

Medical School Annual Return - Section C
Quality of medical education within the medical school

You should use this sheet to highlight concerns and areas of good practice within the medical school to us. The reporting thresholds in the guidance document would guide you for reporting.

Item number	Item type	Please list the years of students affected	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 (outstanding items ONLY)	What actions have been taken to address the concern or to promote the area of good practice over the past 12 months?	What further actions have been planned to address the concern or to promote the area of good practice in the future?	Deadline for resolution (DD/MM/YY) Concerns ONLY	Status Concerns ONLY	Person responsible	Engagement with deanery, HEE local offices or other organisations including healthcare regulators (if any)	Supporting documents (if required)
HYK17-02		All	Theme 5 Developing and implementing curricula and assessments	Marking of Critically Appraised Topics took longer than planned with markers difficult to identify and appoint.	07/02/2017	Report from the Phase II Sub-Committee to the MBBS Programme Board	i) CAT markers now comprise clinical tutors (c. 65% CATs) and HYMS academics (c. 35% CATs); ii) Students in Year 3 now take their first CAT during rotation 2 (not 1), to reduce the demand on students at the start of transition to Phase 2; iii) Students in years 3 and 4 now take their second CAT of the year during rotation 3, so that feedback on CATs is always received a long period before summer exams; iv) CAT submission and marking is carried out on the HYMS Virtual Learning Environment, increasing the monitoring of submission and marking timeliness, and allowing moderation of marking; v) markers have been set realistic marking deadlines. For the first CAT in 2017-18 all marking was returned to students in 17 working days; we are on course to repeat this for the second CAT of 2017-18. vi) CATs now have dedicated administrative support in HYMS, which has increased the efficiency of marking and moderation.	See supporting evidence Medical School Annual Return January 2019 : Section C : HYK1702	N/A	13.09.2018 (concern closed with report to MBBS Programme Board)		Head of Quality and Standards	N/A	See supporting evidence Medical School Annual Return January 2019 : Section C : HYK1702
HYK1819-g001	Good Practice	0	Theme 5 Developing and implementing curricula and assessments	A foundation year (Gateway to Medicine) was developed, which forms the first year of a 6 year MB BS programme. This programme is specifically marketed to applicants from a Widening Participation (WP) background, who are not predicted to attain the A-level grades to enter the standard 5-year MB BS programme, but have key attributes to study and practice medicine. Applicants from the Medical School's operational region are prioritised. The first cohort is due to start in September 2019.	27/06/2017	During the Medical School's expansion bid development, an identified priority was to enhance local recruitment and the School's objective of increasing Widening Participation (WP) via the development of the gateway programme. A paper was initially presented at the Management Board in summer 2017, showing evidence of similar programmes offered by other Medical Schools. The intention to develop the programme was submitted as part of the expansion bid in November 2017. Discussions took place with Gateway Programme Directors from other Medical Schools, and they were very encouraging regarding the impact that this additional year has. Final approval was received in July 2018. Promotional strategies involving local schools were developed and a webinar held and website created. We worked with the Admissions teams both in the Medical School and at the University of York to ensure the new programme was on UCAS when the application cycle began.		The programme received academic and business committee approval. This involved external assessment, as is standard practice.	We are actively promoting the new MBBS programme with the Gateway Year at Open Days and locally (working with the Communications Team, the Student Recruitment and Admissions team) via various fora, including updates from the Dean in the Annual Monitoring visit /documents and our NHS Partnership Group.			Gateway to Medicine Programme Director	N/A	N/A
HYK1819-g002	Good Practice	01/01/1900	Theme 1 Learning environment and culture	The five year medical undergraduate programme is undergoing a period of expansion. This is in-line with national plans to increase the number of medical students which was announced in March 2017. The Year 1 intake in 2019 will be 220 students compared to the previous 141.	01/03/2017	Initially through government consultation. The allocation of places was notified in March 2018.		A project team and steering group were put in place to provide guidance. An Expansion project team was formed to scale up academic and placement requirements for the increase.	The teaching space on the York Campus will be redeveloped with a focus on providing appropriate space for the increased student numbers. Additional teaching space provision on the Hull campus is already in place.			Chief Operating Officer	N/A	N/A
HYK1819-g003	Good Practice	current Year 2 medical students	Theme 3 Supporting learners	Following an evaluation of the quality of the student experience at a Year 2 GP practice - and a mutual recognition that the practice currently lacked capacity to deliver the activities required - students were removed from a GP practice at the end of December 2018.	01/11/2018	Problems were identified as a consequence of (i) a query directed to all students on the quality of delivery of a planned activity (ii) a student-initiated concern raised with the Medical School about the quality of the placement.		As part of our active management, and embedded quality assurance of all Primary Care placements (as documented in our current Policy on the Quality Assurance of Primary Care Placements (2018)) a site-visit was conducted by the School Primary Care team. All issues were explored and a decision was reached that the practice could not currently support placement requirements. Students have now been reallocated to a new placement with an established track record of delivering teaching. This process was completed within 4 weeks of the problems being first raised.	A new Service Level Agreement has been collaboratively created with students and primary care teaching partners. Requirements for teaching are comprehensively outlined for existing and future primary care teaching partners.			Director of Primary Care Education]	N/A	N/A

