



Quality assuring the marking and issuing of results for the common registration assessment

About the common registration assessment

The General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) runs an online computer based common registration assessment in collaboration with the Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland (PSNI). Eligible candidates sit the assessment in a Pearson Vue Test Centre or online using their own computer with online proctoring (when granted as a reasonable adjustment). The Board of Assessors maintain the standard and integrity of the common registration assessment and have responsibility for the marking, analysis and outcome awards.

This document outlines the process of marking the common registration assessment, issuing results to candidates and outlines the robust GPhC quality assurance mechanisms (see figures 1 and 2) which are in place for each part of the process.

No candidate marks have ever been changed during the quality assurance checks in 23 individual assessment sittings, and therefore candidates are not able to request a re-mark of their assessment..

Any candidate who fails the assessment continues to have **the right to appeal their result** due to either procedural grounds, or to exceptional circumstances that come to light after the sitting. Further information on how to appeal is provided in the guidance for unsuccessful candidates that will be sent to any candidate who is unsuccessful on results day.

Information recorded by a candidate during an exam is exempt from disclosure under schedule 2 (25)(1) of the Data Protection Act 2018.

Additional information on the Mark Awarding Algorithm followed by the Board of Assessors can be found on the *Assuring the registration assessment* page of the GPhC website.

Figure 1: Marking the assessment

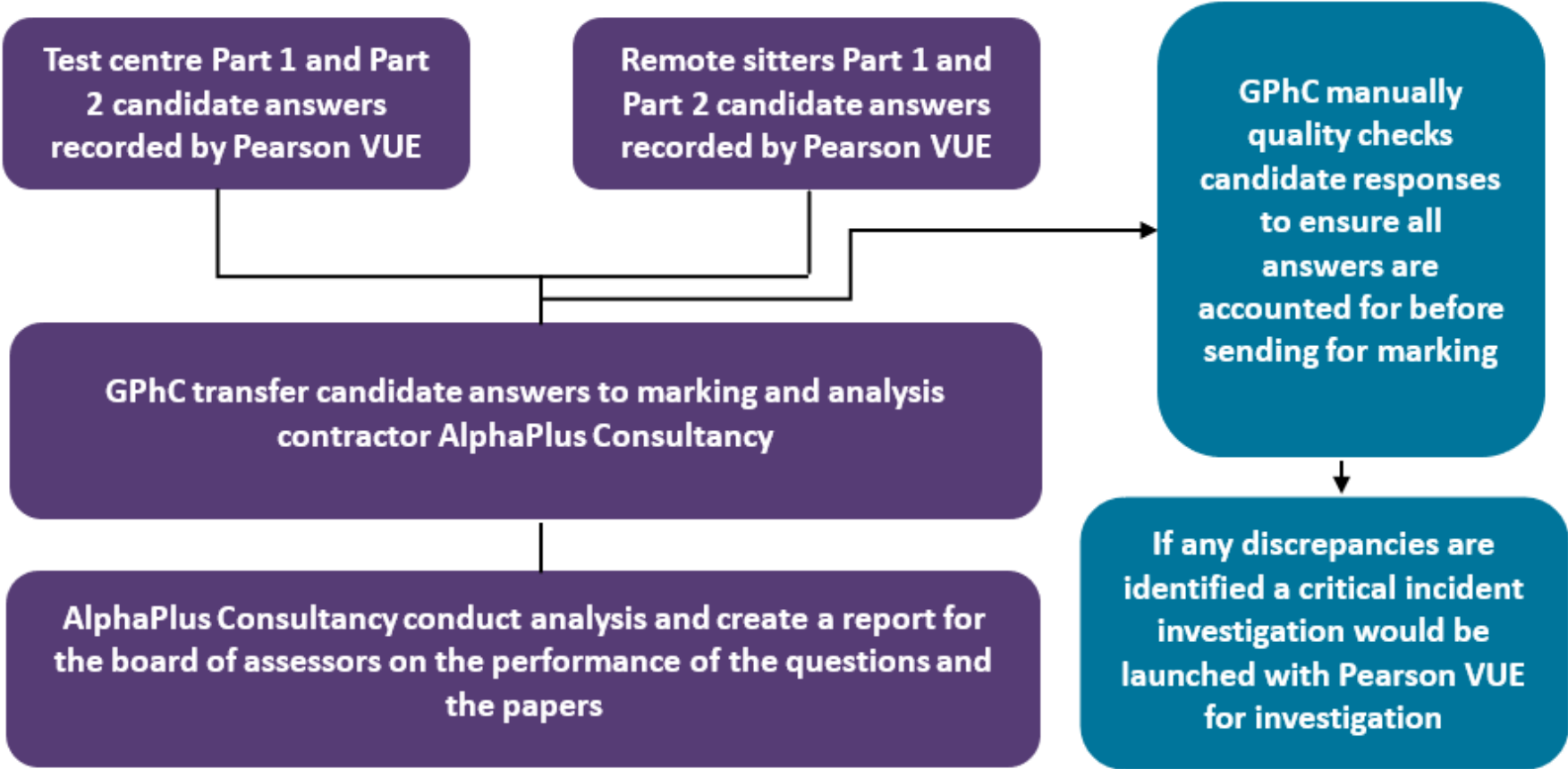


Figure 2: Analysing, issuing marks and quality assuring the assessment

