

Executive Summary and Recommendations – Decisions of the Investigating Committee

Introduction

At its meeting on 15th April 2004 the Investigating Committee discussed whether the Investigating Panel's reason for arriving at a decision that there was a case to answer should be referred to the receiving committee. The Committee felt that these reasons may be of assistance. The Committee also referred to Article 24(3)(b) of the Health Professions Order 2001.

Article 24 of the Health Professions Orders refer to the supplementary provisions for Screeners and Article 24(3)(b) of the HPO states that *if in their opinion such power is given, of referring the matter together with a report of the result of their consideration to such a Practice Committee as they see fit.*'

The provision does not relate to the decisions of the Investigating Panel.

However, it is the role of the Investigating Panel to determine whether they feel there is a case to answer and the reasons they reach for this decision are used when drafting the notice of allegation. The receiving panel is therefore aware of the reasons why the Investigating Panel has reached a decision.

Decision

This paper is for information only. No decision is required.

Background information

None

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Background papers

Minutes of the meeting of the Investigating Committee on 15.04.2004

Appendices

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