

ILM Malpractice and Maladministration Policy

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Scope

ILM is the UK's leading provider of leadership, management and coaching qualifications, and a City & Guilds Group Business. ILM offers a specialist suite of qualifications ranging from Level 2 to Level 7, which are awarded by The City and Guilds of London Institute. ILM also specialise in assessment, learning content, and the accreditation of high quality training in the fields of leadership, management and coaching.

This policy applies to all Centres and Providers offering ILM qualifications, and other non-regulated products. For the purpose of this policy, the term centre is used to describe any ILM customer that offers the aforementioned products.

The policy provides definition and examples of Malpractice and Maladministration which may occur in connection with centres, providers, learners and our Centres/Providers in general.

ILM qualifications awarded by The City and Guilds London Institute are required to meet set standards, which are referred to as the General Conditions of Recognition. These standards are set by various regulators, such as Ofqual, CCEA, Qualifications Wales and it is extremely important all regulated qualifications meet these standards. You can see the General Conditions of Recognition applied on the regulators web pages, and within this document we may refer to them and our and your requirement to meet them during delivery of regulated qualifications.

For the purpose of this policy, the term Head of Centre refers to the person that is responsible to ILM for ensuring that qualifications or programmes are delivered and assessed according to ILM requirements.

ILM is required to take reasonable steps to prevent the occurrence of malpractice and maladministration. This policy outlines the actions that could bring the integrity of ILM qualifications and programmes into question, the practices that constitute malpractice and maladministration and the procedures that should be undertaken to manage and mitigate suspected occurrences.

This ILM policy should be read in conjunction with the published ILM Investigation Policy and ILM Instructions for Conducting Examinations Policy.

This document replaces the ILM Malpractice and Maladministration Policy V2 October 2015.

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Definitions

Malpractice is defined by ILM as an act or an instance of improper practice and includes maladministration. Malpractice is any activity, practice or omission which is either wilfully negligent or deliberately contravenes regulations and compromises the:

- Internal or external assessment process
- Integrity of a regulated qualification
- Validity of a result or certificate
- Reputation and credibility of ILM.

Maladministration is defined by ILM as any activity, practice or omission which results in centre or learner non- compliance with administrative regulations and requirements.

Centre/Provider malpractice

Although this is not an exhaustive list, include:

- Inadequate centre/provider procedures for the induction of members of staff
- Failure to provide learners and members of staff with the knowledge of their responsibilities through relevant policies and procedures that include the possible consequences of non-compliance
- Failure to review systems, policies and procedures to ensure they remain fit for purpose
- Inadequate support for learners and members of staff that includes ways of helping learners understand how malpractice can occur and be prevented
- Failure to follow centre's own procedures relating to malpractice, maladministration and/or plagiarism
- Failure to report malpractice to ILM including cases of plagiarism that have been dealt with through a customer's own Malpractice and Maladministration/Plagiarism policy
- Failure to have robust procedures in place for the review and monitoring of any administrative, assessment or quality process/activity that could result in the deliberate falsification of records
- Failure to maintain accurate records relating to learners, assessment or internal quality assurance, or to retain such records for the required period of time
- Failure to provide ILM with access to premises, people or records.

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Centre influencing the assessment or certification process

Although this is not an exhaustive list, include:

- Failure of a member of centre staff to report any instances of malpractice or suspected malpractice to the appropriate person/team.
- The unauthorised obtaining, disseminating, or the facilitating of access to secure examination/assessment materials
- Permitting, facilitating, obtaining or disseminating unauthorised access to secure examination/ assessment material
- Assisting or prompting learners in the production of answers to examination/assessment
- Any action or inaction that allows learners to have an unfair advantage
- Falsification or fabrication of learners' marks, assessment evidence, observation records, certification claims or results documentation and any other records or documentation pertaining to ILM qualifications
- Deliberately claiming for certificates where there is no evidence to support certification
- Manipulating learner samples for the purpose of external quality assurance/moderation. The sample should be representative of the standard of work across the rest of the cohort/qualification.

Centre malpractice in regards to the conduct of examinations

Although this is not an exhaustive list, include:

- Members of centre staff undertaking any examination on behalf of learner(s)
- Breaches of any secure material, including examination papers or materials and their electronic equivalents
- Centre staff undertaking examinations for qualifications that they are teaching or assessing on
- Unauthorised changes to examination timetables
- Failure to issues learners with appropriate notices and warnings
- Non-adherence to the invigilation requirements
- Failure to despatch scripts to examiners no later than the next working day
- Amendment of examination materials without permission
- Failure to provide access arrangements in accordance with ILM requirements.

Learner malpractice

Although this is not an exhaustive list, include:

- Falsification or fabrication of examination/assessment evidence
- Any form of impersonation
- Obtaining or attempting to obtain secure examination/assessment material
- Offering a bribe of any kind to an invigilator, a member of centre staff or ILM staff
- Any form of plagiarism

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- False declaration of authenticity in relation to the contents of any assessment produced by the learner
- Any form of cheating to gain an improper advantage
- Collusion i.e. allowing another learner to copy work or the unsanctioned collaboration between a learner and another individual in the production of work that would be submitted by a learner as the outcome of his/her individual efforts
- Introduction of unauthorised material or instruments into the examination room/assessment session
- Misuse or attempted misuse of examination/assessment material
- Exchanging, obtaining, receiving or passing on unauthorised or confidential examination or assessment material
- Disruptive, violent or offensive behaviour
- Any form of communication with other learners (written, verbal, gestures, expressions, pointing etc) during examination conditions
- Failure to abide by the instructions of an invigilator or supervisor
- Offering a bribe of any kind to an invigilator, a member of centre staff or ILM staff.

For specific guidance on plagiarism, collusion and cheating please see the published ILM Plagiarism, Cheating and Collusion Policy.

Centre Maladministration

Examples of Centre maladministration, although not an exhaustive list, include:

- Persistent mistakes or poor administration within a centre resulting in the failure to keep appropriate learner assessment records
- Inaccurate recording of learner assessment decisions leading to invalid claims for certification
- Non-compliance with ILM requirements as described in the Customer Handbook (for Centres and Providers) and associated policies
- Failure to retain accurate records of learner assessment decisions for the specified timescale
- Failure to keep question papers secure prior to and after examinations.

All ILM Centres/Providers should take reasonable steps to prevent malpractice and/or maladministration from occurring throughout the development, delivery and assessment of ILM qualifications and programmes. Therefore it is a requirement of the ILM approval process that you have your own policy in relation to malpractice and maladministration and must ensure that you and your learners understand malpractice and maladministration and the associated consequences.

For the purposes of this document, the term 'malpractice' also covers both maladministration, misconduct and plagiarism whether deliberate or unintentional.

The misuse of the ILM name, logo or brand may also constitute malpractice and you should be familiar with the ILM Brand policy to ensure your compliance with our requirements.

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General process and procedures to be implemented in the investigation of cases of suspected malpractice

Malpractice may be detected in a number of ways including:

- Identification by a centre tutor, assessor or Internal Verifier or other member of centre staff
- Identification by an ILM External Verifier, Quality and Compliance Manager (QCM), ILM Exam auditor or another member of ILM staff through ILM's quality assurance processes or monitoring visits to a centre/provider
- Identification by the ILM Assessment Service or an ILM assessor
- Verbal or written allegations that are reported openly or anonymously by a learner, third party or other interested party to a centre/provider or ILM. This could be by an individual who has been made aware by word of mouth through a third party that something has happened or is happening that has not been authorised and is inappropriate, or something they have identified or witnessed personally.

All suspected or alleged cases of malpractice or maladministration must be reported to ILM within 10 working days of it being identified and prior to the commencement of any internal investigation activity, using Appendix 1 plus the relevant form located within Appendix 2 or Appendix 3, referring to the guidance provided. The completed forms should be sent to ILM's Regulation team by emailing ILMRegulation@i-l-m.com. You should include details of the alleged activity and the source/evidence for the allegation.

ILM regulation team may delegate the responsibility to investigate the allegation to a lead independent investigator or request a Head of Centre to undertake an investigation.

When asked to conduct an investigation into allegations, a Head of Centre must ensure that it is conducted in line with the guidance that can be found on page 12 of this policy and completion of Appendix 4 should be submitted to ILM Regulation. Any Centre staff and learners must be informed of their rights unless, due to specific circumstances, the RQIM notifies the Head of Centre that this is not appropriate.

All findings must be reported to ILM Regulation using the report within Appendix 4 by the date requested by ILM or within 10 days of the allegation being received by ILM.

In cases where breaches have occurred due to maladministration rather than malpractice, the matter may be referred to the QCM and External Verifier to agree action to prevent any future occurrences.

Where an investigation is undertaken by ILM the outcome will be communicated to the centre and other relevant parties no more than 15 working days after the conclusion of the investigation. The report and any actions arising will be communicated to the QCM and the External Verifier.

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Where a malpractice incident is likely to cause an Adverse Effect (see definition below), for example invalidate the award of a qualification or have implications for another awarding organisation, the RQIM will inform CGLI and they will inform the relevant regulators.

The rights of individuals with regard to anonymity and the avoidance of discrimination will be upheld. For example, Whistle-blowers are protected by legislation which confirms that they are protected from harassment and unfair or damaging treatment regardless of whether the allegations are unfounded.

For the avoidance of doubt the wrongdoing a whistle-blower discloses must be in the public interest i.e. it must affect others.

A whistle-blower is protected by law if they report any of the following:

- A criminal offence for example fraud
- Someone's health and safety is in danger
- Risk or actual damage to the environment
- A miscarriage of justice
- The company is breaking the law
- Someone is covering up wrongdoing.

Any individual alleged to be involved in malpractice must be informed of the allegation that has been made and the evidence that supports that allegation. The individual should be given the opportunity to submit a written statement to the investigating team whether the investigation is undertaken by a Centre or by ILM, and informed of the consequences should the allegation be proven.

Definition of an Adverse Effect

As defined by Ofqual, the Office of Qualifications and Examinations Regulation, an adverse effect is an act, omission, event, incident, or circumstance has an Adverse Effect if it:

- gives rise to prejudice to Learners or potential Learners, or
- adversely affects
 - the ability of the awarding organisation to undertake the development, delivery or award of qualifications in accordance with its Conditions of Recognition,
 - o the standards of qualifications which the awarding organisation makes available or proposes to make available, or public confidence in qualifications

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Action following an investigation

In most investigations into suspected malpractice, decisions will be made by trained ILM members of staff but in cases of serious malpractice, the decision may be made by ILM's Quality and Regulatory Group. The ILM Quality and Regulatory Group will oversee the investigation process and will ratify the outcome of each investigation regardless of the decision maker.

ILM will consider all of the available evidence in determining the appropriate actions. If malpractice is established, ILM will determine the sanction or penalty to be applied, considering the least severe sanction/penalty first. Examples of the sanctions/penalties that may be imposed are detailed below. These penalties/sanctions may be applied individually or in combination.

If a member of staff has the left employment of the centre/provider, ILM may still consider the application of a penalty and the centre/provider will be requested to contact the individual in order to obtain a statement. If the individual cannot be contacted, a decision will be made on the available evidence.

It is the centre's responsibility to communicate any penalties to the individual in question. Additionally, the centre may be asked to inform ILM if the receive information that this individual is employed in another centre or with another provider.

ILM may notify the relevant regulators and any other appropriate authorities, if it is found through investigation that certificates issued from the centre/provider are invalid.

The General Conditions of Recognition applied to qualifications require ILM to notify the relevant regulators of events which could have an 'adverse effect' on its qualifications. Such events include those where ILM has received a substantive allegation of malpractice and information suggest that there is a significant risk to the qualification(s) and/or certificates issued. A notification can be sent to the regulator at any point during or after an investigation.

If the investigation confirms that malpractice has taken place, dependent on the gravity and scope, one or more of the following actions will be taken:

Learner malpractice/maladministration:

- A written warning issued that if the offence is repeated, further specified sanctions may be applied
- Disallowing all or part of a learner/s assessment evidence or marks
- The learner/s certificates will not be issued, or previously issued invalid certificates for the learner/s will be withdrawn
- No further registrations will be accepted for the learner/s
- Barring the learner/s from entering ILM examinations for a set period of time.

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Centre malpractice/maladministration:

- Implementation of an agreed improvement action plan
- A written warning may be issued that if the offence is repeated or a similar offence occurs in the future, further specified sanctions may be applied
- The Centre risk rating reviewed, which could result with increased centre visits and/or the imposition of sanctions. These sanctions could include the removal of direct claim status, suspension of registrations, suspension of certification or suspension of centre approval and/or qualification approval or withdrawal of centre approval for set periods of time or indefinitely
- Staff training on specific items or mentoring, within a particular period of time, with a review at the end of the process
- Appointment of independent invigilators to observe an examination, at a cost to the centre
- A report shared with relevant regulatory bodies and other awarding organisations and/or other agencies such as funding bodies or the police.

In addition to the above ILM may decide to take specific action against a learner or a specific member of centre staff dependent on the gravity and scope of the investigation outcome. This could include:

- Barring a learner from registering on an ILM qualification or programme at any centre for a set period of time
- Suspension of a centres member of staff from any involvement in the delivery of ILM qualifications or programmes for a set period of time
- Imposition of special conditions for a centre member of staff involvement in the delivery of ILM qualifications or programmes.

If a Centre wishes to appeal against ILM's decision to take action as recommended in the investigation report, please refer to the ILM Enquiries and Appeals Policy.

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Guidance notes

What information should be included on the form?

Appendix 1 - Notification form checklist should be used by the Head of the Centre and submitted along with either Appendix 2 or 3 as relevant.

Appendix 2 - Suspected learner malpractice form should be used by the Head of the Centre to notify ILM of an instance of suspected malpractice by a learner in the conduct of examinations or assessments. In order to prevent the issue of erroneous results and/or certificates, it is essential that instances of suspected malpractice are reported as soon as possible. The checklist in Appendix 4 should also be completed and submitted.

Appendix 3 - Suspected centre staff malpractice/maladministration form should be used by the Head of the Centre to notify ILM of an instance of suspected malpractice and/or maladministration by centre staff. The checklist in Appendix 4 should also be completed and submitted.

Information must include:

- A detailed account of the circumstances surrounding the malpractice including, the case of disruptive behaviour, an indication as to whether or not the behaviour continued after warnings were given, or the learner was removed from the examination room.
- The procedures for advising learners and/or centre staff of the regulations concerning the conduct of examinations and/or assessments
- The procedures for advising learners of the plagiarism policy and guidance on submitting evidence
- Signed and dated statements from the staff concerned on the centre's official letterhead paper
- If relevant signed and dated statements from the learner(s) concerned
 or a clear indication that they have been given the opportunity to make
 a statement; in circumstances which make it inappropriate to obtain
 statements, the centre should discuss the case in confidence with ILM
- Signed and dated statements from the learner(s) employer (if applicable)
- Seating plan of the examination room showing the exact position of the learners in the room if applicable
- Question paper and scripts or other learner evidence
- Copies of plagiarised materials (as applicable)
- Unauthorised material removed from the learners/found in the examination room or during assessment
- Assessment and internal quality assurance/moderation records
- Name and contact details of the Head of the centre.

The more information you can supply attached to the form, the easier it will be for ILM to identify if there is a case to answer and will reduce the time to resolve the situation.

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Malpractice/Maladministration suspected

Appendix 1 - Notification form checklist completed

Learner suspected

Appendix 2 – Suspected learner malpractice Form completed

Centre staff suspected

Appendix 3 – Suspected centre staff malpractice/maladministration completed





Forms & evidence emailed to ILMRegulation@i-l-m.com

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Appendix 1 – Notification form checklist

What is this checklist for?

This checklist is intended to assist centres when completing a notification of suspected malpractice by learners or staff (Appendix 2 or Appendix 3).

Reference is made to the requirements contained in the JCQ document Suspected Malpractice in Examinations and Assessments – policies and procedures.

Please indicate by ticking the appropriate box for the following points

	Yes	No
Staff members and learners have been informed of their rights		
The individual, whether a learner or member of staff accused of		
malpractice:		
 Has been informed (preferably in writing) of the allegation 		
made against him or her		
Knows what evidence there is to support the allegation		
 Knows the possible consequences or penalties ILM may 		
apply should malpractice be proven		
Has had the opportunity to consider their responses to the		
allegation (if required)		
 Has had the opportunity to submit a written statement 		
Has had the opportunity to seek advice (as necessary) and		
provide a supplementary statement if required		
 Has been informed of the applicable appeals procedures 		
should a decision be made against him or her		
 Has been informed of the possibility that information 		
relating to the malpractice may be shared with other		
Awarding Organisations, the regulators and/or other		
agencies	<u> </u>	
Please include this completed checklist with the notification form (A	Appendix 2	or or
Appendix 3)		

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Appendix 2 – Suspected learner malpractice

Notification form - Confidential

Centres must use the form below to notify ILM of suspected malpractice and/or maladministration involving centre staff. The checklist in Appendix 1 should also be completed and submitted.

Date of incident Centre Number Title Unit Number Title Date incident was reported to centre manager Learner(s) Details Enrolment Number Learner Name Details of invigilator(s)/assessment personnel or other witness Role Name Describe the nature of the suspected malpractice, including details as to how it was discovered, by whom and when. Describe how the learner(s) was made aware of the examination or assessment regulations. If the Incident involved disruptive behaviour, did the learner's behaviour cause disturbance to other learners? Yes No					
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Qualification Number	Centre name	Country			
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f the answer to the above question is 'yes' and you wish to request special considerations for other learners, please submit an application for special considerations in the normal way.		
If the incident involved the introduction of unauthorised material, is unauthorised material enclosed?		Yes No
If the answer to the above question is 'no', please give details below the unauthorised material.	w of the	nature of
If the case involves plagiarism, please provide full details (ie title, au website etc) of the material plagiarised and include copies if possib	ıthor, ed le.	ition,
Had the learner(s) been issued with a declaration of authentication (where applicable)?		Yes No
Had the learner(s) signed the declaration of authentication stating t work completed was the learner's own (where applicable)?		Yes No
To be completed in the case of written examinations and online tes	ts only	
Was the 'Warning to Candidates' displayed outside the examination room?	n	Yes No
Had the learner(s) been issued with a copy of the 'Information for candidates' (either electronically or in hard copy format) prior to sig the declaration of authentication?		Yes No
Was the 'Mobile Phones' poster displayed outside the examination	room?	Yes No
Were learners reminded of examination regulations at the beginnin this particular examination?	g of	Yes No
Other Information		
If there is any other details you feel are relevant to this allegation, ir mitigating circumstances, please give further information below	ncluding	
Supporting information and materials		
Please check the appropriate boxes to indicate the supporting informaterials	mation	
Procedures for advising learner(s) of the examination/assessment regulations	Yes	No
Statement(s) from invigilator(s)	Yes	No

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Statement(s) from tutor/head of subject/asses quality assurer	ssment/internal	Yes	No	
Statement from examinatins officer		Yes	No	
Statement(s) from learner(s)		Yes	No	
Statement(s) from employer		Yes	No	
Seating plan of the examination room		Yes	No	
Question paper and script(s) or other learner	evidence	Yes	No	
Copies of plagiarised material		Yes	No	
Unauthorised materials		Yes	No	
Assessment and internal quality assurance/mo	oderation records	Yes	No	
Other (please give details)				
If no statement from learner(s) is enclosed, please tick the box to indicate that the learner(s) has been given the opportunity to make a statement but has chosen not to do so. To be completed by the Head of the Centre				
Name (please print)	Job title			
Telephone number	Email			
Signature	Date			

Submission by email from the centre's registered email address will be accepted in place of a signature. When submitting the form by email, all supporting documentation should be scanned and attached (preferably as PDF) to the same email, and the originals retained in the centre.

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Appendix 3 – Suspected centre staff malpractice/maladministration

Notification form – Confidential

Centres must use the form below to notify ILM of suspected malpractice and/or maladministration involving centre staff. The checklist in Appendix 1 should also be completed and submitted.

Date of incident	Time	Centre Numbe	er	
Centre name	Country			
Examination/Assessment of	details			
Qualification Number	Title			
Unit Number	Title			
Date incident was reported	_			
Details of centre staff invol				
Position	Staff Name			
Describe the nature of the suspected malpractice/maladministration, including details as to how it was discovered, by whom and when.			uding	
Could the learner(s) have been unfairly advantaged or disadvantaged by the suspected malpractice? If Yes please give details No				

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Other Information			
If there is any other details you feel are relevant to this allegation, including			
mitigating circumstances, please give further	information below		
Supporting information and materials			
Please check the appropriate boxes to indicate	te the supporting info	rmation a	and
materials			
Procedures for advising learner(s) of the exam	nination/assessment	Yes	No
regulations			
Statement(s) from invigilator(s)		Yes	No
	·		
Statement(s) from tutor/head of subject/assessment/internal		Yes	No
quality assurer		Yes	
Statement from examinatins officer			No
			N.I.
Statement(s) from learner(s)			No
			N.L.
Statement(s) from employer			No
If a catatam and formal announce (a) is a called a displaced tiple than hear to it. It is to			
If no statement from learner(s) is enclosed, please tick the box to indicate that the learner(s) has been given the opportunity to make a statement but			
	has chosen not to do so.		
To be completed by the Head of the Centre			
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Name (please print)	Job title		
Telephone number	Email		
•			
Signature	Date		

Submission by email from the centre's registered email address will be accepted in place of a signature. When submitting the form by email, all supporting documentation should be scanned and attached (preferably as PDF) to the same email, and the originals retained in the centre.

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Appendix 4 – Centre Investigation Report

Please refer to the guidance contained within the policy document.

Date of report			_
Centre Name		Centre Number	
Full Qualification or Programme Title and		Code	
code		Jnit Code if applicable	
Learner/s involved (if appropriate)			
Staff involved (if appropriate)			
Examination/ assessment details (if appropriate)			
Area of concern		Have you supplied notification	Yes
		form previously i regards to t case	n No
Investigation Team (Name, position and signatures *)			
Report Written By			
	d Signed off By ne Head of Centre if the gated to another member of		

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^{*}Investigators that sign this report are confirming that any individuals involved have been notified of the issue and been given the opportunity to comment and where appropriate submit a written signed statement.

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	Purpose of the Investigation			
	Why did you investigate?			
	 How did you conduct the 			
	investigation, was			
	everyone informed, was all			
	evidence seen, any issues			
l	with the investigation?			
	Background and nature of			
	allegation			
	 What has happened? 			
ŀ	How did it happen? Key issues			
	Key issuesWhat are the main action			
	points identified from the			
	investigation?			
ŀ	List the evidence/information	1.		
	supplied with the report	2.		
		3.		
		4.		
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Ī	Your findings from the			
	investigation			
	 What, if any irregularities 			
	were found?			
	 How and why did this happen? 			
	How many learners/staff			
	involved			
	 What remedial action can 			
	you take			
	 What can you do to 			
	mitigate this happening			
	again			
ŀ	Answer the above as a minimum	Dogument	Drangand Action	Target Date
	Review of documentation during the investigation and actions	Document	Proposed Action	Target Date
	taken in regards to the			
	documentation			
1	(List items and what actions you			
	intend to take and deadline for			
	completion)			
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For ILM use			
Date report received	Date report reviewed	Date centre/provider informed of outcome	
Comments/notes			
(record if more evidence,			
discussion required)			
Action plan contents			
Sanctions applied if relevant			
ILM staff informed (name/date)	Date all actions completed and case closed	Name of ILM staff who closed case	

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The ILM Quality and Regulatory Group monitor this policy and any associated feedback and ensure that the ILM Standard is maintained to ensure our qualifications and programmes are accessible to all whilst maintaining quality in implementation. This policy shall be the subject of a three year review cycle or as necessary.

Further Information and/or Glossary

The following are available from the IL M website https://www.i-l-m.com/trainers-and-centres/customer-handbook/policies

- ILM Investigation Guidance
- ILM Instructions for Conducting Examinations Policy
- ILM Plagiarism, Collusion and Cheating Policy
- Notification forms and Centre Investigation Report in word

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