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Dear Ms Clapham

Re: Reaccreditation of University of Bradford pharmacist independent prescribing programme

Thank you for your letter dated 6th April 2016, confirming the reaccreditation of the above programme until the end of August 2019. I can confirm that the reports sent are accepted by the team as being a true record of the reaccreditation event held on 23 October 2015.

The report contained two conditions. Condition one stated "The provider must implement a valid and reliable quality assurance process for the assessment of clinical and physical examination skills that is currently undertaken by the DMPs. The GPhC must be provided with evidence of how the provider will ensure consistent standards of assessment of clinical and physical examination skills in order to ensure safe and effective practice."

We responded that in future students will both teach and peer assess clinical skills. Each student will be required to demonstrate a skill to a small group who will provide feedback. This will be facilitated by staff to ensure consistency. In addition we will insist that at least one student learning contract, part of individualised guided study, has a focus on clinical skills relevant to the students area of practice. These requirements would be added to the student handbook. Our current OSCE's already assess skills such as consultation and history taking.

Condition two stated that "The University must review its resit regulations for the pharmacist independent prescribing programme to ensure safe and effective practice." We responded that the University has approved our request that students be allowed only one supplementary assessment after their initial attempt.

Further recommendations were made. In response to these the University has updated its application form, mapped the additional learning outcomes and clarified for students which learning outcomes the MCQ and OSCE's examine.

We would like to thank the General Pharmaceutical council for a fair and transparent accreditation event which has helped us to improve the programme.

Yours sincerely



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