

Become a UKPHR Specialist assessor and shape the future of Public Health

Are you passionate about public health and eager to make a broader impact? Becoming a UKPHR Specialist Registration by Portfolio Assessment (SRbPA) Assessor offers a unique way to support the next generation of public health leaders, contribute to your profession, and develop your own expertise - all within a dynamic peer community.

Why Become an Assessor?

Make a Lasting Impact

Assessors play a crucial role in maintaining high standards in public health. Your evaluations help ensure that only the most capable professionals achieve specialist registration, directly influencing the quality of the workforce and safeguarding public health for the future.

Support Your Profession

Many assessors find the role deeply rewarding. By sharing your expertise, you help colleagues advance in their careers and strengthen the public health community. It's an opportunity to leave a meaningful legacy.

Develop Your Skills

You'll receive comprehensive training and ongoing professional development in this role. It will strengthen your analytical and mentoring skills, keep you up to date with evolving professional standards, and offer exposure to a wide range of experiences through portfolio reviews and peer interactions. The continuous learning involved also supports your Continuing Professional Development (CPD). By helping others achieve registration, you will be fulfilling a key aspect of the consultant role, contributing to the development of the wider profession

Join a Collaborative Network

Become part of a supportive group of experienced public health professionals committed to excellence and inclusion. UKPHR provides full administrative support, training, and guidance so you can focus on high-quality assessment and feedback.

Flexible and Fulfilling

This voluntary position is designed to fit around your existing commitments. Assessors typically review a manageable number of applications each year, with clear expectations and ongoing support. Your experience is valued, whether you're actively working or recently retired.

Key Responsibilities

- Review pre-applications and full portfolios from candidates.
- Consult with a moderator as needed.
- Complete assessment documentation promptly and accurately.
- Present your findings at Registration Panel meetings.
- Address queries from the Registration Panel and Moderators.
- Provide constructive feedback to applicants.
- Engage with applications online, with some materials provided in print.

Commitment & Requirements

- Attend a two-day training session before starting.
- Stay updated with best practices and guidance.
- Participate in at least one development session annually.
- Assess a minimum of three pre-applications and one portfolio each year.
- Collaborate with another assessor to determine assessment outcomes.
- Present assessments to the Registration Panel.
- Join feedback meetings with applicants (online).
- See the assessment through to completion

Support for Assessors

- Comprehensive initial training and ongoing support.
- Access to QA moderators and the UKPHR office for queries.
- Administrative tasks managed by UKPHR.
- Annual support review with a moderator.

Eligibility Criteria

Essential

Applicants must:

- Be registered on the Public Health Specialist register with UKPHR, GMC, or GDC (current or within the past five years if retired).
- Have at least 3 years' experience of working at consultant level in public health service, management, or academia.
- Be skilled in assessing evidence of competence and familiar with specialist registration standards.
- Demonstrate independence, confidentiality, and impartiality.
- Show a commitment to equality, diversity, and inclusion, including ongoing training.
- Perform their duties impartially and must avoid situations in which their personal, professional or financial interests, or those of persons or organisations with whom they have a close relationship, could reasonably be perceived to influence their judgement. Any actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest must be declared at the earliest opportunity, recorded in line with UKPHR's organisational procedures, and managed through appropriate measures, which may include reassignment of the assessment or withdrawal of the assessor from the relevant decision-making. Where a conflict cannot be appropriately managed, the assessor must not take part in the assessment activity or related discussions to safeguard the integrity and credibility of the process.
- Retired professionals are welcome if they maintain CPD, undergo annual appraisals, and attend development sessions. Bespoke training is available for those returning to practice.

Please note: This is a voluntary role, and many assessors find it highly rewarding.

Register your interest

If you're interested in becoming a specialist assessor, please email register@ukphr.org