

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	London Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Mode of delivery	Block release
Date of decision	10 February 2009

Panel :
Diane Waller, Chair
Helen Davis
Christine Farrell
Barbara Stuart

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:
<p>(1) The condition against SET 2.2.2 should remain in the Visitors' report.</p> <p>(2) The deadline for conditions should be extended until 31 March 2009.</p>

Reasons

(1) The Panel agreed that student paramedics would be exposed to situations where an enhanced criminal records check would be necessary, as it cannot be guaranteed that student paramedics would always be in sight of their supervisor.

(2) The Panel was satisfied that the programme has previously been approved by the HPC and that there was no evidence that individuals who had previously completed the programme were unfit to practise. The Panel was therefore satisfied that the nature of the conditions to be met in March 2009 posed a minimal risk to the protection of the public.

Signed: Diane Waller (Chairman of the Panel)

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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
Name of education provider	West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust
Mode of delivery	Full time
Date of decision	10 February 2009

Panel :
Diane Waller, Chair
Helen Davis
John Donaghy
Christine Farrell
Barbara Stuart

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Decision:
The Visitors' report should be amended as follows: The deadline for the education provider to meet the conditions should be extended to 1 October 2009.

Reasons

The Panel was satisfied that the programme had previously been approved by the HPC and that there was no evidence that individuals who had previously completed the programme were unfit to practise. The Panel was therefore satisfied that the nature of the conditions to be met in October 2009 posed a minimal risk to the protection of the public.

Signed: Diane Waller (Chairman of the Panel)