

FITNESS TO PRACTISE – Kelly Johnson

Striking Off Order James Heggie (Biomedical Scientist) 28 th June 2004	Suspension Order Mr John Stuart (Physiotherapist) 16 th June 2004 Gaynor McAlliser (Occupational Therapist) 17 th June 2004 Mr Frank Attwater (Physiotherapist) 4 th August 2004	Conditions of Practise Order Caution Order No Further Action Restoration	<p>Daniel Kings (Dietitian) 3rd September 2004 Susan Harbottle (Physiotherapist) 7th September 2004 Fiona Drew (Physiotherapist) 8th September 2004</p> <p>Mrs Barbara Bargh (Radiographer) – 28th July 2004 Miss Lisa Bynon (Occupational Therapist) 6th September 2004</p> <p>Mr Geoffrey Fitzgerald (Radiographer)– 24th August 2004 Miss Joanne Richardson (Chiropodist) – 24th August 2004</p> <p>An application by Mr Peter Jellett was allowed on 26th August 2004</p> <p>A review of a Conditions of Practise order took place on 23rd July 2004.</p>
Unfounded Cases Investigating Committee Conduct and Competence Committee Health Committee Interim Orders Review	<p>One Case was unfounded</p> <p>Since the last meeting of the Conduct and Competence Committee, panels of the Investigating Committee have considered 65 cases and found there was a case to answer in 24 cases. They requested further information in 10 cases. There are currently 30 cases awaiting consideration by a panel of the Investigating Committee</p> <p>There are currently 60 cases within the remit of the Conduct and Competence Committee. This number includes 14 cases where a review of either the suspension order or conditions of practise order needs to take place. Dates for 20 full cases and 3 review cases are fixed.</p> <p>There are currently 10 cases within the remit of the Health Committee. This number includes 3 cases which require a review hearing. Of these cases dates for 2 have been set.</p> <p>Since the last meeting of the Conduct and Competence Committee, applications for interim orders have been considered in 4 cases. 2 interim orders have been granted</p>		

Registration Appeals

There are currently 277 active registration appeal cases. In September 33 cases were heard by Registration Appeals Panels. Dates for a further 64 appeals cases have been arranged

Resources

An international registration officer is currently assisting the Fitness to Practise team on a secondment basis

A new case manager has been appointed and has been in post since 23rd August 2004

A team administrator has been appointed and will be joining the team on 25th October 2004

Panel Training

Further two day training sessions have been arranged for 25th and 26th October 2004 and 2nd and 3rd December 2004 where all remaining partners (including ODP's) will be trained. Council Members who have not yet attended a session will also be invited. The statistics for Panel Members used and trained is attached.

Legal Assessors

A review day for legal assessors will take place on 24th November 2004. Feedback from this session will be made available to fitness to practise committees.

Other Information

The team has been reviewing the way FTP/Registration Appeal panels are run and has introduced new systems.
A new filing system has been implemented in the FTP department.

The FTP team are working with the IT department to create a tracking system for FTP cases.

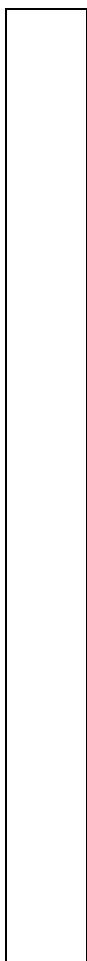
Following a review of the FTP/Registration appeals processes, all standard letters have been redrafted and new practice notes have been drafted and will be submitted to committee's and council for approval.

The team are also working on creating brochures for the FTP processes and will be working towards creating a witness support programme.

The team attended the partner conference and was responsible for two break out sessions

A member of the team attends an FTP forum at CRHE once a month where fitness to practise representatives from the other 8 health care regulators also attend. One FTP case has been referred to the High Court by CRHP and the outcome of this will be made available to the Committee

We are also continually mapping our processes. The latest documents are attached.



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