Agenda Item 7

Enclosure 5

Paper 5HPC/FRC5/01

The Health Professions Council Finance & Resources Committee Meeting

Report from Digital Steps (IT Consultants)

A presentation will take place appraising the Committee of work to date and the work now to be undertaken Smarter Software™



HPC Review

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HPC Current Status

- Focussed, committed, energetic staff
 - Succeeding despite current systems
- IT systems won't scale
 - Second shift costs
 - Inflexible
 - Lack of integration
 - Unsuitable as foundation for future



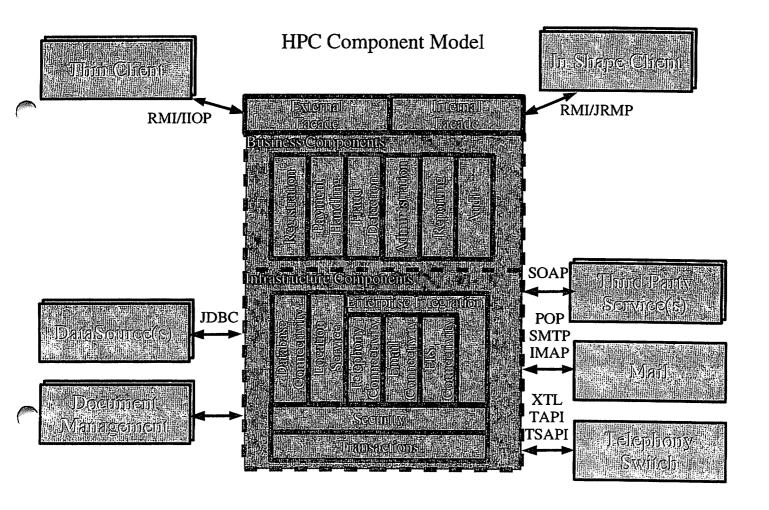
HPC Future

- New challenges and opportunities
 - Extension of regulation to new groups
 - Quality service without increasing staff numbers
- Extended responsibilities
 - Links to CPD
 - Protection of professional titles
- Focus on adding value
- Serving an expanded community



A New Vision

- IT that meets the business needs
 - Current system reviewed
 - Requirements captured in the form of use cases
- Web-enabled end-to-end
 - Single database
 - Single system entry-point for all users
 - Driving the user community on-line
 - Linking, integrating, simplifying, accelerating





Risk Management

- Need to select a vendor to deliver the vision
 - "Find a good supplier and avoid off the shelf packages"
 - Partnership is key, trust essential
- Build incrementally, using components
- Avoid big bang deliveries
- Architect for change

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Questions?

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