



University of Glasgow | Occupational Health Unit

The Occupational Health Department has achieved SEQOHS accreditation.

SEQOHS stands for Safe Effective Quality Occupational Health Services and the accreditation scheme is a stand-alone scheme managed by the Royal College of Physicians of London who manage the process on behalf of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine. Here is the link to the SEQOHS website - <http://www.seqohs.org/>

The SEQOHS organisation, in accrediting Occupational Health services, seeks to formally recognise that an OH service has demonstrated it has a competence to deliver against the measures in the SEQOHS standards. It is a workforce-focused scheme based on the principal of independent assessment against recognised standards. The scheme was developed for all OH services and providers across the UK in both the NHS and independent sector. It aims to;

- 1) Enable services to identify the standards of practice to which they should aspire
- 2) Credit good work being done by high quality Occupational Health services, providing independent validation that they satisfy standards of quality
- 3) Raise standards where they need to be raised
- 4) Help purchasers differentiate Occupational Health services which attain the desired standards from those who do not

The staff of the University of Glasgow's Occupational Health Unit have devised and updated OH policies and protocols as well as streamlining data systems for internal and external customers in addition to critically examining and modifying the way they undertake tasks to ensure compliance with current best practice.

SEQOHS accreditation is a nationally recognised standard for OH units across the country in much the same way that the ISO9000 standards are accepted across businesses.

In achieving this accreditation, the University of Glasgow is the first in Scotland and the second in the UK to do so.

