

**Agenda Item 17**

**Enclosure 16**

**Paper ETC 113 / 03**

## **Education and Training Committee**

**COMMUNICATION SKILLS TRAINING IN  
PRE-REGISTRATION AND UNDERGRADUATE  
EDUCATION**

**from the Secretary**

**for information**

## **Executive Summary**

In August 2003 the Department of Health, Universities UK, General Medical Council, Nursing and Midwifery Council and HPC issued guidance on communication skills to those commissioning, delivering and approving pre-registration education and training.

This is the completion of work which originated with the recommendations of the Kennedy Report on the Bristol Royal Infirmary. The guidance is consistent with both the Quality Assurance Agency's Subject Benchmarks and with the HPC's Standards of Proficiency. It will be remitted to the Standards of Education and Training Professional Liaison Group.