

First Aid Quality Partnership statement - Delivery of face-to-face first aid training

As leading first aid training providers we are all committed to ensuring that face-to-face first aid training resumes in a way that is safe for our employees, providers and students. We agree now is not the time for face-to-face training to resume unless absolutely essential such as provision of training to key workers.

We recognise that all providers are unique in their provision and as government advice changes with regard to current lockdown conditions some providers will make different decisions to others. As members of the partnership we also recognise that these decisions would be made based upon each provider's own individual risk assessments, commitment to quality provision of learning and assessment, in line with government, devolved administrations and health and safety executive advice and with the safety of our own employees, provider and delegates paramount in our thoughts.

The partnership remains committed to ensuring that first aid training will be available to employers when it is safe to do so and to help employers meet their health and safety first aid requirements.

The partnership will continue to review the relevant guidance and information and work to find consensus on the best way forward as the UK government and devolved administrations respond to changes in the outbreak.

We intend to provide an industry update based upon the anticipated announcement from the UK government in relation to the indicative changes in lockdown conditions in England (and any variations in the devolved administrations) from the 1 June at which point we will set out our position for the safe return to training in line with the prevailing government advice.

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