



General Osteopathic Council (Recognition of Qualifications)  
(British College of Osteopathic Medicine) Approval 2010

Made - - - - - 22nd February 2010

Coming into force - - - 23rd February 2010

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 22nd day of February 2010

by the Lords of Her Majesty's Honourable Privy Council

The Privy Council, in exercise of its powers under sections 14(2) and 15(6) of the Osteopaths Act 1993(a) and having had regard to the information made available by the General Osteopathic Council in accordance with section 14(7) of that Act, makes the following Approval.

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.— (1) This Approval may be cited as the General Osteopathic Council (Recognition of Qualifications) (British College of Osteopathic Medicine) Approval 2010 and comes into force on 23rd February 2010.

(2) In this Approval—

“BCOM” means the British College of Osteopathic Medicine;

“the Qualification” means the Master of Osteopathy qualification awarded by BCOM during the period beginning on 1st October 2008 and ending on 30th September 2013.

**Recognition of the Qualification and imposition of conditions**

2. The Privy Council approves the following—

- (a) the recognition of the Qualification by the General Osteopathic Council; and
- (b) the imposition of conditions by the General Osteopathic Council in relation to the Qualification as set out in the Schedule.

Clerk of the Privy Council

Conditions relating to the Qualification:

CONDITIONS	
a.	BCOM must submit an Annual Report to the Education Committee of the General Osteopathic Council.
b.	<p>BCOM must inform the Education Committee of the General Osteopathic Council early, of any change or proposed substantial change likely to influence the quality of the course leading to the Qualification and its delivery, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) substantial changes in finance</li> <li>ii) substantial changes in management</li> <li>iii) changes to the title of the Qualification</li> <li>iv) changes to the level of the Qualification</li> <li>v) introduction or changes to franchise agreements</li> <li>vi) changes to validation agreements</li> <li>vii) changes to the length of the course and the mode of its delivery</li> <li>viii) substantial changes in clinical provision</li> <li>ix) changes in teaching personnel</li> <li>x) changes in assessment programmes</li> <li>xi) changes in student entry requirements</li> <li>xii) changes in student numbers.</li> </ul>
c.	BCOM must comply with the General Osteopathic Council's requirements for the assessment of the osteopathic clinical performance of students and its requirements for monitoring the quality and ensuring the standards of this assessment. The participation of real patients in a real clinical setting must be included in this assessment. Any changes in these requirements will be communicated in writing to BCOM giving not less than 9 months' notice.