

MACP AGM 2025

November 2025

Report:	Committee for Education and Approval
Committee Member:	Dr Andrew Cuff, Chair
Date of report:	October 2025

Overview of Year

This year has focused on embedding our new portfolio routes to membership and finalising infrastructure and processes. The relaunched routes have increasing candidates – particularly route 3, suggestive that the change has been successful in attracting those that the previous structure posed a barrier to. The portfolio route team has also made recommendations to alter the pricing to more accurately reflect the cost of the routes having had a year's experience of all 3 routes.

Regarding HEI routes to membership, we've been informed of two universities closing down their MACP-accredited programmes (MMU, Birmingham) alongside Liverpool Hope being successfully onboarded, and active conversations with two other HEI's to accredit their programme.

There was ongoing support to Course Leads, with a focus the mentored clinical placement.

1. We held an MCP resources and associated webinar on 7th July led by Sharon Chan-Braddock and Caroline Coulthard) with good attendance and positive feedback.
2. We ran a mentor study morning on 12th September led by Colette Ridehalgh and Elaine Dechow, with subsequent session planned for training assessors.
3. We hosted a Course Leads/EA day on the 14th July which was attended by all universities (except QMUL) and attendance from NHSE providing update on MSK Credential, a focus on MCP, and the use of AI within education.

The CEA was refreshed with new leads in post, including Portfolio & Course Leads, with a laser focus on the win-win between HEI and portfolio routes to membership.

Two new courses progressing through validation processes, off the back of the HEI's closing their routes.

Awards – The Maitland Award is under review led by Ross Mallett as despite promotion and examples of how the award can be used it has had no applicants in recent years. Proposed changes including the name and scope of the award are being considered by the CEA before being submitted to the Executive Committee for official approval.

A handover in place for new CEA Chair, Ross Mallet, who starts officially in November after the AGM

Key Development Plans for 25/26

Development Plans:

- Continued support and networking with the two potential HEIs coming on board
- Continued enhancement of Course lead forums and improved communications to potential and current students on MACP routes through them
- Consideration of outreach comms or local contacts in Manchester and Birmingham to capture any holes left by the closure of courses
- Maitland Award amendments
- Artificial Intelligence flagged as potential gap and need for support from membership considering use by students especially on placement.