

Specialty Monitoring report

Name of Training Commissioner / Royal College: Health Education and Improvement Wales

Name of Education Quality Assurance Lead: Martin McElvanna

Date of monitoring: 7 July 2022

Action	Progress towards report actions	Date Action resolved	Outstanding aspects of Action	Further review date (If action not resolved at point of review)
1 (P6)	<p>HEIW confirmed that it the delivery of “duty of candour” training to Speciality trainees has now been amended to be GDC-specific. The previous delivery method was multi-professional.</p> <p>HEIW submitted evidence of an email to confirm that all existing trainees were contacted with a copy of the GDC’s ‘Professional duty of candour’ guidance and a request that they acknowledge having read and understood their responsibilities. We saw trainees’ responses as requested by HEIW.</p> <p>HEIW confirmed that it notified all Training Programme Directors (TPDs) and Chairs of Specialty Training Committees (STCs) at an annual meeting on 1 February 2022 regarding their responsibilities to ensure trainees understand the duty of candour.</p> <p>HEIW explained that the GDC Duty of Candour guidance will be provided to all new trainees henceforth, including new trainees commencing in September/October 2022.</p> <p>We consider that this Action has now been fully addressed. Requirement P6 is now Met.</p>	7 July 2022	None	Not applicable

2 (P20)	<p>HEIW explained that that the processes for meeting Requirement P20 varies between specialties, usually dependent on the number of trainees and trainers.</p> <p>Regarding Restorative Dentistry, Paediatric Dentistry and Orthodontics, the rigour of assessments has been addressed by discussion of cases, standard setting and calibration exercises at specialty meetings which occur fortnightly to termly. We saw examples of attendance for some of these meetings.</p> <p>Regarding Oral Medicine, trainers agreed on a UK-wide basis to use national meetings to standard set and run calibration exercises. We saw an example of this in a document presented at an international meeting which was led by trainers from within NHS Wales and the University of Leeds.</p> <p>Regarding Special Care Dentistry (SCD), HEIW confirmed that although formal calibration doesn't take place, discussions do occur regarding assessments in the interests of consistency at a teachers' group and in generic HEE and Trust courses. It would have been helpful to see minutes of such discussions, if they are recorded. If not, we recommend that they are.</p> <p>The SCD group agreed to discuss standard setting and calibration at their next national TPD meeting in September 2022 to agree on how to standardise these exercises.</p> <p>Finally, HEIW explained that some TPDs have attended national training days which included working on standard setting and calibration during "entrustable professional activities".</p> <p>We consider that this Action has now been addressed. Requirement P20 is now Met.</p>	7 July 2022	None	Not applicable
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