

ATTENDANCE ALLOWANCES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

INTRODUCTION

The following is the relevant minute from the meeting held on 24th June 2004:

69.2 *It was AGREED that there should be no payment for preparation time at present but that the allowance itself should be reviewed. It was agreed that an analysis of rates payable by similar bodies be prepared and our rates benchmarked against it. If the Committee then felt a change was necessary in the basic allowance, recommendation would then be made to Council. The Committee asked for the information to be available for the September meeting.*

An analysis has been undertaken of rates paid by the other regulators whose work comes under review by the Council for Healthcare Regulatory Excellence (CHRE), formerly CRHP.

DECISION

The Committee is asked to consider:

whether any changes to attendance allowance rates should be made now or at the start of the next financial year

and

to confirm that the decision not to pay for preparation time should stand.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

At the request of the President, the registrants' annual fees are shown for information purposes.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

None

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Any uplift of fees would impact on the relevant budget year.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

See attached schedule

APPENDICES

None

HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL

ANALYSIS OF ATTENDANCE ALLOWANCES PAID BY SIMILAR REGULATORS

September 2004

		Health Professions Council £	General Chiropractic Council £	General Dental Council £	General Medical Council £	General Optical Council £	General Osteopathic Council £	Nursing and Midwifery Council £	Pharmaceutical Society of Northern Ireland £	Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain £
					Not received				Not received	
Annual registration fee paid by registrants	Per year	60	1,000	388		135	750	43		205
Council Members' attendance allowances - rate for preparation time	Per day	260 0	275 0	306 0		250 0	250 0	260 0		160 0
Partners' attendance allowances - rate for preparation time	Per day	130 0	n/a n/a	306 0		250 0	n/a n/a	260 0		160 0
Panel members' attendance allowances - rate for preparation time	Per day	130 0	275 0	306 up to 306		250 0	n/a n/a	260 0		160 0
Registrant assessors (usually at home) - attendance allowance rate (e.g. for training)	Per case Per day	65 130	n/a n/a	n/a 306		n/a n/a	30 per hour 0	n/a n/a		160 per day 160
Legal assessors' attendance allowances - rate for preparation time	Per day Per day	530 0	580 130	605 302		530 0	480 0	500 - 600 0		160* 0
Medical assessors' attendance allowances - rate for preparation time	Per day Per hour	530 0	560 85	411 0		n/a n/a	Up to 480 0	Up to 477.50 0		160* 0

* Higher for
specialist
knowledge