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The Occupational English Test (OET) opens a new test venue in Northern Ireland with Foyle International.

OET, the English language test for healthcare professionals, will be available at the new venue from 7 December 2019.

OET (the Occupational English Test) is an Australian-developed English language test that assesses the language proficiency of healthcare professionals. It provides assessment of all four language skills – listening, reading, writing and speaking – through test material designed to reflect real healthcare scenarios.

Paul Murray, Director of Foyle International said: "We at Foyle International are delighted to be the first OET centre in the north of Ireland.

Having specialised in medical English for over 20 years, Foyle will work closely with the new OSCE 2 centre located at Magee Campus, Ulster University to increase the number of international doctors and nurses qualifying in the North West region as healthcare professionals and grow Derry as an international medical hub.

Thank you to all our staff and associates for their hard work in bringing this project to fruition."

OET COO, Richard Brown, said "We are committed to meeting the increasing demand for OET within the UK and are pleased to be partnering with Foyle International to open our first Test venue in Northern Ireland."

About OET

OET is an international English language test that assesses the language communication skills of healthcare professionals who seek to register and practise in an English-speaking environment.

OET results are accepted by healthcare regulators in the UK, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand, Dubai, Namibia, Singapore and Ukraine as proof of English language proficiency. The test is also recognised in Australia and New Zealand for visa and immigration purposes.

Available at more than 143 venues in 42 countries, OET is owned by Cambridge Boxhill Language Assessment, a venture between Cambridge Assessment English and Box Hill Institute, Australia. For more information visit <http://www.occupationalenglishtest.org>.

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