

SCoPEd update

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BACP's SCoPEd implementation timeline



*Estimated timescales and may vary as implementation period progresses

Preparation phase - 2023

Transition period schemes for Individual accreditation (B) and Senior accreditation (C):

- Expert peer review panel - May 2023
- Board approval in June 2023
- Accreditation closure October 2023 - significant number of applications received
- Accreditation officer and assessor training - Autumn 2023
- CRM changes

Transition: February 2024 - early 2026

- New, temporary accreditation schemes now launched enabling members to move from:
 - ❖ Registered membership (A) - Accredited membership (B)
 - ❖ Accredited membership (B) - New Senior accredited membership (C)
 - ❖ Current Senior accredited membership (B) - Revised Senior accredited membership (C)
- Members can now move membership categories via the new temporary mechanisms where they can evidence the skills, training, knowledge and experience to do so
- Developing new permanent accreditation schemes and routes for 2026
- Aligning membership entry requirements for 2026
- Certificate of proficiency alignment

Integration: early 2026

- BACP membership category entry requirements will be fully aligned with SCoPEd columns A, B and C
- New membership eligibility requirements:
 - Minimum of Level 4 qualification (or equivalent)
 - Minimum of 2 years core training
- New, permanent accreditation schemes and routes, mapped to the SCoPEd standards and competences of columns B and C, will open, enabling more members to move membership categories should they wish to

Integration: early 2026

- Graduates from Accredited courses will benefit from a more streamlined accreditation application once they've acquired their 450 practice hours
- New accreditation routes will reflect knowledge and experience gained through practice and CPD overtime - to increase accessibility/promote progression
- New BACP endorsed top-up training schemes will provide an additional route to accreditation
- Dual membership
- New specialist accreditation schemes aligned to BACP competence frameworks

Thank you

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