



Medical School Annual Return - Section B

GMC quality assurance items

This sheet is pre-populated with open GMC visit requirements and recommendations. Please provide updates on all items. Supporting documents and action plans may be required to evidence progress.

Item number	GMC item	Promoting excellence theme	Description of item	Date item was identified (DD/MM/YY)	How was the item identified?	Previous updates with additional information requested by the GMC	What actions have been taken to resolve the concern over the past 12 months?	What further actions have been planned to resolve the concern?	Deadline for resolution (DD/MM/YY)	Status	Person responsible	Supporting documents (if required)
QA10409	GMC visit recommendation	Theme 5 Developing and implementing curricula and assessments	The School should review the scheduling of the programme to allow sufficient travel time for travel time to clinical placements, particularly those in Perth.	16/04/2018	2017/18 OAF National Review of Scotland - Dundee School of Medicine	The wrong start time was recorded for sessions running in Perth. This has been amended and an extra 30 minutes travelling time has been included to allow students to reach their afternoon placements comfortably. Teaching staff in morning sessions have been reminded of the importance of finishing on time to allow students to travel to afternoon placements.	This was a mistake and has now been rectified. Students have the amount of travel time that they were meant to.	No further action		Plan in place	Undergraduate Manager (David Russell at time of completion of action)	
QA10408	GMC visit recommendation	Theme 5 Developing and implementing curricula and assessments	The School should review the timetabling and delivery of the basic science lectures in the early years of the programme.	16/04/2018	2017/18 OAF National Review of Scotland - Dundee School of Medicine	The feedback for Principals block is positive but there is a lot of information included in order to ensure all students have a solid foundation in basic science before progressing to the systems blocks. There is an ongoing review of content to see if some of the learning activities could be delivered elsewhere in the course in order to reduce the lecture burden.	The school has started a curriculum review process that includes years 1 - 3 and will cover Principals block. This is in the early stages but lecture burden is included in the review.	Curriculum review will be ongoing for the rest of 2018/19 before decisions are made around any changes to make. There will then be an implementation phase of any curriculum changes.	01/09/2020	Plan in place	Head of Undergraduate Medicine (Dr Ellie Hothersall)	
QA10407	GMC visit recommendation	Theme 1 Learning environment and culture	The School should review the process for providing students with IT access at NHS Tayside to ensure it is consistent.	16/04/2018	2017/18 OAF National Review of Scotland - Dundee School of Medicine	NHS IT access given to 1st year medical students. Email communication from Dean of Medicine and Director of Medical Education to students and staff respectively reminding them around Data Protection and ensuring login details are not shared. NHS Teaching Leads advised that all students have NHS IT access. Ongoing review of access and ensuring students obtain experience in using NHS systems in preparation for practice.	Students are reminded of their responsibility and also that access to clinical portals is set up in year 4. Students all obtain NHS LDAP accounts in year 1 and are now reminded that they do have accounts.	Continue with reminders and access set up.		Plan in place	Undergraduate Manager - Mrs Kara Knight	
QA10406	GMC Visit Requirements	Theme 2 Educational governance and leadership	The School must continue to monitor the capacity available for students on clinical placements at LEPS.	16/04/2018	2017/18 OAF National Review of Scotland - Dundee School of Medicine	The School is working closely with its partners (NHS Health Boards, Primary Care etc..) to ensure that current placements remain sustainable. Monthly capacity and curriculum development meetings, involving key stakeholders, arranged. Primary care recruitment drive in motion to look at increasing use of community placements to increase capacity. Development of new approaches to student blocks developed with clinical partners and students for trial in 2019.	A working group has been set up that includes representation from NHS Tayside, NHS Fife and Medical School. This working group looks at capacity issues as well as plans for increasing placement providers, particularly in General Practice to support the increase in longitudinal clerkships being offered, particularly to ScotGEM students. This particular work is being led by Professor Maggie Bartlett. We are currently trialling a new type of placement that includes shift work etc. that lasts for 8 weeks. This is intended to provide more realistic shadowing experience for students and also increase capacity in clinical environments. Upon completion there will be a review exercise to assess satisfaction from students as well as NHS colleagues.	Capacity working group will continue long-term as pressures on placements will continue going forward as medical student numbers increase. Action plan for implementation of new placement programme will depend on outcome of review process that will commence in February 2019	01/04/2019	Plan in place	Undergraduate Manager - Mrs Kara Knight Head of GP Teaching - Prof Maggie Bartlett Head of undergraduate school - Dr Ellie Hothersall	
QA10405	GMC Visit Requirements	Theme 1 Learning environment and culture	The School must review the balance between the informal and formal raising concerns process	16/04/2018	2017/18 OAF National Review of Scotland - Dundee School of Medicine	Draft policy to be approved by School committee. Recruit staff to act as points of contact to discuss and log concerns whilst adhering to thresholds for escalation outlined in policy. Development of secure IT resource to capture concerns and provide analysis and reporting of concerns. Artwork developed to promote to students and plan developed to embed the process into the student experience.	Plan for implementation in place. Artwork etc is developed. The project is still being held up by IT department as we do not have a secure method for online forms currently. Due diligence is underway for this and when complete the project will commence. We have a student staff liaison committee where concerns can be raised and students have been involved in the development of new draft policy.	Due diligence for IT forms. Staff training, advertising and communication of raising concerns	01/06/2019	Plan in place	Undergraduate manager - was Dr David Russell at time action was completed	

