

Our regulatory role

Since our inception in 1994, our primary role has been to provide and operate a recognition system for professional homeopathy courses in the United Kingdom. In parallel, we also oversee the Individual Route to Registration with the Society.

We have always supported the principle of independent accreditation for homeopathy courses, and should this be achieved, we will facilitate transition for courses recognised by the Society.

Meanwhile, we have incorporated into our system the criteria agreed through the former Council of Organisations Registering Homeopaths (2007) and endorsed by the Homeopathy Course Providers' Forum. Our aim is to continually develop the independent elements of our process.

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The Society of Homeopaths
representing professional homeopaths

Education Department

Our Services for Course Providers



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Our support and development role

In addition to the provision of a regulatory structure and its monitoring, we have, over the years, built up an impressive range of services for course providers.

These include:

- An experienced and dedicated staff team:

Linda Wicks – Senior Education Advisor. With over 20 years' experience, Linda's main duties are to interpret, deliver and develop The Society's Education Policy, including implementation of the Course Recognition programme. She manages the work of the Education team and the co-ordination of consultancy projects. Linda works closely with The Society's senior staff, board of directors, course providers and other internal and external groups in the interests of carrying out and/or representing existing Education Policy.

Georgie Freemantle – Education Administrator. Her role is to provide co-ordination and administration for the Education Department, and she is responsible for the efficient running of our Education Office. Georgie can help you by:

talking to prospective students about your courses
dealing with enquiries and concerns from staff and students
facilitating and recording student transfers between recognised courses
co-ordinating the Individual Route as an alternative pathway to registration eligibility
collation of statistics on student numbers, grievances, etc

- A designated office which is staffed 3 days per week, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 9am-3pm
- Easy access to our main office in Northampton from 8.30am-4.30pm each weekday
- The Society of Homeopaths' website with designated education area containing the recognised courses list, documentation, guidelines and frequently asked questions

- Promotion of your course through links from our website, which receives on average 16,000 visits per month
- Dissemination of information on education-related matters e.g. NOS revision, research
- Liaison by phone, e-mail and face-to face meetings, to discuss your specific requirements, such as:

Institutional and individual supervision
Focussed dialogue with course staff on request
Support in development planning, programme design
Session observation/participation and feedback
Regular review and feedback – a 'critical friend'

- Provision of educational workshops, seminars and meetings
- Preliminary mediation in concerns/grievances
- Professional body representation on university validation panels
- Professional representation on relevant external bodies when appropriate
- Instant contact through The Society's intranet FirstClass Mail which is available for Society members, giving up-to-the minute access to a wealth of relevant information
- Regular, education-specific newsletter – 'Leading Edge'
- Working with educators in producing guidelines for teaching homeopathy

And for your students

- List of clinical observation/experience opportunities on website
- Reduced rate student membership with the Society
- Student Clinical Membership
- Eligibility for entry to the largest on-line register of professional homeopaths in Europe