

Decision summary from Meeting on 6 October 2016

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<p>Influence of previous interim orders of suspension on substantive orders</p>	<p>Noted the recent High Court judgment which examined the issue as part of an appeal against a decision by the General Pharmaceutical Council, and which contained a robust rationale for why an interim order should have no influence on the substantive order imposed.</p> <p>Approved the intention not to consider further the proposal to allow an interim order of suspension to be taken into account by tribunals considering the imposition of a substantive suspension.</p>
<p>Amending the Certificate of Current Professional Status template</p>	<p>agreed that the GMC would adopt the revised Certificate of Current Professional Status template.</p>
<p>Confidentiality guidance</p>	<p>Noted the summary of consultation activities and the summary of consultation outcomes.</p> <p>Approved the text of the guidance Confidentiality and the five explanatory statements.</p> <p>Agreed that the guidance would be brought to Council consider the guidance at its closed session on 9 November and to be asked to approve publication at its meeting on 14 December 2016.</p>
<p>Guidance for decision makers on assessing the impact of health in conduct and</p>	<p>Approved the <i>Guidance for decision makers on assessing the impact of health in</i></p>

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conviction or caution cases	<i>conduct and conviction or caution cases.</i>
Managing communications with vulnerable doctors	<p>Consider the overlap between the work arising from the current vulnerable doctors project and the Appleby proposals.</p> <p>Agreed the preferred Option 1 to pause the current vulnerable doctors project work and expand the scope of the work to implement the Appleby proposals to include correspondence with all doctors who are particularly vulnerable as well as those who are subject to investigation by the GMC.</p>
Amendments to the Guide for Doctors to the General Medical Council (Licence to Practise and Revalidation) Regulations 2012	Noted a report on the changes made to the <i>Guide for doctors: Revalidation and maintaining your licence.</i>
Report from the Assessment Advisory Board	Update only, no decisions required.
Organisational policy development cycle	Update only, no decisions required.
Quality Scrutiny Group annual report	Update only, no decisions required.
Guidance for tribunal members on deciding the facts of a case where the doctor whose fitness to practise is in doubt has raised concerns locally	Noted a report on updated guidance which had been developed for tribunal members on the approach to take when deciding the facts of a case where the doctor involved has raised public interest concerns locally.