Approved change to an accredited course or qualification

Introduction

As part of the standing conditions of approval of education and training the course provider/awarding body must seek approval from the GPhC for any substantial change (or proposed change) which is, or has the potential to be, material to the delivery of an accredited/recognised course/qualification. This includes, but is not limited to:

- a. the content, structure or delivery of the course/qualification;
- b. ownership or management structure of the institution;
- c. resources and/or funding;
- d. student/trainee numbers and/or cohorts and/or admissions policy;
- e. partnership, sub-contracting, licensing or franchise agreements;
- f. staff resource associated with the course/qualification
- g. any changes imposed, or conditions or action plans set by other regulators or through internal or external quality management processes.

The information below is a summary of an approved change to the course of education and training since the last approval event.

Summary and outcome	
Provider/Awarding organisation	Aston University
Course/qualification	Overseas Pharmacists' Assessment Programme (OSPAP)
Current approval period	2021/22 – 2023/24
Area to which this change relates	Student numbers
Proposed change	The provider has requested an increase in student numbers from a maximum of 40 per year to a maximum of 70 per year from September 2023.

Outcome	Approved This has been approved specifically for the 2023/24 academic year.
	This approval is subject to the staff resources identified in the change request being implemented, and confirmation sent to the GPhC once the staff resourcing is in place, prior to the recruitment of the increased OSPAP numbers.
Date approved	28 November 2022