**Critical Care Blended Learning Framework FAQs 2022**

HEE’s vision is to provide the right workforce, with the right skills and values, in the right place at the right time to better meet the holistic patient centred care – now and in the future.

Suitably qualified bidders were invited to tender for the delivery of a standardised Critical Care Qualification for nurses, which could also be accessed by Allied Health Professionals where applicable. This relates to the provision of Adult Critical Care training, to enable a boost in the number of trained and competent staff able to work in critical care and provide consistency in training across the country. This training will support up to as many as 10,500 nursing staff to further their careers in critical care. A central component of the framework is to ensure that individuals undertaking education and training can fully maximise the opportunities available to them through this blended learning provision.

**Q. Is the framework offered at a National and Regional Level**

1. Yes, there are a selection of providers (listed below) who are on the framework within regions with a few providers who are offering training nationally.

**Q. Why is a Blended learning QIS programme funding offered via a framework?**

**A.** HEE secured a significant one-off funding to deliver this specialist training which will support up to as many as 10,500 nursing staff to further their careers in critical care. This cost-effective framework has been set up to introduce consistency and provide wider access.

**Q. How do regions and critical care units access these places?**

**A.** Successful providers are [listed in this document](https://healtheducationengland.sharepoint.com/%3Ax%3A/g/Comms/Digital/EckbKkEpi55CkCnrGbpdg9cB4TtUY-JPTHr9c5ExD7GaKg?e=gXzJ15), regional leads and critical care units are advised to contact these providers directly to discuss place availability.

**Q. How do I access training if my local or regional provider on the framework does not have capacity?**

A. There are a few national providers who may be able to accommodate your request for training but should be discussed directly with them.

**List of Providers**

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| **Provider** | **Region/area of provision**  | **Steps/Levels**  |
| City, University of London  | National provision with focus on, LondonSouth eastSouth westEast of England |  1, 2 & 3 |
| East of England Critical Care Operational Delivery Network  | East of England  |  1,2 & 3 |
| Leeds Teaching Hospitals Trust  | North east & Yorkshire  |  1,2 & 3 |
| University of Liverpool  | North westCheshire and Mersey West Lancashire |  1,2 & 3 |
| Oxford Brookes University  | South eastSouth westEast of England |  1,2 & 3 |
| St Georges University of London  | LondonSoutheast England |  1,2 & 3 |
| University of Cumbria  | North west & North east & YorkshireNorth Cumbria & the North East plus South Cumbria and Lancashire |  1,2 & 3 |
| University of Greenwich Faculty of Education and Health | South east, Kent and Medway |  1,2 & 3 |
| Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHSFT | North east & Yorkshire Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHSFT, Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHSFT, Barnsley Hospital NHSFT, Rotherham Foundation Trust. |  1,2 & 3 |
| Coventry University Services Ltd  | National provision with focus onMidlands  |  2 & 3 |
| Greater Manchester Critical Care Skills Institute  | Greater Manchester regions  | 2&3 |
| Liverpool John Moores University  | National with focus on North west Region | 2&3 |
| Northumbria University Business and Enterprise  | North east & Yorkshire  | 2&3 |
| Royal Free Hospital NHS Trust  | London with focus on North Central London + Guys and St Thomas’ NHS Foundation Trust and Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust | 2&3 |
| University of Wolverhampton | Midlands  | 2&3 |
| University of Central Lancashire  | North west with focus on Lancashire and South Cumbria | 1 |

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