

Moderation Feedback — Central

Assessment Panel:

PSE

Qualification area:

**Subject(s) and Level(s)
Included in this report**

PSE — HN and NQ units from Access 3

Central Moderation

General comments on central moderation activity

The presentation of candidate's evidence was mixed and of the nine centres presenting for retrospective moderation, four were not accepted. Units were from across the range within the moderation group and issues were resolved promptly by most centres, with support from EMs. Planning as a result of self evaluation exercises was highlighted for development in centres. More guidance was required where NABs were either not used or not available for use. In one case, a centre was unaware of a change in the Unit content and was using IAs which were inappropriate. Such a high level of misinterpretation/lack of clarity gives concern.

The central moderation event was used as a training event for a new moderator and to confirm standardisation.

Of the centres whose work was accepted, there was generally well organised evidence with clear links to the Outcomes. There was also some integrated assessment at HN level which was cross referenced successfully.

Specific issues identified

Evidence of a need for:

- ◆ ongoing support for centres, especially in planning skills held within Units
- ◆ enhancement of NAB materials
- ◆ exemplification of standards/of candidate work at both NQ and HN levels
- ◆ clarification over standards within work experience Units

Feedback to centres

Centres have received full written reports which underline where good practice has been recognised. Recommendations for any minor issues to be addressed have also been included. Where issues required more serious attention, a development visit was suggested. This was taken up by most of the centres who had not been accepted and proved invaluable in both clarifying what was required and supporting the process of achieving a satisfactory outcome. Centres welcomed the contact from the EV in person or in a very distant case, an extremely long telephone call and report. This was further confirmed in the pilot study on Incomplete Evidence.