

ACCREDITATION THROUGH PARTNERSHIP



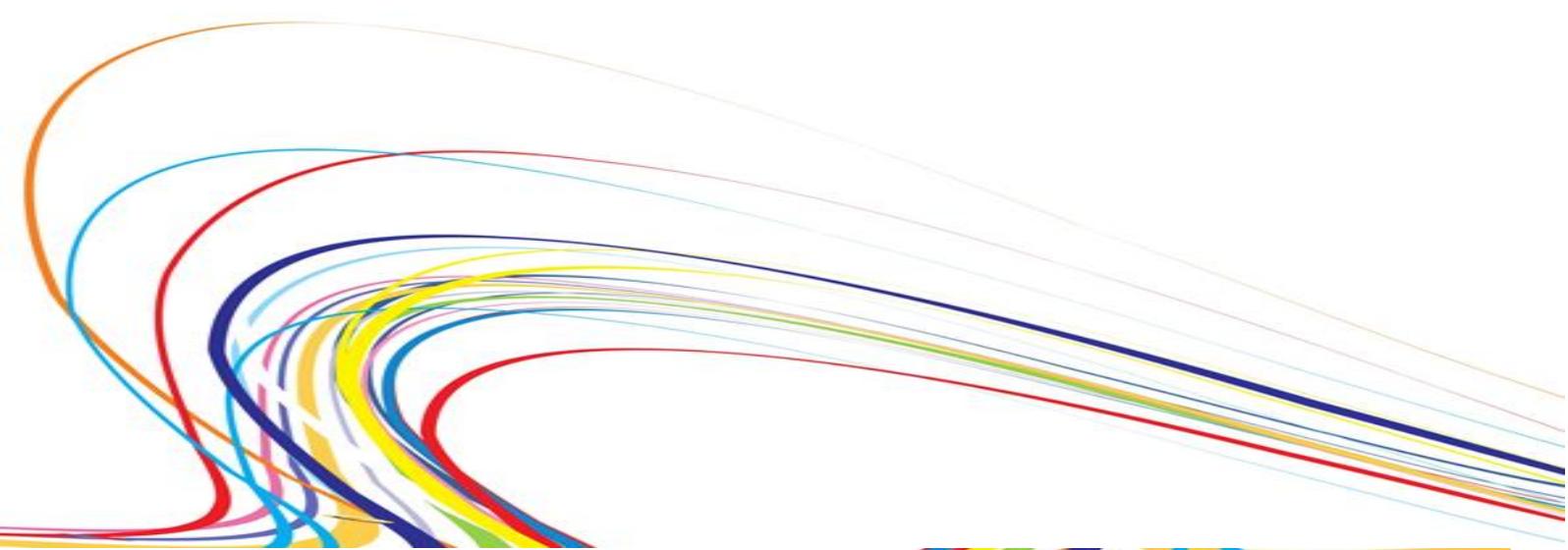
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Suggested timetable: Applied Psychology training for Associate Psychologists

The timetable below provides a guide for education providers planning for a partnership visit. It is a suggested timetable; therefore we are keen for you to propose a timetable that best meets your needs. Please note that if your partnership visit involves more than one programme, you will need to work closely with us to put together a timetable that meets our needs.

Please remember to let us know about any specific areas of your programme and its development about which you would particularly welcome the input of the Society's reviewers. This will enable us to plan our time effectively in relation to each meeting, and ensures that, as a partner to this process, you have appropriate opportunities to influence the content and direction of the visit.

If you have any questions about planning for your visit, please get in touch with the Partnership and Accreditation Team at pact@bps.org.uk.



8.30am	Arrival
8.45am	<p>Private meeting of visiting team</p> <p>This meeting enables the Society's visiting team to revisit their discussions from the evening prior to the visit, and to agree which members of the team will lead on particular areas of the discussion.</p>
9.00am	<p>Meeting with trainees</p> <p>This meeting allows the panel to gauge trainees' experience of the programmes being considered at the partnership visit. The meeting should ideally include around 8-10 trainees from your programme, although if more wish to attend they are more than welcome to do so.</p> <p>Any issues raised will be discussed with the programme team if appropriate.</p>
10.00am	Private meeting of visiting team / comfort break
10.15am	<p>Meeting with Commissioners (please note that this may not be appropriate for all Associate Psychologist programmes)</p> <p>The commissioners are invited to meet the visiting team together to discuss the ways in which they are working with services (as employers of trainees) to ensure that they are aware of and are able to meet their responsibilities in relation to trainees' learning needs. The programme may also invite other colleagues with an interest in commissioning education and training. The visiting team will also wish to explore future commissioning plans.</p>
10.45am	Private meeting of visiting team / comfort break
11.00am	<p>Meeting with the programme team</p> <p>The meeting with the programme team will focus upon the three dimensions of educational delivery, trainee needs and service needs, with a predominant focus on the first of these. It will provide the visiting team with an opportunity to discuss and ask questions about the programme and the quality of its relationships with its service partners that enable our quality standards to be fulfilled. It will also provide an opportunity to explore the specific local context in which training is delivered, and the ways in which the programme is responsive to these.</p>
12.30pm	<p>Lunch</p> <p>The visiting team will require 15 minutes of private discussion time prior to the Senior Management Meeting. We therefore ask that the lunch area is as close as possible to the base room that is being used for the meetings throughout the day.</p>
1.15pm	<p>Meeting with Senior Management</p> <p>This meeting allows the team to discuss the programme with those responsible for its resourcing and financing. It is a chance for the team to learn more about the ways in which the programme fits within the wider Departmental and institutional strategy, and about the Department or institution's vision for psychology in the future.</p>

2:00pm	Private meeting of visiting team / comfort break
2.15pm	<p>Meeting with service supervisor / clinical leads</p> <p>Service supervisors and clinical leads will be asked to outline the ways in which they meet trainees' individual learning needs, particularly in relation to supervision and access to appropriate patients. The visiting team will also wish to explore services' responsibilities as employers of trainees, and the ways in which these are being met, as well ask the extent to which graduates of the programme meet local service and community needs..</p>
3:00pm	<p>Private meeting of visiting team</p> <p>This meeting enables the visiting team to formulate their feedback.</p>
3:30pm	<p>Feedback meeting with programme team</p> <p>The visiting team will give informal feedback on its recommended outcome and any conditions, recommendations or commendations. The feedback session is open to the programme team plus any other colleagues that the programme wishes to invite.</p>
4.00pm	Finish