Health Professions Council Communications Committee 27th February 2007

Joint UK Health and Social Care Regulators PPI Group Developing workplan

Executive Summary and Recommendations

Introduction

The HPC is a member of the Joint UK Health and Social Care Regulators Patient and Public Involvement Group which is made up of all the UK health and social care regulators, including NMC, GDC, GOC and GMC.

The Group was established in January 2005, usually meets four times a year, and is made up of a staff member and a lay Council member of each regulator. It aims to share good practice and information amongst the regulators, but also undertakes specific project work. It is funded by the regulators, proportionately, based on annual income.

Decision

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

Background information

The attached paper is the Group's shared work plan. It is updated for each meeting and lists the projects that are being undertaken and their status. The HPC actively participates in this Group and has been involved in a range of projects initiated by the group.

Particular projects that have been progressed include the production of a joint UK health and social care regulators' patient information leaflet, the good PPI practice handbook for staff and members, a standard page on all regulators' websites with links to each other regulator and access to the joint information leaflet, the introduction of a series of seminars, involving the public, relevant staff and members, to consider PPI issues relevant to our work and the research project to establish how health and social care registers could be made more usable and meaningful to the public.

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Appendices

Joint UK Health and Social Care Regulators' Public and Patient Involvement Group: Developing work plan

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