

## Approved change to an accredited course or qualification

## Introduction

As part of the standing conditions of approval of education and training the course provider/awarding body must seek approval from the GPhC for any substantial change (or proposed change) which is, or has the potential to be, material to the delivery of an accredited/recognised course/qualification. This includes, but is not limited to:

- a. the content, structure or delivery of the course/qualification;
- b. ownership or management structure of the institution;
- c. resources and/or funding;
- d. student/trainee numbers and/or cohorts and/or admissions policy;
- e. partnership, sub-contracting, licensing or franchise agreements;
- f. staff resource associated with the course/qualification
- g. any changes imposed, or conditions or action plans set by other regulators or through internal or external quality management processes.

The information below is a summary of an approved change to the course of education and training since the last approval event.

Summary and outcome	
Provider/Awarding organisation	University of Central Lancashire (UCLan) School of Pharmacy
Course/qualification	Independent prescribing programme
Current approval period	September 2024 – September 2027
Area to which this change relates	Student numbers
Proposed change	Increase the number of pharmacists from 40 (2 cohorts of 20 students running at the Preston campus) to 60 (3 cohorts of 20 students per cohort consisting of 2 cohorts at the Preston campus and 1 cohort at the Burnley campus from March 2025 to meet local and regional demand. The cohort taught at the Burnley campus will be taught at weekends.

Outcome	Approved
Date approved	17 January 2025