HEALTH PROFESSIONS COUNCIL

Allegations

Article 22(5) of the Health Professions Order 2001 requires the Council., where it receives an allegation against a health professional, to refer it as soon as reasonably practicable to the Investigating Committee, Screeners or the Conduct and Competence or Health Committee.

As members will appreciate, this task is not one which it is feasible for the Council as a whole to perform.

As the Registrar receives all allegations and checks them, in order to verify that the allegation does concern an HPC registrant, it is suggested that the Council's function under article 22(50 is delegated to the Registrar, subject to him reporting on the exercise of that function to the Council.

If members support this proposal the Council is asked to agree the following resolution:

RESOLVED that the function of the Council under Article 22(5) of the Health Professions Order 2001 be delegated to the Registrar SUBJECT TO The Registrar reporting to the Council from time to time on the exercise of that function.

Jonathan Bracken 20th March 2002