

Health Professions Council

Education and Training Committee Panel

Programmes in respect of which approval/ongoing approval is recommended subject to conditions, where the education provider has made observations on the visitors' report

Name of programme	IHCD Paramedic Award
Name of education provider	Scottish Ambulance College
Mode of delivery	Full time
Date of decision	2 December 2008

Panel :
Pam Sabine, Chair
Karen Bryan
John Harper
Eileen Thornton
Neil Willis

Guidance for Panel Chairs

In determining whether to accept a Visitors' report (including the conditions and recommendations in the report), the Panel must reach its decision on the basis of the evidence put before it, in the form of the HPC Visitors' report and any observations on the report made by the education provider.

The Visitors' report is only a recommendation and the Panel may depart from that recommendation where it is satisfied that it is appropriate to do so.

The Panel must reach its own decision and give reasons for that decision. If the Panel wishes to amend the report, it should give reasons for each amendment.

Decision:

1. The Visitors' report should be amended as follows:

The documentation deadline for the conditions should be 27 March 2009.

Reasons

1. The Panel was satisfied that the conditions in the Visitors' report must be met before ongoing approval of the programme can be confirmed. The Panel accepted that a longer deadline to meet the conditions was necessary to provide the education provider with sufficient time to consider the most effective way to respond to the conditions, including the appointment of an external examiner and reviewing the practice placement arrangements. The Panel is satisfied that the programme has previously been approved by the HPC and that there is no evidence that individuals who have previously completed the programme are unfit to practise.

Signed: Pam Sabine (Chairman of the Panel)