

Health Professions Council – 20 October 2011

Actions list

Executive summary and recommendations

Introduction

Below is the action list as agreed at the last public meeting of the Council held on 22 September 2011.

	Action point (and location in minutes)	Action for	Comment
1	<p>Item 8.11/145 Chief Executive’s report (report ref:- HPC 104/11) (Discussion re length of time for FtP cases to be concluded)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that based on the processes in place, the minimum time for a case to be concluded was 11 months. However, this was on the basis of all parties responding within the timeframes and no delaying tactics being adopted. A suggestion was made that Council receive a presentation on the process. Council members were keen to emphasise the importance of dealing with cases as quickly as possible in the interests of public protection; 	Director of Fitness to Practise	Paper on today’s agenda re “Modern and efficient Fitness to Practise adjudication” which provides more detail on the process.
2.	<p>Item 9.11/146 Establishing voluntary registers and making recommendations for statutory regulation (report ref:-HPC 105/11)</p> <p>(ii) that further consideration be given to those suggestions that arose during the course of discussion also detailed above.</p>	Director of Policy and Standards	Ongoing
3.	<p>Item 11.11/148 Reports of the Health Committee annual accountability hearings of the General Medical Council and the Nursing and Midwifery Council (report ref:- HPC 107/11)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council noted that a paper would be considered by Council at their next meeting in October relative to the separation of the adjudication function from the case management function; 	Director of Fitness to Practise	On today’s agenda

4.	<p>Item 11.11/148 Reports of the Health Committee annual accountability hearings of the General Medical Council and the Nursing and Midwifery Council (report ref:- HPC 107/11)</p> <p>11.4 The Council noted that the paper identified the following actions for HPC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Executive would ensure that the themes relating to revalidation in the Health Committee's conclusions and recommendations would be included in the report to the Council on revalidation currently planned in December 2011 or February 2012; • the Executive would continue to engage in the European Commission's review of the Professional Qualifications Directive and update the Council as appropriate; • the issue of reporting concerns about poor practice should be considered in the next review of the Standards of Conduct, Performance and Ethics. The Executive planned to bring a proposal for this work to the Council in May 2012; and • the Executive would produce a paper looking at the HPC's existing approach to demographic data collection and present this to the Council in 2012/2013, as part of a review of HPC's current work on equality and diversity. 	Director of Policy and Standards	Ongoing
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Decision

The Council is requested to note the actions. No decision is required.

Background information

Public Minutes of the Council meeting held on 22 September 2011.

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Background papers

None

Appendices

None

Date of paper

10 October 2011