

NMC Circular 34/2007  
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Dear Colleague

**Criteria for migration via Portfolio to the Specialist Community Public Health Nursing part of the NMC Register for Sexual Health Advisers**

The NMC have agreed the criterion for migration via portfolio to the specialist community public health nursing part of the register for sexual health advisers.

Registrants on the nursing or midwifery parts of the NMC Register who are employed as a sexual health adviser and working at population level will be able to apply for migration via portfolio until December 2009. The application pack and proforma will be available on the NMC website from October 2007 until December 2009.

Registrants should download the application pack (Application Pack 4) and proforma from the NMC website [www.nmc-uk.org](http://www.nmc-uk.org). A number of Higher Education Institutions (HEI'S) have agreed to verify the portfolios a list of those HEI's can be found on the NMC website.

The HEI will be responsible for verifying the applicant has met the requirements for registration as a specialist community public health nurse and will upload the registrant as eligible for registration. Registration by portfolio entitles the applicant to call themselves a specialist community public health nurse, but they will not receive an academic award.

Registered Nurses wishing to receive an academic award should apply to undertake the specialist community public health nursing programme (sexual health adviser pathway), which may be available from some HEI's in 2008.

Enquiries should be referred to Julie Matthews, Professional Officer, Specialist Community Public Health Nursing, by e-mail at [Julie.matthews@nmc-uk.org](mailto:Julie.matthews@nmc-uk.org).

Yours sincerely

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