

Health Professions Council – 11 September 2008

Committee membership

Executive summary and recommendations

Introduction

The Council held elections in four constituencies in July 2008. The outcome of the elections was that two new members were elected to Council and two members were re-elected.

New members are expected to join at least one committee of Council. The usual process is that new members are appointed to the vacancy which the resignation of the previous member created.

Stephen Wordsworth has replaced Simon Taylor as the Operating Department Practitioner member on the Council. Simon Taylor was a member of the Registrations Committee and the Investigating Committee.

The Registrations Committee no longer exists and there is currently no vacancy on the Investigating Committee. The President and the Secretary to the Council considered the membership of all other committees and as a result of this the President has proposed that Stephen Wordsworth should become a member of the Communications Committee as there is a vacancy on that Committee.

Jeff Seneviratne has replaced Christopher Green as the Clinical Scientist member on the Council. Christopher Green was a member of the Education and Training Committee and the Registrations Committee.

In the absence of a Clinical Scientist member on the Education and Training Committee following Christopher Green's resignation Daisy Haggerty, alternate Clinical Scientist member, was appointed to the Committee.

Having considered Jeff's skills and experience the President has proposed that Jeff should be appointed to the Education and Training Committee. The standing orders for the Education and Training Committee state that 'the members shall include at least one member from each Part of the Register and the number of members from each part must be equal'. Therefore, as it is only possible to have one Clinical Scientist on the Education and Training Committee, Daisy Haggerty has agreed to step down from this Committee.

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Decision

The Council is asked to agree the appointment of Mr Stephen Wordsworth to the Communications Committee and Mr Jeff Seneviratne to the Education and Training Committee.

Background information

In July 2005 Council agreed a process for the appointment of members to the Education and Training Committee. This process has been followed for the appointment of Jeff Seneviratne.

Resource implications

none

Financial implications

none

Appendices

none

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