

- 1 *a total review and re-write of the programme.*
- 2 *Wellpark to develop a comprehensive plan for the staffing of the degree.*
- 3 *Wellpark to enhance and sustain the library and to provide access to library resources so that the degree programme is adequately supported.*
- 4 *a comprehensive long-term business plan, including capital and operational requirements, for the further development and delivery of the degree.*
- 5 *Wellpark to develop a comprehensive long-term plan for the development of a research culture to support the degree programme.*

Aspects of the requirements above were still not met in the 2008 application. These have been incorporated into the new requirements below which are based on the previous requirements and set at the meeting in June 2008.

Wellpark is required to

1. *submit evidence as to how laboratory facilities will be provided.*
2. *provide a staffing plan, which should cover the positions required and indicate the qualifications needed, whether part-time or fulltime and with position descriptors for each of key roles.*
3. *provide a budget covering appropriate and well qualified staffing, library development, research development and support, professional development and the costs of database purchase.*
4. *provide evidence from the Trust that they are prepared to underwrite any shortfall resulting from the operational and capital requirements of the degree programme.*
5. *make a commitment to appoint an appropriately qualified research leader with a track record in research and provide a position description for the research leader.*
6. *develop a flexible workload model that fosters the development of a research culture.*

RECOMMENDATIONS

The 2006 panel recommended that

Wellpark review the arrangements by which the AUT papers are incorporated into the programme and consider some formal agreement with AUT.
new students are given a "buddy" to work alongside in the clinic and then the number of cases required be reviewed.
the clinical files are kept securely at the clinic.
in redeveloping the assessments, that the 70% pass mark is reviewed.
an external academic is included on the Advisory Committee.
the entry requirements are reviewed to include a science background and to set the IELTS requirement at 6.5 with a minimum band of 6.
Wellpark review the bridging, transition and cross-crediting arrangements for the degree.

While recommendations do not have to be met before final approval, the 2008 panel noted that almost all of the above recommendations had been dealt with. The fifth has been included again in the 2008 recommendations.

The 2008 panel recommended that

the supervisor to student ratio in the clinic be 1:10.
the Advisory Committee should include a working academic from another tertiary institution.

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENTS

Five significant requirements were set at the original panel meeting held on 23 – 25 August 2006. After Wellpark’s resubmission over eighteen months later, the panel met for a second time on 25 and 26 June 2008 to consider Wellpark’s response to those requirements. The panel agreed that some of the requirements had been met, but not all aspects of all requirements had been satisfactorily met. The panel required the outstanding matters to be resolved.

Wellpark responded again at the end of 2008. Its resubmission and some subsequent supplementary material, were sent out to the panel members. While there were some recommendations for ongoing improvements, that can be checked by the monitor, the panel agreed in March 2009 that all requirements had finally been met.

FINAL ANALYSIS

As a result of the responses provided, the panel resolved that the gazetted criteria have now been met, so the application can be submitted to the Chief Executive and the Deputy chief Executive (Quality Assurance) for approval and accreditation.

MONITOR

As in 2006, the panel recommends that Hans Wohlmuth should monitor the Bachelor of Naturopathy.

OVERALL RECOMMENDATION

The panel recommends that Wellpark College of Natural Therapies’ Bachelor of Naturopathy be approved and that Wellpark College of Natural Therapies be accredited and authorized by the New Zealand Qualification Authority to offer the Bachelor of Naturopathy degree.

Lesley Edgeley-Page
Advisor, Course Approvals and Accreditation
Quality Assurance Division

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 15 April 2009

TO: Karen Poutasi, Chief Executive
Tim Fowler, Deputy Chief Executive, Quality Assurance Division

FROM: Kathy Maclaren, Manager – Course Approvals and Accreditation
(Lesley Edgeley-Page, Advisor – Course Approvals and Accreditation)

SUBJECT: **Degree Approval and Accreditation**
Wellpark College of Natural Therapies: Bachelor of Naturopathy

Intent

1. This memorandum proposes that the Chief Executive of the New Zealand Qualifications Authority and the Deputy Chief Executive, Quality Assurance Division approve Wellpark College of Natural Therapies' proposed Bachelor of Naturopathy and accredit Wellpark College of Natural Therapies to deliver the Bachelor of Naturopathy and authorise Wellpark College of Natural Therapies to award this qualification.

Recommendation(s)

2. It is recommended that the Chief Executive of the New Zealand Qualifications Authority and the Deputy Chief Executive, Quality Assurance Division:
 - a. **approve** Wellpark College of Natural Therapies' Bachelor of Naturopathy
 - b. **accredit** Wellpark College of Natural Therapies to deliver it at its Auckland campus
 - c. **authorise** Wellpark College of Natural Therapies to award the qualification.

Situation

3. Wellpark College of Natural Therapies (Wellpark) is a private training establishment (PTE), which was registered by NZQA in 1997.

Wellpark offers a number of diploma and certificate courses in natural therapies. It first sought approval for its proposed Bachelor of Naturopathy and Herbal Medicine in August 2006. Five major requirements were set. The panel met for a second but shorter time in June 2008 to consider Wellpark's response to the requirements. The panel agreed that while there were improvements, not all requirements had been satisfactorily met. Wellpark responded again at the end of 2008 and agreement from the panel that all requirements had been met, was gained by March 2009.

The degree will be delivered face to face from Wellpark's Auckland campus.



21 April 2009

Phillip Cottingham
Principal
Wellpark College of Natural Therapies
PO Box 78 229
Grey Lynn
AUCKLAND 1245

Dear Phillip

Degree Approval and Accreditation
Reference: 840501

We are pleased to inform you that the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) has resolved to approve Wellpark College of Natural Therapies proposed Bachelor of Naturopathy, accredit Wellpark College of Natural Therapies to deliver it at its Auckland site using face-to-face delivery and authorise Wellpark College of Natural Therapies to award the qualification.

Degree and postgraduate qualification approval and accreditation allows you to publicise the status of the programme by the following words on certificates and in publications:

"This degree is approved by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority under the provisions of the Education Act 1989, and Wellpark College of Natural Therapies is accredited to offer it."

and/or

"I raro i ngā tikanga o te Ture Mātauranga 1989, kua whakaaea te kaupapa whakaakoranga e te Mana Tohu Mātauranga o Aotearoa, a kua whakamanatia a Wellpark College of Natural Therapies ki te whakaako i taua kaupapa whakaakoranga."

The approved title will be listed on the NZQA website after the next update. The qualification will be listed on the New Zealand Register of Quality Assured Qualifications (www.kiwiquals.govt.nz).

Continued approval and accreditation is dependent upon your organisation maintaining the same standards as were documented and demonstrated in your application, and during the approval and accreditation process. If there are any significant changes you must advise NZQA immediately.

NZQA will appoint Hans Wohlmuth as the external monitor. Subsequent to programme commencement, NZQA's monitoring procedures will be instigated. Wellpark College of Natural Therapies will be responsible for all costs relating to the monitoring process.

Please convey my congratulations to members of Wellpark College of Natural Therapies who contributed to the success of this degree approval application.

Yours sincerely

Tim Fowler
Deputy Chief Executive
Quality Assurance Division

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Qualifications Details

Name of the Provider	Wellpark College of Natural Therapies
Title of qualification	Bachelor of Naturopathy
Level of qualification	7
Total credits	360
NZSCED subject code	061901
Content statement	The Bachelor of Naturopathy consists of three years of education in: the philosophy and principles of current naturopathic practice; medical sciences to support the practice of naturopathy; knowledge related to the safe, effective and ethical clinical practice of naturopathy and practical education in clinical naturopathy.
Outcome statement	Graduates of the programme will be able to: provide a high standard of safe, competent and professional naturopathic healthcare, integrating knowledge from the paradigms of the western sciences and naturopathy; manage a professional naturopathic clinic and contribute to the field of naturopathy through engaging in evidence based practice, research, scholarship and mentoring.
Entry requirements	<p>Applicants under 20 years of age (minimum entry age 18 years) must have a minimum of 40 credits at Level 3 or higher on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF), including a minimum of 14 credits at Level 3 or higher in each of two subjects from the approved NZQA subject list, a further 14 credits at Level 3 or higher taken from no more than two additional domains on the NQF or approved subjects, AND A minimum of 14 credits at Level 1 or higher in Mathematics on the NQF, AND a minimum of 8 credits at Level 2 or higher on the NQF in English or Maori, 4 credits must be in reading and 4 credits must be in writing. These literacy credits must be selected from a schedule of approved achievement standards and unit standards, AND a minimum of 12 credits at NQF Level 2 or higher in one of the following subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Science OR equivalent secondary school qualifications.</p> <p>Following a successful interview process, mature entry applicants, 20 years of age and over, will be admitted to the programme but will be required to undertake extra study during the first year (or study prior to enrolment) if inadequately prepared for science subjects.</p>

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