

Assessing the draft revalidation scheme

KPMG will carry out five pieces of work that will contribute to the final revalidation scheme.

How osteopaths practise

This will look at the range of practice undertaken by osteopaths to give us a detailed picture of how osteopaths practise. KPMG are looking at information we already have, talking to members of the GOsC Regional Communications Network, carrying out a survey of osteopaths and holding focus groups. The results will help to ensure that the revalidation scheme and the pilots of the scheme are appropriate for osteopaths and their practice.

What other regulators are doing

KPMG will look at the work on revalidation done so far by other health regulators, to help us develop an appropriate scheme. We want to ensure that osteopaths are revalidated in ways similar to other health professionals, but by a scheme appropriate to the practice of osteopathy.

Costs and benefits

This will propose measures to help us identify the costs and benefits of revalidation, before the piloting of the scheme is carried out.

Evaluation of the revalidation pilots

There will be a report evaluating the results of the revalidation scheme pilots. It will include detailed interviews with the osteopaths who volunteered to take part in the pilots.

Final report

There will be a final report consisting of a full evaluation of the revalidation scheme for osteopaths, including the possible consequences of introducing the scheme.