

Q: Will the student be remunerated during the short/long placements?

A: No, for the short placements. For the long placement, yes by the placement provider.

Q: Just to clarify - other universities might be offering a course where they will still need to sit a more traditional placement with an OSCE at the end of it?

A: All universities are expected to convert to their adapted programmes by next year. The Scheme for Registration will be phased out as the 'handbook' (pre ETR) degrees are taught out. The OSCE is an option during CLiP, to date no university has confirmed they will be definitely incorporating it into their programme.

Q: Can students on CLiP be expected to work on the weekend or a late night?

A: Yes, within reason. The student should work no more than 30 hours over four working days per week, with roughly equal hours each day

Q: Who will pay for travel back to university for learning days during CLiP?

A: The student will pay. We do not anticipate this being a significant number of days.

Q: With the move to align with other allied health professions, will the MOptom course contain any first aid training?

A: This is not mandated by the GOC but is an option for Cardiff graduates.

Q: Would practices still get health board funding or funding from the university for taking a student through the long placement?

A: At this moment in time the pre-registration supervisor grant still exists. The sector is working with relevant stakeholders to ensure this is maintained and/or renegotiated.

Q: As a Supervisor, can I opt in and out of certain placement types depending on the capacity that I have in practice?

A: Yes, of course. You can choose between first, second, third year short placements and/or CLiP placements. If you agree to CLiP the expectation is it will be for the

duration of CLiP. Please note although CLiP will be the same across the whole UK, short placements will differ in other universities.

Q: Is there funding available for me to supervise a student in my LV clinic? I have in the past had pre reg come to my practice for LV experience as their practice does not offer this.

A: No, not from Cardiff University as we can offer this experience on campus. Other universities may be able to offer funding.

Q: If the university holds responsibility for the trainee, will they also be responsible for investigating in the event of trainee misconduct during CLiP assessments?

A: Yes, although this depends on the nature of the misconduct. The university, the College of Optometrists and the employer will all have responsibility and may need to work together in some situations. In some circumstances the employer may wish to use their usual processes but needs to ensure that both the university and the College of Optometrists' are informed.

Q: Will the clip in year 3 be similar to the early pre-reg in which they start testing patients for eye exams and contact lenses or will they not have the experience yet?

A: Cardiff will not be running CLiP in Year 3. For those institutions that have CLiP in Year 3 the College and the GOC will have confirmed that the students have the equivalent level of experience before commencing CLiP.

Q: How will student attendance be logged during the long placement?

A: We would expect the student to inform the practice and the university if they are unable to attend. We would also expect the practice to advise the university of any absences. The hope is this will be facilitated by the College CLiP portal.

Q: Will it be up to the students to find their own placements?

A: Students will have to apply for placements via the College CLiP portal.

Q: Will students be completing quality improvement skills and training as part of the course in alignment with many other medical professions?

A: Yes, as appropriate for undergraduate training

Q: Will there be funding for practices to take students on short placements?

A: Not from the University.