

What is SCOPE Certification?

SCOPE Certification is an internationally recognised standard of obesity management expertise, which promotes and acknowledges excellence in obesity prevention and treatment. SCOPE awards this obesity qualification to healthcare practitioners who have completed the SCOPE training programme.

With SCOPE Certification, your obesity expertise will be recognised worldwide. This qualification will open doors in your professional pursuits, and equip you to better manage and treat your patients with obesity.

Do I qualify?

SCOPE Certification is open to all healthcare professionals working within a medical or allied healthcare professional setting. This includes doctors, nurses, dietitians, nutritionists and many others. To qualify, it is essential that you have at least six months' practical experience related to obesity management within a medical or allied healthcare professional setting at the time of applying. It is assumed that six months' clinical experience involves the treatment of patients with obesity.

If you are unsure if you qualify, please contact scope@worldobesity.org



Step 1: Complete the Core Learning Path

You must earn a total of 12 SCOPE points to be eligible for SCOPE Certification. 4 of these points must be earned by completing Core Learning Path, available to purchase on the SCOPE E-Learning platform for £80 (with discounts available).

The Core Learning Path includes 8 core modules (0.5 points each) covering the 'essentials' of obesity management.

Step 2: Earn 8 additional SCOPE points

To earn a total of 12 SCOPE points, you will need to earn a further 8 points in addition to the Core Learning Path.

Points can be earned by completing additional modules (0.5 points each), attending SCOPE Schools (4 points each) or by attending SCOPE Accredited events (points vary). 8 points are equivalent to 16 modules.

If you are unsure how many SCOPE points you have earned, please email us at scope@worldobesity.org and we will be happy to check for you.

Step 3: Apply

Once you have earned 12 points in total, you are ready to apply for SCOPE Certification via the form on our website.

You must provide evidence that you have at least six months' practical experience related to obesity management. Appropriate documentation may include (but is not limited to):

- A letter from your employer on official letterhead describing, in detail, the nature of your work managing patients with obesity and the length of your service.
- A registration certification from the professional body with whom you are registered or your medical diploma if dated more than six months previously.

Step 4: Receive your SCOPE Certification

After applying for SCOPE Certification, we will review your documents and check you have the required number of SCOPE points.

In some cases, we may request additional documentation to confirm your eligibility. We will contact you via email once your SCOPE Certification has been approved.

As we receive a large volume of applications, please allow up to **one month** to receive your certificate.

Renewing your SCOPE Certification

We believe up-to-date knowledge is essential for optimal obesity management. For this reason, we ask that you maintain your SCOPE Certification by earning at least 1 SCOPE point (equivalent to 2 e-learning modules) each year after certifying.

You will also need to pay an annual renewal fee £10 to maintain your certification. This payment can be made by purchasing the 'Recertification' item on the SCOPE platform (after logging in, search for 'Recertification' using the search bar at the top of the page).

When you have completed the above steps, please email scope@worldobesity.org and we will renew your SCOPE Certification. We will also issue you with an updated certificate.

Please note that if your SCOPE Certification is not renewed annually, it will automatically expire and your entry will be removed from our list of SCOPE Certified Professionals.