMC standards and proficiencies are met within the award

YES NO N/A

There are no fall-back awards that lead to registration with the NMC.

Assurance is provided that the Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education relevant to the qualification to be awarded are met

YES NO

Outcome

Is the standard met? MET NOT MET

Date: 13 July 2022

Post event review

Identify how the condition(s) is met:

N/A

Date condition(s) met:

N/A

Revised outcome after condition(s) met:

MET

NOT MET

N/A

Section four

Sources of evidence

The following documentation provided by the AEI/education institution was reviewed by the visitor(s):

Key documentation	YES	NO
Programme document, including proposal, rationale and consultation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Programme specification(s) include fields of nursing practice: adult, mental health, learning disabilities and children's nursing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Module descriptors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student facing documentation including: programme handbook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Student university handbook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practice assessment documentation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ongoing record of achievement (ORA)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practice learning environment handbook	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practice learning handbook for practice supervisors and assessors specific to the programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Academic assessor focused information specific to the programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Placement allocation / structure of programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
PAD linked to competence outcomes, and mapped against <i>Standards of proficiency for registered nurses</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mapping document providing evidence of how the education institution has met the <i>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</i> (NMC, 2018) (Gateway 1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mapping document providing evidence of how the <i>Standards for student supervision and assessment</i> (NMC, 2018) apply to the programme(s) (Gateway 2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mapping document providing evidence of how the education institution has met the <i>Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes</i> (NMC, 2018) (Gateway 3)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Curricula vitae (CV) for relevant staff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
CV of the registered nurse responsible for directing the education programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Registrant academic staff details checked on NMC website	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
External examiner appointments and arrangements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Written placement agreement(s) between the education institution and associated practice learning partners to support the programme intentions.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Written agreement(s) to support the programme intentions between the education institution and employer partners for apprenticeship routes (if applicable).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation: The approved apprenticeship routes aren't being modified.		
List additional documentation:		
Additional comments: None identified.		

During the event the visitor(s) met the following groups:

	YES	NO
Senior managers of the AEI/education institution with responsibility for resources for the programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior managers from associated practice learning partners with responsibility for resources for the programme	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senior managers from associated employer partners with responsibility for resources for the programme (applicable for apprenticeship routes)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Programme team/academic assessors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practice leads/practice supervisors/practice assessors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Students	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please identify cohort year/programme of study:		
Service users and carers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation: Due to the nature of the modification meetings with students and SUCs weren't required. The approved apprenticeship routes aren't being modified.		
Additional comments: None identified.		

The visitor(s) viewed the following areas/facilities during the event:

	YES	NO
Specialist teaching accommodation (e.g. clinical skills/simulation suites)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Library facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Technology enhanced learning/virtual learning environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Educational audit tools/documentation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Practice learning environments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If practice learning environments are visited, state where visited/findings:		
System regulator reports reviewed for practice learning partners	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If yes, system regulator reports list:</p> <p>Health Inspectorate Wales (HIW) inspection report, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board, Community Hospital Free Standing Birth Unit, Maternity Services, 17 July 2020</p> <p>CQC inspection report, Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust, 1 December 2021</p> <p>HIW inspection report, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, Ysbyty Enfys Deeside, 25 March 2021</p> <p>HIW inspection report, HWI Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, 22 April 2022</p> <p>HIW inspection report, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, Mass Vaccination Centres, 27 May 2021</p> <p>HIW inspection report, Cardiff and Vale University Health Board, Mass Vaccination Centres, 27 May 2021</p> <p>HIW inspection report, Cygnet Appletree, 25 August 2021</p> <p>CQC inspection report, Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, 19 February 2020</p> <p>CQC inspection report, Edith Shaw Hospital, 17 March 2022</p> <p>CQC inspection report, University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust, Westmorland General Hospital, 20 August 2021</p> <p>CQC inspection report, Calderdale and Huddersfield NHS Foundation Trust, 20 June 2018</p> <p>HIW inspection report, Glan Clwyd, 23 September 2020</p> <p>HIW inspection report, Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board, North Wales Cancer Treatment Centre, 18 June 2021</p> <p>CQC inspection report, Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, 7 April 2020</p> <p>CQC inspection report, John Munroe Hospital, Rudyard 17 March 2022</p> <p>CQC inspection report, John Radcliffe Hospital, 2 September 2021</p> <p>CQC inspection report, Kettering General Hospital, 6 May 2022</p> <p>CQC inspection report, Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust, 15 February 2019</p> <p>Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority (RQIA) inspection report, Patient and Client Council report, Muckamore Abbey Hospital, March 2021</p> <p>RQIA inspection report, A review of leadership and governance, Muckamore Abbey Hospital leadership and governance, 31 July 2021</p> <p>CQC inspection report, North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust, 14 March 2018</p> <p>CQC inspection report, North West Anglia NHS Foundation Trust, 20 December 2019</p> <p>CQC inspection report, Priory Hospital Arnold, 15 March 2022</p> <p>CQC inspection report, Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust, 26 February 2020</p>		

CQC inspection report, Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust, Inspection report, 1 March 2019
CQC inspection report, Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust, Salisbury District Hospital, 8 December 2021
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If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation:
Photographs and architectural plans of the simulation facilities were reviewed.

The OU is an established AEI practice learning environment, visits weren't required.

Additional comments:
None identified.

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