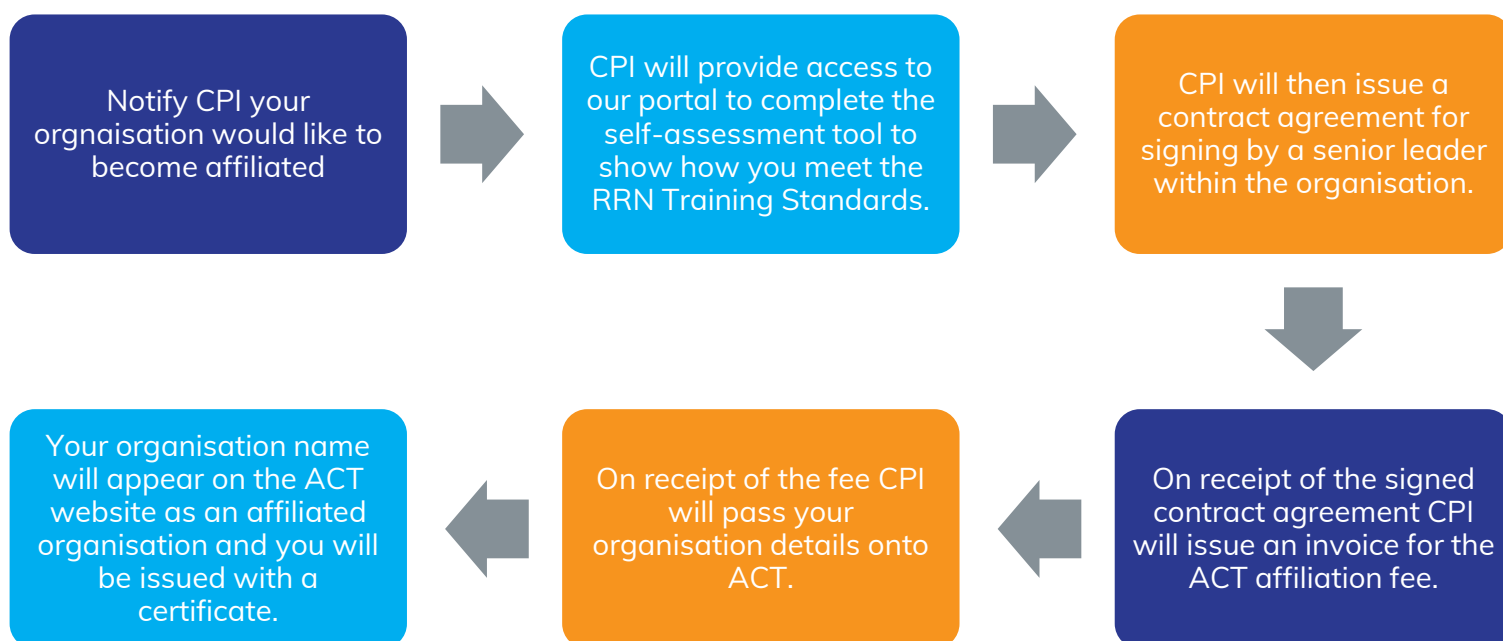


1	What is the Restraint Reduction Network (RRN)?	The RRN was first established by CPI to help bring together individuals and organisations with a common goal of reducing the use of restrictive practices across education, Health & Social Care services. The Network is now independent of CPI and is a registered charity whose patron is Sir Norman Lamb. The vision of the RRN is to reduce reliance on restrictive practices and make a real difference in the lives of people. To support this the RRN developed the Restraint Reduction Network Training Standards (2019).
2	What are the RRN Standards?	They are a set of standards (developed in conjunction with NHS England) which support the protection of human rights and the minimisation of restrictive practices. They are applicable to all training which has restrictive interventions content. They cover four main areas: • Standards supporting pre-delivery processes (how you identify the need for training) • Standards supporting curriculum content (ensure the content meets the identified need) • Standards supporting post-delivery processes (record keeping, quality assurance) • Trainer standards (training competence, professional competence, CPD) Please refer to the following link RRN Training Standards.
3	What is ACT?	Association of Certified Training (ACT) is the body responsible for the certification of training providers and services (either commercial or in house) whose training includes restrictive interventions. The Restraint Reduction Network (RRN) licensed ACT to certify training providers and services as complying with the RRN Training Standards.
4	What is certification?	CPI are a certified training provider. Being a certified provider means; • The organisation delivering the training meets the RRN Training Standards. • The curricula being delivered meets the RRN Training Standards. • The trainers delivering the training meet the RRN Standards. CPI achieved Certified Provider Status in February 2020.
5	Does the training that my organisation delivers need to be certified?	Yes. The Standards are considered good practice across all service sectors and geographies. From April 1st, 2021, the delivery of certified training became a legal requirement for all NHS commissioned Mental Health Services and a statutory responsibility for all social care providers. As a replacement for the Bild Physical Intervention Accreditation Scheme (PIAS), the RRN Standards will also apply to special education and alternative educational provision. In the future it is anticipated the RRN standards will be more widely adopted by the Department for Education. Where applicable, the provision of certified training within service providers will be actively monitored and reported on by the CQC and Ofsted.
6	What does my organisation need to do to deliver certified training?	You and the organisation need to demonstrate you meet all the RRN Standards. But the good news is you do not need to go to the time and expense of becoming certified directly with ACT. As a CPI customer, delivering the CPI certified training your organisation can be affiliated to ACT via CPI. Affiliation will enable your organisation to prove your training is certified.
7	What is affiliation?	Affiliation is a process by which you can demonstrate you and your organisation are meeting the RRN Training Standards. Affiliation is not just about the training you deliver, it is an ongoing commitment by you and your organisation to meet the RRN Training Standards, strengthening the

		governance around your provision of physical interventions training and providing assurances to commissioners and regulators about the commitment to restraint reduction.
8	What would be my ongoing commitments as an affiliate?	A requirement to continue to meet the RRN Training Standards. An understanding that ACT and or CPI may attend a training event provided by my organisation to monitor compliance that the RRN Training Standards are being met. A requirement to ensure my self-assessment is updated annually. An understanding that not being able to evidence the RRN Standards may result in affiliation being suspended.
9	What do we need to do to become affiliated?	Contact CPI for an 'expression of interest' form. Complete on online self-assessment document and provide evidence to demonstrate how you are meeting the Standards Sign the contract provided by CPI to confirm the organisation is working in line with the RRN Standards Pay the affiliation fee. The ACT fee is charged by ACT but is being collected on their behalf by CPI. ACT will provide your affiliation certificate (via CPI) for you to display in your establishment
10	When should I start the affiliation process?	You should start the process as soon as possible once you have decided to have certified instructors within your organisation.
11	How long does affiliation last for?	12-months. The ACT fee is required on an annual basis. There is also a requirement for the self assessment to to be updated annually.
12	What happens if we don't become affiliated or I do not maintain my affiliation?	Affiliation is the demonstration that the organisation is following best practice. Failure to be affiliated could mean you may not be meeting the regulatory expectations, which in the event of an incident, may mean you do not have a reasonable defence with regard to your responsibilities to provide 'regulated services that are safe'. Please refer to the following link which will explain this in more detail and give you access to reports published by CQC: https://www.crisisprevention.com/en-gb/Blog/lack-of-improvement-in-reducing-restraint

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