

Health and Care Professions Council – 18 September 2012

Reports from Council representatives at external meetings

Executive Summary and Recommendations

Introduction

The following feedback forms have been received from Council Members reporting back from meetings at which they represented the HCPC:

Arun Midha - NHS Wales Awards 2012

John Donaghy – Meeting of the Joint Royal College Ambulance Service Liaison Committee (JRCALC)

Pradeep Agrawal - Informal meeting with the President and CEO of IBMS

Decision

The Council is requested to note the documents.

Background information

None

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

The cost for attendance at conferences/meetings has been incorporated into the Council annual budget.

Background papers

None

Appendices

Copies of feedback forms

Date of paper

29 August 2012

Name of Council Member	Arun Midha
Title of event	NHS Wales Awards 2012
Date of event	4th July 2012
Approximate attendance at event	180 +
Issues of Relevance to HPC	
<p>This is a significant day in the NHS Wales calendar which is co-hosted by the Welsh NHS Confederation, Welsh Government and NLIAH (National Leadership and Innovation Agency). The day recognised good practice within the NHS and provided learning material to support the training and development of NHS Staff in Wales. The shortlisted entries for the award appear on Goodpracticewales.com. Key note speakers included the Minister for Health and Social Services and Director General Health and Social Services.</p> <p>Apart from the Awards ceremony there was opportunity for delegates to attend workshops led by representatives of the shortlisted submissions. One that I attended involved the category: 'Citizens at the centre of service redesign and delivery. Specifically, this had a presentation and discussion on 'Promoting best practice and meaningful service user participation in Health Professional Training'. The project chosen involved Psychologist training where it had achieved approval from HPC in 2010.</p> <p>The opportunity presented itself also to talk to other delegates in the informal session on a Governance framework for the development of health and social care support worker roles</p>	
Key Decisions Taken	

Name of Council Member	John Donaghy
Title of Conference/Meeting	Joint Royal College Ambulance Service Liaison Committee (JRCALC)
Date of Conference	Thursday July 12 th
Approximate number of people at the conference/meeting	16
Issues of Relevance to HPC	
<p>No direct issues concerning the HCPC, although as always, JRCALC members are very appreciative and interested in current developments at the HCPC, along with those which may impact/influence paramedic practice or pre-hospital care.</p> <p>Currently JRCALC are the advisory group, in consultation with the Professional Body, the College of Paramedics (COP) and Ambulance Trusts, responsible for the development of the National Clinical Guidelines used by most, if not all, UK NHS Ambulance Trusts and Paramedics. As such issues such as those of prescribing rights are often discussed at these meetings.</p> <p>However, no contentious issues were raised on this occasion.</p>	
Key Decisions Taken	
None	

Name of Council Member	Pradeep Agrawal
Title of event	Informal meeting with the President and CEO of IBMS
Date of event	7 th August 2012
Approximate attendance at event	N/A
Issues of Relevance to HCPC	
<p>This informal meeting was requested by the President and CEO of IBMS to discuss changes within the regulatory processes, being consulted upon, impacting Biomedical Scientists.</p> <p>The following topics were discussed:</p> <p>1. Modernising Scientific Careers. As per DOH policy IBMS has developed and implemented new training programmes and introduced two new staff groups to IBMS membership register (from July 2012) - Registered Science Technician (RSciTech) and Registered Scientist (RSci). These positions are approved (under licence) by Science Council for practitioners in Science. They will fit within a/c band 2-4. IBMS agreed that further work is required to remove confusion in the use of the word 'registered'.</p> <p>2. HCPC register for voluntary registration I confirmed that this subject is currently being discussed in Council – no decision has been taken. The following issues are under consideration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. relationship with statutory regulation b. enforcement on FTP/witness call c. finance d. CHRE (PSA) <p>3. HCPC standards of Proficiency for BMS Consultation on this document will commence in 2013. IBMS suggested that they may wish to bounce 'ideas' informally with me.</p>	
Key Decisions Taken	
<p>IBMS confirmed that they meet HCPC executive including Chair and CEO formally on an annual basis.</p> <p>IBMS have asked me to join their council meetings to exchange relevant information which would assist collaborative working on projects e.g. modernising scientific careers; standards of proficiency, etc</p>	