

## **Health Professions Council 17 September 2010**

### **Code of Conduct**

#### **Executive summary and recommendations**

#### **Introduction**

1. The application pack circulated to all prospective members in Spring 2009 stated that there was an expectation that Council members demonstrated “high standards of corporate and personal conduct, including impartiality, objectivity and integrity in the implementation of the role and responsibilities”. To that end, appointments were offered on the understanding that members subscribed to the Council’s Code of Conduct.
2. Whilst members were provided with copies of the Code of Conduct on their appointment, they were not required to formally subscribe to the Code.
3. At the meeting of Council in July 2010, the suggestion was made that members reaffirm their commitment to the Code on an annual basis. In order to provide a mechanism to do this, a declaration has been drafted and is appended to this paper at appendix A.

#### **Proposal**

4. Appendix A shows the proposed declaration form. Members are asked to agree the content of the declaration form.

#### **Decision**

5. Council is asked to approve the declaration form at appendix A.

**Code of Conduct: Declaration**

I ..... being a member of the Health Professions Council / the Education and Training Committee of the Health Professions Council (\*delete as appropriate) declare that I will fulfil the requirements of this role according to the best of my judgement and ability and demonstrating a commitment to and understanding of, the value and importance of the seven principles of public life as set out by the Committee on Standards in Public Life.

As a member, I undertake to observe the Health Professions Council's Code of Conduct.

Signed..... Dated.....