

## Specialty Monitoring report Addendum

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Education Quality Assurance Lead: Natalie Watson

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In November 2022, The GDC published a report which outlined the quality assurance activity that RCS Edin were subject to, including five actions to be addressed by Q2 2023.

In June 2023, Staff at RCS Edin met with the EQA lead to discuss the progress against the specified actions and follow up evidence was received and reviewed.

The EQA team have been assured by the evidence received and are assured sufficient progress has been made against the actions.

Requirements E2,3,4 & 7 have been moved from 'Partly Met' to '**Met**'.

<b>Action number (Requirement)</b>	<b>1. Progress towards report actions:</b>
<b>E2</b>	<p><b>Action 1:</b> Provide an up-to-date copy of the completed FDS Workplan/Risk Register, including a risk management policy which outlines how often the risk register is updated and the governance of this.</p> <p><b>Progress:</b> RCS Edin have provided an up-to-date risk register which has review dates specified throughout.</p> <p><b>Action 2:</b> Provide evidence of how EE report concerns have been addressed.</p> <p><b>Progress:</b> RCS Edin provided evidence of Examination Assessor reports as well as a response to the report document, which provides assurance that any actions are taken from the EE reports and that changes are presented and are considered by the Specialty Advisory Board.</p> <p>We consider that this Action has now been addressed.</p>

	Requirement E2 is now <b>Met</b> .
<b>E3</b>	<p><b>Action 3:</b> Provide evidence that, the standards and consistency of reports and the increase to the number of Assessors in attendance during examinations has improved.</p> <p><b>Progress:</b> RCS Edin provided examples of a template for Examination Assessors which ensures consistency. Each exam has an Assessor present, and a report is given with feedback from the Exam Chair.</p> <p>We are assured that this action has been addressed. Requirement E3 is now <b>Met</b>.</p>
<b>E4</b>	<p><b>Action 4:</b> Provide evidence of actions taken to ensure consistency across all exams.</p> <p><b>Progress:</b> RCS Edin has conducted a training session for Assessors in May 2023 with an additional date planned. RCS Edin plan to have 20 Assessors trained within the next 3-4 months.</p> <p>A guidance document for Assessors was provided which provided assurance that there is a consistent approach to completing the Examination Assessors report which also ensures consistency across all exams.</p> <p>We are assured that this action has been addressed. Requirement E4 is now <b>Met</b>.</p>
<b>E7</b>	<p><b>Action 5:</b> Provide evidence that job descriptions for lead examiners and assessors have been developed and are in use.</p> <p><b>Progress:</b> RCS Edin provided evidence of job descriptions and Assessor and Examiner code of conduct documents, which were approved through Dental Exams Committee. The Job descriptions are published on the RCS Edin website and form part of the training.</p> <p>We are assured that this action has now been addressed. Requirement E7 is now <b>Met</b>.</p>

