

New Moderators appointed to UKPHR's Quality Assurance team

UKPHR has appointed new Moderators to strengthen its Quality Assurance team. The small team of Moderators is at the heart of all that UKPHR does to assure the quality of its registration services and the integrity of its assessments and registration decisions.

Registration of the core public health workforce with UKPHR continues to grow in popularity and as numbers rise there is more work required to maintain quality assurance. Public health specialists are key leaders of the intensifying focus on prevention in health and social care in the UK and the frontline public health practitioner workforce is developing in many innovative and new ways. In England it is expected that Health Education England will provide fresh impetus to practitioner registration shortly and in Scotland practitioner registration is spreading rapidly.

Carole Wood is joining UKPHR as a Moderator with a focus on quality assurance of specialist registration processes. **Kate Lees** is joining UKPHR as a Moderator with a focus on quality assurance of practitioner registration processes. The impact of these two appointments will be to secure the necessary capacity for quality assurance as UKPHR continues to grow and develop.

The new Moderators will receive induction and training as soon as possible and will join the Moderation team shortly.

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NOTES FOR EDITORS:

1. The UK Public Health Register (UKPHR) is the accredited register for the core public health workforce in the UK. Its register is accredited by Professional Standards Authority. It is a Registered Charity.
2. UKPHR has been registering public health specialists since 2003. In more recent times UKPHR has commenced registration in respect of public health practitioners and Public Health Specialty Registrars.
3. The main purpose of the regulation of members of the public health workforce is to protect, promote and maintain the health and safety of the public. Regulation is important to protect the public, individually and collectively, from bad, harmful and professionally unacceptable public health practice. UKPHR achieves this by ensuring registrants achieve and maintain requisite standards of competence, knowledge and experience as well as adhere to agreed standards of ethical practice.
4. UKPHR is in law a Company limited by Guarantee and its governance is in the hands of a Board of Directors (a maximum of 12 Directors). UKPHR is registered at Companies House. It is also a registered charity in England & Wales and in Scotland.

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