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	East Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Mode of delivery	Full Time and Part Time
Date of decision	30 October 2008

Panel: Neil Willis, Chair

John Donaghy Christine Farrell Tony Hazell Carol Lloyd

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 5 January 2009.

Reasons

1. The Panel noted that the meeting of the Panel held on 25 September 2008 had agreed that the Executive should negotiate with the education provider to a deadline for the conditions in the Visitors' report. The Panel was satisfied that it would be reasonable to agree to the education provider's request for a deadline of 5 January 2009. The Panel also felt that a longer deadline to meet these conditions would provide the education provider with sufficient time to collaborate with practice placement providers and the relevant higher education institution. The Panel agreed that this would also be consistent with previous Panel decisions, take account of issues faced by ambulance trusts during their re-organisation and the Christmas and New Year holidays.

Signed: Neil Willis (Chairman of the Panel)