

To all practices in Surrey and Sussex

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Dear Colleagues

Update: Appraisal and Revalidation

As colleagues will be aware, the GMC announced in March, in response to the Covid19 emergency, that all GPs with a revalidation recommendation due before September 2020 would be deferred for a year. This will now apply to GPs due to revalidate between October 2020 and 16th March 2021. You should have received a recent letter from your local NHSE Medical Director (Dr Alison Taylor) giving further details

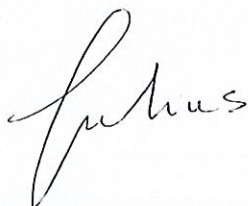
For colleagues who were due to revalidate during this period [until 16th March 2021] NHS England are operating an 'open notice period'. This means that NHS England will review the appraisal information held on such GPs and the local Responsible Officer can make a positive recommendation to the GMC during this period if the information currently available is sufficient to support this. You will be contacted by the GMC to confirm your revalidation if this occurs.

NHS England Appraisals for GPs are currently on hold and discussions are being held with NHS England about the format of any resumed appraisals and a commencement date, noting the strong professional support for reducing the regulatory burden within General Practice. No decisions have yet been made.

Consequently, there is **no action** that needs to be taken by GPs in relation to either their NHS Appraisal or their revalidation. Colleagues can still list their current professional experience to their CID portfolio but any deferral of appraisals to the future will not mean a cumulative increase in the current expected annual 50 CPD 'points'.

If colleagues have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me

With best wishes



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