

<b>Agenda item:</b>	<b>5.4</b>
<b>Report title:</b>	<b>NHS England's progress update</b>
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<b>Action:</b>	<b>To note</b>

## **Executive summary**

The annexed report updates the Board with the latest information on the progress of revalidation in England.

## **Recommendation**

The Revalidation Advisory Board is asked to note the update report.

## 5.4 – UK progress updates – NHS England

### 5.4 – Annex

#### Medical Revalidation NHS England's progress update

- A set of locum agency case studies have been developed for discussion at the RO regional network meetings that are taking place between 7 March and 28 April 2016. It is clear that the issues around locums are complex and further work is being planned for 2016/17.
- Following a national evaluation of the Independent Verification (IV) visiting process, we are revisiting the model to ensure consistency based upon the findings of the evaluation. It is likely that the new model will place more emphasis on agreeing an action plan rather than producing a report. It will also enable greater flexibility in the structure of meetings. The model is being developed in partnership with NHS England's regional colleagues. Following sign off the new model will be implemented from April 2016.
- Work is well underway to develop a framework and guidance around the medical revalidation information flows that take place about a doctor between responsible officers and designated bodies. The aim of the work is to map out the various situations where information may be requested or needs to be exchanged, including routine and ad-hoc flows. The intention is to publish the guidance by the end of March 2016.
- Following stakeholder feedback and consultation, rigorous user-testing of the updated MAG form is drawing to a close. The main content and sections of the form remain similar to the original version but there have been some minor tweaks to improve its look, feel and user-friendliness. The revised form is on track to be published in March 2016.

- The four regions are continuing their regular RO and appraisal network meetings. Further information on the dates and locations of the meetings can be found from the regional revalidation leads through accessing the following link on NHS England's Revalidation website:

<http://www.england.nhs.uk/revalidation/about-us/>

- In addition, quarterly events for NHS England ROs are continuing. The next one is scheduled to take place on 5 May in London.
- In anticipation of the end of the implementation phase in England, final meetings of the England Revalidation Implementation Board (ERIB) and its Stakeholder Reference Group (SRG) will be held in March. The Annual Organisation Audit (AOA) exercise will be held in April and a final SRO report is expected in the autumn.