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Section 14 of the Osteopaths Act 1993, Recognised Qualifications Renewal of Recognition of the Master of Osteopathic Medicine and the Bachelor of Osteopathic Medicine at North East Surrey College of Technology (NESCOT)

This is to confirm that the Privy Council has considered the request from the General Osteopathic Council ("the General Council") regarding the recognition of the Master of Osteopathic Medicine and the Bachelor of Osteopathic Medicine at NESCOT from 1 November 2018 to 31 October 2023 subject to the conditions presented on the draft Recognised Qualification order attached below.

The Privy Council, in exercise of its powers under sections 14(2) and 15(6) of the Osteopaths Act 1993 (c. 21) and having regard to the information made available by the General Council in accordance with Section 14(7) of that Act in its letter to the Clerk to the Privy Council dated 12 June 2018, together with the enclosures to that letter, by this letter approves those qualifications awarded during the periods stated above, and approves the imposition of conditions by the General Council as set out in the following table:

## **CONDITIONS**

- a. The North East Surrey College of Technology must ensure the provision of adequate patient numbers (of sufficient range and diversity) together with improving the patient allocation process and generating accurate information to allow effective management, monitoring and review of students' clinical experience.
- b. The North East Surrey College of Technology must maintain students' clinical experience through the recruitment of sufficient students to

	sustain the differential between the numbers of standard entry pathway
	students and certification of prior learning students.
C.	The North East Surrey College of Technology must submit an Annual

Report, within a three month period of the date the request was first made, to the Education Committee of the General Council.

- d. The North East Surrey College of Technology must inform the Education Committee of the General Council as soon as practicable, 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:
  - i. substantial changes in finance
  - ii. substantial changes in management
  - iii. changes to the title of the qualification
  - iv. changes to the level of the qualification
  - v. changes to franchise agreements
  - vi. changes to validation agreements
  - vii. changes to the length of the course and the mode of its delivery
  - viii. substantial changes in clinical provision
  - ix. changes in teaching personnel
  - x. changes in assessment
  - xi. changes in student entry requirements
  - xii. changes in student numbers (an increase or decline of 20 per cent or more in the number of students admitted to the course relative to the previous academic year should be reported)
  - xiii. changes in patient numbers passing through the student clinic (an increase or decline of 20 per cent in the number of patients passing through the clinic relative to the previous academic year should be reported)
  - xiv. changes in teaching accommodation
  - xv. changes in IT, library and other learning resource provision
- e. The North East Surrey College of Technology must comply with the General 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. These are outlined in the publication: Subject Benchmark Statement: Osteopathy, 2015, Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education and Guidance for Osteopathic Pre-registration Education, 2015, General Osteopathic Council. 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 the North East Surrey College of Technology giving not less than 9 months notice.

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