

# NCH at Northeastern Limited – Specific ongoing conditions of registration

During the initial registration and assessment process the Office for Students has imposed three specific ongoing conditions of registration.

# 3. Specific ongoing condition of registration imposed in relation to Condition A1 (Access and participation plan)

## Specific Ongoing Condition A1C (NCH at Northeastern Limited)

# Outreach strategy, reporting requirements and action plan

<u>A1C.1</u> In accordance with the requirements of <u>A1C.2</u>, NCH at Northeastern Limited must produce, within the Relevant Timeframe, a robust and detailed outreach strategy to support increased higher education participation at the institution of those from underrepresented groups.

A1C.2 The outreach strategy under A1C.1 must demonstrate:

- (a) how NCH at Northeastern Limited will develop its understanding of effective activities, which demonstrate impact on improving participation at the institution of those from underrepresented groups
- (b) how NCH at Northeastern Limited will use good practice published and shared from others in the sector
- (c) how NCH at Northeastern Limited is developing its networks with others in the sector, including, but not limited to, higher education providers, third sector groups, schools, to inform and enhance collaborative practice
- (d) a correlation between evidence-led practice, investment in access measures and increased higher education participation at the institution of those from underrepresented groups
- (e) that, in pursuit of the above, NCH at Northeastern Limited has had due regard to OfS good practice advice including but not limited to Regulatory Advice 6, as revised from time to time.

<u>A1C.3</u> NCH at Northeastern Limited will share this outreach strategy in full with the Director for Fair Access and Participation within the Relevant Timeframe.

<u>A1C.4</u> In accordance with paragraph <u>A1C.5</u>, NCH at Northeastern Limited will produce the Actions setting out in detail how it will implement the outreach strategy. For the avoidance of doubt, the required level of detail is significantly more that the contents of the Approved 2019-20 Access and Participation Plan, as particularised below.

### A1C.5 The Actions must include:

- (a) a set of clearly defined objectives to measure improvements in the outreach strategy, for example the development of: short, medium and long-term goals in outreach, a plan to raise attainment of pupils in schools and colleges, targeted interventions designed to improve participation at the institution for different underrepresented groups;
- (b) a detailed and clear explanation of each of the steps NCH at Northeastern Limited will take to make improvements, how those steps relate to the objectives included pursuant to <u>A1C.5(a)</u>, and the time periods for such improvements (including incremental elements);
- (c) arrangements for how NCH at Northeastern Limited will monitor progress against the steps included pursuant to <u>A1C.5(b)</u> and maintain an informed understanding of the effectiveness of each step.

<u>A1C.6</u> NCH at Northeastern Limited will submit a final and complete version of the Actions (which complies with paragraphs <u>A1C.4</u> and <u>A1C.5</u> to the Director for Fair Access and Participation within the Relevant Timeframe.

#### Definitions for condition A1A, A1B and A1C

In conditions A1A, A1B and A1C:

"Approved 2019-20 Access and Participation Plan" means the plan submitted by NCH at Northeastern Limited and approved by the Director for Fair Access and Participation, pursuant to section 29(3) of the Higher Education and Research Act 2017 in respect of the 2019-20 academic year;

"Director for Fair Access and Participation" means the member of the Office for Students referred to in paragraph 2(1(c) of schedule 1 to the Higher Education and Research Act 2017;

"Office for Students" means the body corporate established by section 1(1) of the Higher Education and Research Act 2017; and

"Relevant Timeframe" means in advance of 5pm on 30 June 2019 and in sufficient time for the provider to prepare and submit a complete and final version of a report to the Office for Students in accordance with paragraph <u>A1B.3 and A1C.3</u>.