Standards of Proficiency – PLG 19th June 2006 Work plan

Executive Summary and Recommendations

Introduction					
The workplan for the review is attached.					
Decision					
The PLG is invited to note the document. No decision is required.					
Background information					
None					
Resource implications					
None					
Financial implications					
None					
Background papers					
None					
Appendices					
None					
Date of paper					
9 th May 2006					

Status Draft DD: None

Revised Work plan

1) First Meeting – 12th October 2005

At this meeting the PLG considered:

- An initial workplan for the review
- The standards of other regulators
- The legal framework for the standards
- Questionnaires for registration assessors, visitors and professional bodies
- Presentations from research organisations

2) Second Meeting – 24th January 2006

At this meeting the PLG considered:

- Skills for Health National occupational standards
- QAA Subject benchmark statements
- Competence standards and the disability discrimination act
- Registration assessors' questionnaires
- Review of competence cases
- Scope of practice (including draft revision of introduction)

3) Third meeting – 7th March 2006

The group will consider:

- Presentation from Opinion Leader Research (oral)
- The standards and language
- The relationship between HPC's standards
- Summary of feedback from the previous meeting
- New draft of introduction
- Visitors' questionnaires
- Panel chairs' feedback
- Professional bodies' feedback (and generic standards)

4) Fourth Meeting – 25th April 2006

The group considered:

- Full written report from Opinion Leader Research (to note)
- Common statement of purpose Quality Assurance Agency (to note; on request of ETC)
- "Reference papers" (to note; reproduced from previous meetings)
- Introduction to the standards (to note)
- Paper from Jonathan Bracken, Legal Advisor to the Council (for discussion)
- Education providers' questionnaires (for discussion)

 2 x sets of draft generic standards; 12 x sets of draft profession-specific standards (for discussion)

5) Fifth Meeting – 19th June 2006

The group will consider:

- Second draft of new generic and profession-specific standards incorporating comments from last meeting.
- Final draft of introduction.

The group will finalise its recommendations to Council.

6) Following the last meeting of the PLG

The Executive will:

- Thank the Professional bodies for their input and update them with the progress of the review
- Check the standards thoroughly to avoid errors or inconsistencies noted in the existing standards
- Produce a draft of the consultation document and circulate this electronically to PLG members for comments (if possible, prior to Council paper deadline).

6) Council Meeting – 6th July 2006

• Recommendations considered by Council for discussion/approval.

7) Three month public consultation

- $8) \ Consultations \ responses document and standards considered by Council for discussion/approval.$
- 9) Publication of new standards

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