'Becoming a health professional' Executive Summary and Recommendations

Introduction

Attached is the first draft of the document 'Becoming a health professional'. Further to the last meeting of the PLG, the group agreed to look at a first draft of this document at this meeting, and then to consider a second draft in its last meeting in June.

Decision

The professional liaison group is asked to review the attached document, and to discuss:

- ways in which it could be improved; and
- any information that is missing.

In particular, the PLG's attention is drawn to the following issues:

The 'acknowledgements' section

It is suggested that having information about how the document was produced, and the people who were involved, will add to the document as it will show that HPC gained input from other organisations and sectors.

However, are members of the group happy to have their names on the document?

• Language

The term 'disabled people' has been used throughout in preference to 'people with disabilities', following an informal recommendation from Dianne Keetch during the training she delivered for HPC staff.

Are the group happy with this term? Are there any other language issues raised by the document?

• 'Other organisations' section

The 'other organisations' section is currently reasonably sparse. Are there other organisations that the group would like to draw readers' attention to?

The glossary

Are there any other terms that need to be added to the glossary?

Members of the PLG are also asked to take this draft back to their organisations / colleagues if appropriate, to ask for their input.

PLG members can make written notes if they wish to, and hand these in to the Policy Manager after the discussion at the meeting.

Background information

None.

Resource implications

None

Financial implications

None

Background papers

None

Appendices

The attached full text of 'Becoming a health professional'.

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