Health Professions Council Approvals Panel – 10 October 2006

HPC ANNUAL MONITORING AUDITS FOR APPROVAL (2)

Executive Summary and Recommendations

1. Introduction

The HPC Annual Monitoring cycle takes place annually and involves two types of monitoring submissions over a two year period. We have split UK education providers into two groups, Group A and Group B. All HPC approved programmes fall into either group A or B under the validating body for the award.

In 2006, all programmes in Group B need to complete the audit form and submit it with their internal quality reports and external examiners' reports from the last two academic years.

Five assessment days were held in May & June 2006 to consider the submissions from programmes in Group B. As a result of these assessment days, Visitors have made the recommendation that the programmes listed below have undergone a major change and an Approvals visit is requested to assess whether the programmes continue to meet the Standards of Education and Training and that upon successful completion, students continue to meet the Standards of proficiency. Audit forms & Visitors' Reports may be seen upon request.

This paper is asking the Approvals Panel to accept the Visitors' recommendations and agree that those programmes listed below should be visited by the HPC in the next academic year.

Education Provider	Programme Title
Queen Margaret University College	BSc(Hons) Speech & Language Therapy
Queen Margaret University College	BSc(Hons) Speech Pathology & Therapy
Queen Margaret University College	Graduate Diploma Speech & Language
	Therapy

2. Decision

The Committee is asked to agree that the above named programmes have undergone major change and that an Approvals visit is required to assess whether the programmes continue to meet the HPC Standards of Education and Training and that upon successful completion, students continue to meet the Standards of Proficiency

3. Background information

None

4. Resource implications

There are no resource implications.

5. Financial implications

There are no financial implications.

6. Background papers

None

7. Appendices

None

8. Date of Paper

28 September 2006

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