

Revalidation round-up

The monthly e-bulletin for osteopaths participating in the pilot

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Accessing Moodle

If you haven't logged on already, Moodle offers you the opportunity to share your experiences with other participants and to find out how others are getting on.

To access [Moodle](#), you will need to enter your GOsC registration number in the 'username' field. You will also need to enter your password, which you were sent in September. If you have forgotten your password, please contact the Professional Standards team on 020 7357 6655 ext 235 or email revalidation@osteopathy.org.uk.

CPD Discussion Document

Revalidation and continuing professional development (CPD) are closely related. Is the current CPD scheme fit for purpose? Should there be changes to the CPD cycle and the required hours?

The [CPD Discussion Document](#)

Questions for Caitrian



Caitrian Guthrie, Assessment Expert, is on hand to answer your questions, so please do get in touch. You can contact Caitrian at: caitrian1@yahoo.co.uk or via the Moodle site.

To help you navigate Moodle more easily, we have prepared a detailed guide, which is available at: <http://morgaine.e-learndesign.co.uk/~brainpod/mod/forum/discuss.php?d=76>.

There is also further support available from the GOsC. You can email Fiona or Marcus at: revalidation@osteopathy.org.uk or you can call 020 7357 6655 ext 235.

Feeding back to KPMG

The second KPMG survey of your experiences of the pilot to date will be emailed to you on Saturday 14 April 2012. You will be able to complete the survey between Monday 16 April and Friday 27 April 2012.

Please do complete the evaluation online as this is the most efficient way of inputting data directly for analysis. If you have recently changed your email address, please let us know by emailing your new details to: osteopathy@kpmg.co.uk or revalidation@osteopathy.org.uk. A hard copy of the survey will be sent to those who have requested it.

If you would like to keep a copy of your survey results, you can download a blank survey from the [Moodle website](#) to record your

considers the purpose and aims of the current scheme, its effectiveness and possible options for change. If you have a view on how to take the scheme forward, please take a look at the [discussion document](#) and [response form](#) available on our website.

For further information on the document, contact the Professional Standards Department on 020 7357 6655 ext 238 or email: cpd@osteopathy.org.uk.

Revalidation Pilot Participation Manual

The Manual contains guidelines and templates to help you generate your four pieces of evidence for the purposes of the pilot. Completed examples are also included so you can see how each template might look when finished.

The Manual is available to view [here](#).

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responses.

As part of the independent evaluation of the revalidation scheme, KPMG is keen to explore osteopathic patients' views about the need for practitioners to keep up to date. We know from previous surveys undertaken by the [General Medical Council](#) and the [General Dental Council](#) that the general public expects doctors and dentists to keep up to date. However, we would like to know if osteopathic patients' views are the same.

KPMG is therefore establishing a patient focus group and needs your help in recruiting members. We'd be extremely grateful if you could ask your patients to complete this [survey](#), which will take less than five minutes.

This will enable KPMG to get in touch with osteopathic patients to inform their evaluation report.

What are other participants up to?



Following on from last month's update on what other pilot participants have been up to, we heard from Greg Guillon, an osteopath in Chiswick.

Greg told us that he "found the patient's feedback questionnaire –the CARE measure – a really interesting tool to use which provided me

with objective evidence on my practice. Although the design and data analysis can sometimes make you feel like doing your dissertation again (depending when you graduated!), it is great to work on/with a piece of evidence which is objective and comes directly from your patients.

"As the design and set-up is done, I am thinking of using the CARE measure as a form of patient feedback again later this year to have a second 'snap shot' of what I'm doing well and potential areas for development required in my practice."

Good luck Greg, we look forward to hearing how you get on with your next pieces of evidence.

If you would like to share your experiences with other participants, please email us at revalidation@osteopathy.org.uk or call 020 7357 6655 ext 235.

Revalidation pilot assessors

We have now recruited a diverse pool of 31 revalidation pilot assessors who use a variety of different treatment approaches and have a varied patient population. The pool includes osteopaths who are also taking part in the pilot.

Further information on the assessors, along with short biographies, will be available in the next Revalidation Round-up and in the June/July issue of *The Osteopath*. We will also make available any additional guidance provided to the assessors after their training day in May.

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