

Programme Major Modification report

Section one

<p>Programme provider name:</p>	<p>University of West London</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 type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse – Children’s <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse - Learning Disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Registered Nurse - Mental Health <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><i>Nursing Degree Apprenticeship (NDA) route</i> NDA Adult <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NDA Children’s <input type="checkbox"/> NDA Learning Disabilities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NDA Mental Health <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><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>BNursing (Hons) Adult PG Diploma Nursing Adult BNursing (Hons) Mental Health PG Diploma Mental Health BNursing (Hons) Learning Disabilities PG Diploma Learning Disabilities BNursing (Hons) Children Nurse Degree Apprenticeship BNursing (Hons) (Adult) Nurse Degree Apprenticeship BNursing (Hons) Mental Health Nurse Degree</p>

	<p>Apprenticeship BNursing (Hons) Learning Disabilities Nurse Degree Apprenticeship BNursing (Hons) Children MSc Nursing Adult MSc Nursing Learning Disabilities MSci Nursing Adult/Mental Health MSci Nursing Learning Disabilities/Mental Health MSci Children/Mental Health</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>	N/A
<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>Nurse Degree Apprenticeship PG Dip Nursing (Adult) Nurse Degree Apprenticeship PG Dip Nursing (Mental health) Nurse Degree Apprenticeship PG Dip Nursing (Learning disabilities)</p>
<p>Academic levels of current programme:</p>	
Registered Nurse – Adult	<p>England, Wales, Northern Ireland <input type="checkbox"/> Level 5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 6 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level 7</p> <p>SCQF <input type="checkbox"/> Level 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Level 11</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>
Registered Nurse – Children’s	<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>	2 September 2019
Date(s) of NMC approval of any modifications since last approval:	11 November 2021
Programme start dates:	
Current modification programme start date:	
RN – Adult	N/A
RN – Children's	N/A

RN - Learning Disabilities	N/A
RN - Mental Health	N/A
NDA Adult	25 September 2023
NDA Children's	N/A
NDA Learning Disabilities	25 September 2023
NDA Mental Health	25 September 2023
Dual award - Adult/Mental Health	N/A
Dual award - Adult/Children's	N/A
Dual award - Adult/Learning Disabilities	N/A
Dual award – Mental Health/Learning Disabilities	N/A
Dual award – Mental Health/Children's	N/A
Dual award – Learning Disabilities/Children's	N/A
Date of modification:	29 June 2023
Type of modification:	Visit
QA visitor(s):	Registrant Visitor: Lesley Saunders

Section two

Summary of review and findings

The University of West London (UWL) is a Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) approved education institution (AEI). The original pre-registration nursing programme was approved by the NMC on 2 September 2019. The routes within the approved programme include, a full-time three-year Bachelor of Nursing (Honours) (BNursing (Hons)) nursing (adult, mental health, children and learning disabilities), a two-year full-time postgraduate diploma (PG dip) in adult, mental health and learning disabilities nursing, a full-time four-year dual award integrated master's in nursing (MSci) (adult and mental health; mental health and children; mental health and learning disability) and a three-year full-time registered nurse degree apprenticeship (NDA) BNursing (Hons) nursing (adult, mental health, children and learning disabilities).

The approved pre-registration nursing programme was modified on 11 November 2021 to include a full-time two-year, pre-registration nursing MSc blended learning nursing route in adult or learning disabilities.

This proposal is to modify the approved PG dip nursing route to deliver NDA PG dip nursing adult, mental health and learning disabilities. The new route will be delivered with set theory and placement blocks and with employer weeks that are fixed. Annual leave is taken during employer weeks.

The proposed start date for the new route is 25 September 2023.

This major modification is undertaken face to face.

Documentary evidence and discussion with the programme development team, senior managers and employers and practice placement partners (PLPs) confirms support for the proposed NDA PG dip nursing route at level seven. The programme modification is in response to employer requests to include an apprenticeship route via a PG dip route. PLPs tell us the NDA students will contribute to future workforce planning. UWL tells us numbers of NDA students are expected to be small. NDA students and direct entry students will be taught together.

Documentary evidence and the modification visit confirm the NDA PG dip nursing route has been negotiated and developed with senior managers of eight participating healthcare organisations. The following organisations are supporting the NDA PG dip nursing route: Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust (FHFT), Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (SBPFT), Ashford and St Peter's Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (ASPHFT), Berkshire Healthcare NHS

Foundation Trust (BHFT), Royal Berkshire NHS Foundation Trust (RBFT), Chelsea and Westminster Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (CWHFT), West London NHS Trust (WLFT) and Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust (CNWLFT). These employer partners (EPs) will employ and provide practice learning placements for the students studying on the proposed route. UWL and EPs confirm that reciprocal arrangements are in place between EPs to ensure opportunity for students to experience all fields of nursing and a broad range of practice placement experiences.

Programme documentation and the modification visit confirm evidence of effective partnership working between UWL and PLPs. There is assurance that governance arrangements are in place to ensure the quality and safety of practice learning. Documentary evidence confirms UWL have effective collaborative arrangements and effective lines of communication with all eight EPs to ensure effective response to system regulator concerns and all internal and external quality concerns.

The Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education (SFNME) (NMC, 2018), Standards for student supervision and assessment (SSSA) (NMC, 2018 updated 2023), Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes (SPRN) (NMC, 2018 updated 2023) and Future nurse: Standards of proficiency for registered nurses (FN:SPRN) (NMC, 2018) are mapped against the original programme approved in September 2019. Programme documentation confirms that the programme content and assessment strategy are unchanged from the PG dip nursing (adult, mental health and learning disabilities) route approved on 2 September 2019. An adaptation is made to the duration of the programme. Students on the NDA PG dip route will be employed for 37.5 hours per week. The programme is therefore extended to incorporate an extra three weeks plus up to one month to complete the end point assessment (EPA) to ensure 2300 practice hours are completed.

This route responds to challenges experienced in the adult, mental health and learning disability nursing workforce and enables recruitment from a further pool of students providing graduate employment. The numbers recruited to the programme are expected to be small. Documentary evidence confirms there are processes in place to ensure sufficient resources to deliver the programme.

Programme documentation and the modification visit confirm that students on the NDA PG dip nursing route will have access to the same theory and practice learning support as students on the approved PG dip nursing route. UWL tell us that in addition, students on the NDA PG dip nursing route will have 12 weekly tripartite progress review meetings and will complete the EPA at the end of the programme.

Programme documentation provides equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) data and demonstrates there are currently no attainment gaps within the student

population. There's an infrastructure within the college and wider university to monitor achievement, progression and awarding gaps. This is frequently reviewed, and actions taken when necessary. The recruitment, teaching and learning and assessment strategies are all designed to ensure a socially and culturally inclusive experience for students.

The SFNME are met at programme level.

The SSSA are mapped in the programme and are met at programme level.

The programme is recommended to the NMC for approval. One university recommendation is made.

Recommended outcome of the approval panel	
Recommended outcome to the NMC:	<p>Programme is recommended to the NMC for approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Programme is recommended for approval subject to specific conditions being met <input 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:</p> <p>None identified.</p> <p>Selection, admission and progression:</p> <p>None identified.</p> <p>Practice learning:</p> <p>None identified.</p> <p>Assessment, fitness for practice and award:</p> <p>None identified.</p> <p>Education governance: management and quality assurance:</p> <p>None identified.</p>

Date condition(s) to be met:	N/A
Recommendations to enhance the programme delivery:	Recommendation one: To review practice regarding the recording of Annex B requirements and consider standardising this across all practice partners. (University recommendation)
Focused areas for future monitoring:	Monitoring of practice learning experiences to ensure breadth and depth of learning and exposure to all fields.

Programme is recommended for approval subject to specific conditions being met	
Commentary post review of evidence against conditions:	
N/A	
AEI Observations	Observations have been made by the education institution YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Summary of observations made, if applicable	The report is amended in relation to programme rationale.
Final recommendation made to NMC:	Programme is recommended to the NMC for approval <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommended to refuse approval of the programme <input type="checkbox"/>
Date condition(s) met:	N/A

Section three

NMC Programme standards
<p>Please refer to NMC standards reference points: Standards for pre-registration nursing programmes (NMC 2018, updated 2023) Future nurse: Standards of proficiency for registered nurses (NMC, 2018) Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education (NMC 2018, updated 2023) Standards for student supervision and assessment (NMC 2018, updated 2023) 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)</p>

NMC Programme standards

[QA Handbook](#) (NMC, 2022)

Partnerships

The AEI works in partnership with their practice learning partners, people who use services, students and all other stakeholders.

Please refer to the following NMC standards reference points for this section:

[Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education](#) (NMC 2018, updated 2023)

Standard 1: The learning culture:

R1.12 ensure programmes are designed, developed, delivered, evaluated and co-produced with people who use services and other stakeholders

R1.13 work with service providers to demonstrate and promote inter-professional learning and working

Standard 2: Educational governance and quality:

R2.2 ensure programmes are designed to meet proficiencies and outcomes relevant to the programme

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 people who use services and representatives from relevant stakeholder groups are engaged in partnership in student recruitment and selection

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 people who use services contribute to student assessment

[Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) (NMC 2018, updated 2023)

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 users of services, 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, people who use services, students and any other stakeholders.

There's documentary evidence that the UWL demonstrates effective partnership working with EPs. Programme documentation and evidence from the modification visit confirms effective partnership working between UWL and their PLPs, EPs, people who use services and carers (PUSCs) and students. Stakeholders tell us and documentary minutes confirm involvement in the co-production of the NDA PG dip nursing route. Documentation and evidence at the modification visit confirms that practice placement agreements, apprentice commitment statements and satisfactory practice placement audits ensure the quality of the practice placement experiences. The agreements commit the university, PLPs and EPs to the provision of safe and supportive learning environments for students on the NDA PG dip route.

The programme team and the EPs tell us the recruitment and selection process of students is undertaken in partnership. The employer submits potential candidates' details to UWL via upload of an Excel spreadsheet, to a secure SharePoint link. UWL then upload the candidate details to an online apprenticeship platform used for application and enrolment. Employers are required to supply a line manager character reference. Documentary evidence and the modification visit confirm that UWL admissions screen each candidate to check they meet both the academic and eligibility criteria for the NDA PG dip route. Candidates are then invited to an individual values-based interview jointly facilitated by an academic, employer representative and PUSC representation. The programme team and employers tell us EPs adhere to their internal organisational processes in relation to undertaking enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and occupational health (OH) checks. These processes

have been signed off by the respective NHS trust boards of the employer organisations. Where an issue is identified on an enhanced DBS report/OH report the employer will undertake due diligence, in line with their processes. They will discuss any concerns with UWL.

Employers are required to confirm that satisfactory enhanced DBS and OH checks are in place for a course leading to eligibility to register with the NMC via Aptem, an apprenticeship online application and enrolment system. Documentation and the modification visit confirm the employers have responsibility for mandatory training of the students on the NDA PG dip route. The module leader for the practice modules will request a screenshot of the EP's training monitoring tool/or request evidence of training via email confirmation and evidence of certificates. This check will be carried out before the first placement and then again in year two and at the end of the programme. This information is collated on a spreadsheet shared with the course leader and personal tutors. Should an occasion arise where an employer is not able to provide the mandatory training (in time for a placement to commence), the student will access the training being delivered for the self-funding students in the cohort.

Documentary evidence is provided to support the university's commitment to service user involvement in healthcare education. Documentation and PUSCs tell us they undertake EDI training before recruitment activities and are updated yearly. PUSCs tell us they are consulted about and contribute to the design and the delivery of the NDA PG dip route. They tell us they are supported, and they feel valued when they participate in UWL meetings and activities. PUSCs tell us they are actively and regularly involved in teaching activities, including simulation, and in assessment activities for objective structured clinical assessments.

There's documentary evidence and confirmation from students at the modification visit they have been consulted and have contributed to the design and development of the new route. Students on current apprenticeship routes tell us that processes are in place for them to give feedback on their theory and practice learning and that they have a student representative system. They tell us they are supported by both employers and by UWL to ensure supernumerary status and experience a breadth of practice placement experiences. Documentary evidence and students tell us they have opportunities to learn from a range of people in practice learning environments, including PUSCs and through inter-professional learning.

Senior nurses and practice education leads tell us there are effective processes in place to respond to the needs of students, practice supervisors and practice assessors.

The programme team tell us there are systems and processes in place to ensure academic assessors are supported within their role to support students undertaking practice learning opportunities. The programme team, senior nurses and practice education staff tell us there are suitable systems, processes and resources in place to ensure safe and effective coordination of learning within practice learning environments.

Assurance is provided that the AEI works in partnership with their practice learning partners, people who use services, 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 AEI works in partnership with their practice learning partners, people who use services, 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 meet the entry criteria for the programme as set out by the AEI and 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 police charges, cautions, convictions or conditional discharges, or determinations that their fitness to practise is impaired made by other regulators, professional bodies and educational establishments, and ensure 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
- 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

[Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education](#), specifically R2.6, R2.7, R2.8, R2.9, R2.11

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, updated 2023).

Proposed transfer of current students to the [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) (NMC 2018, updated 2023).

Demonstrate a robust process to transfer current students onto the [Standards for student supervision and assessment](#) (NMC 2018, updated 2023).

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 people who use services 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

- 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. Fitness for practice processes evidenced and information given to applicants and students are detailed (R1.2)

YES NO

- Ensure students are fully informed of the requirement to declare immediately any police charges, cautions, convictions or conditional discharges, or determinations that their fitness to practise is impaired made by other regulators, professional bodies and educational establishments, and ensure that any declarations are dealt with promptly, fairly and lawfully. (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 (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.

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.

UWL confirm there are no current students to be transferred onto the proposed route.

Proposed transfer of current students to the Standards for student supervision and assessment (SSSA) (NMC 2018, updated 2023).

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.

SSSA is embedded in all pre-registration nursing programmes at UWL.

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: 29 June 2023

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 50 percent theory and 50 percent practice learning using a range of learning and teaching strategies
- R 2.10 ensure technology and simulation opportunities are used effectively and proportionately across the curriculum to support supervision, learning and assessment
- R2.11 ensure that programmes delivered in Wales comply with legislation which supports use of the Welsh language
- R2.12 ensure that all pre-registration nursing programmes meet the equivalent of minimum length of three (academic) years for full time programmes, which consist of a minimum of 4,600 hours
- 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, R2.15, R2.16, R2.19, R2.20; 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 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 (R2.3)
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. Documentation and the modification visit confirm the design of the programme supports students' learning for all four fields of nursing. Students on the NDA PG dip nursing route will be required to log a minimum of six cross field experiences over the duration of the programme. They will evidence this through reflections within the electronic placement assessment documentation (e-PAD) and these will be monitored by academic assessors. Learning through simulation will offer students opportunities to engage in authentic practice-based scenarios, which are representative of people from all fields of nursing practice.

- 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. Documentation and the modification visit confirm there is explicit module content for adult nursing, mental health nursing and learning disability nursing. The programme team, students and employers tell us they experience practice placements in a variety of placement settings within their employing organisation and through reciprocal arrangements with other EPs to encompass delivery of care to people across the lifespan.

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

- There is evidence that mapping has been undertaken to show how the general and professional content meets NMC requirements of the *Standards of proficiency for registered nurses* and programme outcomes (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 50 percent theory and 50 percent 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. Documentary evidence and the modification visit confirm an extension of the approved PG dip nursing route by three weeks for the NDA PG dip route. Students on the direct entry PG dip nursing route work 40 hours per week in practice. Students on the NDA PG dip nursing route will work 37.5 hours in practice. The extra three weeks at the end of the programme will allow time for students on the NDA PG dip route to accumulate 2300 hours of practice learning. There is also a further one-month extension to the programme to allow time for completion of the EPA.

- There is evidence to ensure technology and simulation opportunities are used effectively and proportionately across the curriculum to support supervision, learning and assessment (R2.10)

MET NOT MET

R2.10 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 (R2.11)

YES NO N/A

The programme is delivered in English only.

- Evidence to ensure that all pre-registration nursing programmes meet the equivalent of minimum length of three (academic) years for full time

<p>programmes, which consist of a minimum of 4,600 hours (R2.12)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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) <p style="text-align: right;">YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The modification leads to registration in a single field of nursing.</p> <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) <p style="text-align: right;">YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The modification leads to registration solely with the NMC.</p>
<p>Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: <u>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</u> relevant to curricula are met</p> <p style="text-align: right;">YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Assurance is provided that Gateway 2: <u>Standards for student supervision and assessment</u> relevant to curricula and assessment are met</p> <p style="text-align: right;">YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Outcome</p> <p>Is the standard met? MET <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Date: 29 June 2023</p>
<p>Post event review</p> <p>Identify how the condition(s) is met:</p> <p>N/A</p>
<p>Date condition(s) met:</p> <p>N/A</p>
<p>Revised outcome after condition(s) met: MET <input type="checkbox"/> NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>N/A</p>

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 *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
- R3.2 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 provide no less than 2300 practice learning hours, of which a maximum of 600 hours can be in simulated practice learning
- 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; R2.10, R2.12; 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. Documentary evidence and the modification visit confirm EPs will be required to submit a practice placement plan to the practice education support unit (PESU) for each student when starting the programme. These plans will be reviewed by the UWL head of practice education to ensure practice learning

opportunities will allow students to develop and meet the FN:SPRN 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. All student placements are recorded on UWL's placement management system. This enables PESU staff to track and monitor the placement experiences against the planned experiences.

- 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. Documentation and the modification visit confirm that employers of apprentice students will work reciprocally to ensure students experience a variety of practice learning experiences to meet the holistic needs of people of all ages. All student placements are recorded on UWL's placement management system. This enables PESU staff to track and monitor the placement experiences against the planned experiences. The programme team and employers tell us students will log practice placement hours and experiences every four weeks via the online apprenticeship platform and the e-PAD.

- 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. Documentary evidence and the modification visit confirm employers will be required to submit a practice placement plan to the PESU for each student when starting the programme. These plans will be reviewed by the UWL head of practice education to ensure practice learning opportunities will allow students to develop within their selected field of nursing practice. If any issues are identified by UWL and/or raised by the employer, the team in PESU will work collaboratively with the employer to source the appropriate necessary placement learning experiences, via reciprocal arrangements with UWL's existing approved placement partners.

- Evidence to ensure the programme is no less than 2300 practice learning hours, of which a maximum of 600 hours can be in simulated practice learning (R3.4)

MET **NOT MET**

R3.4 is met. Unchanged through this modification.

- 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. Students on the NDA PG dip nursing route are employed and are subject to the employers' terms and conditions of employment. The programme team and employers tell us there are collaborative processes in place to take into account students' individual needs and personal circumstances when allocating practice learning. Documentary evidence and the modification visit confirm that processes are in place to make reasonable adjustments for disabilities.

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: 29 June 2023

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 constructive 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*.

Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically:

*R2.12; 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

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. Unchanged through this modification.

- 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 met. Unchanged through this modification.

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 constructive 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evidence of processes to assess students to confirm proficiency in preparation for professional practice as a registered nurse (R4.8) 	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <i>Standards of proficiency for registered nurses</i> (R4.10) 	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Assurance is provided that Gateway 1: <u>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</u> relevant to supervision and assessment 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> 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: 29 June 2023		
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		

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Standard 5: Qualification to be awarded	
<p>Approved education institutions, together with practice learning partners, must:</p> <p>R5.1 ensure that the minimum award for a pre-registration nursing programme is a bachelor's degree, and</p> <p>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.</p> <p><i>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education, specifically R2.12, R2.21</i></p>	
Findings against the standards and requirements	
<p>Evidence provides assurance that the following QA approval criteria are met:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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) <p style="text-align: right;">YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p> 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. (R5.2) <p style="text-align: right;">YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>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</p> <p style="text-align: right;">YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>There are no fall back exit awards associated with this modification that confer NMC registration.</p>	
<p>Assurance is provided that the <u>Standards framework for nursing and midwifery education</u> relevant to the qualification to be awarded are met</p> <p style="text-align: right;">YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
Outcome	
<p>Is the standard met?</p>	<p>MET <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT MET <input type="checkbox"/></p>

Date: 29 June 2023	
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	

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 (NMC 2018, updated 2023) (Gateway 1)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mapping document providing evidence of how the <i>Standards for student supervision and assessment (NMC 2018, updated 2023)</i> 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 (NMC 2018, updated 2023) (Gateway 3)</i>	<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation:		
List additional documentation:		
None identified.		
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please identify cohort year/programme of study:		
Second year NDA BNursing April 2022 – three students First year PG dip nursing September 2022 cohort – three students		
People who use services and carers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation:		
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 type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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"/>
If yes, system regulator reports list:		
<p>Cygnets Hospital Beckton, report published 20 May 2022 Huntercombe Hospital – Maidenhead, report published 3 December 2020 John Radcliffe Hospital, report published 11 November 2022 London North West University Healthcare NHS Trust, report published 20 May 2022 Taplow Manor, report published 24 March 2023 The Children’s Trust – Tadworth, report published 6 April 2023 The Hillingdon Hospital, report published 18 January 2023</p>		
If you stated no above, please provide the reason and mitigation:		
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