

Action Plan



This Action Plan must be completed electronically and submitted in Microsoft Word format to regulation@sqa.org.uk by 9 December 2021.

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1. Principles 6 & 11	The provider-devised <i>Equal Opportunities</i> policy (reviewed 2 July 2021) given to the Accreditation Auditor by Provider 1 does not reference the Equality Act 2010, nor does it reference all nine protected characteristics — it is missing pregnancy and maternity.	Very Low	EduQual will work with our provider and ensure the required revision is made. The evidence to be provided will be the revised document as made available to SQA Accreditation.	31 January 22	24/1/2022

¹ If the awarding body believes it has completed the action prior to approval of the Action Plan by ACG, insert the considered date of completion. The date will be subject to review depending on the quality of the evidence supplied.

² Issues can only be closed out once the evidence to complete the action has been quality reviewed and the Action Plan has been approved by ACG. The period of time between ACG approval and the date the Issue is closed out is not necessarily reflective of any quality issues.

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2. Principles 6 & 14	<p>On reviewing the provider-devised <i>Malpractice Policy (2015)</i> given to the Accreditation Auditor by Provider 1, it made no reference that they must inform the awarding body when any cases of malpractice are suspected or discovered.</p> <p>In addition, the policy does not mention maladministration. The Accreditation Auditor acknowledges that there have not been any incidences of malpractice or maladministration at the provider regarding SQA accredited qualifications.</p> <p>Nonetheless, the policy does not ensure</p>	Low	This policy will be reviewed and appropriate amendment made. Again, the evidence will be the revised document and as will be made to SQA Accreditation by the amended date.	31 Jan 22	24/1/2022

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	necessary safeguards to prevent and manage cases of malpractice and maladministration, in accordance with the Regulatory Principle 14.				

Action Plan approved by ACG on Wednesday 19 January 2022